Circleville Church

of North Huntingdon, PA



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Worship Services: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor August 17, 2025

Our mission is to share Christ with the world through worship, service and witness.

THE CONFIDENT DECLARATION OF THE DIVINE EXCHANGE

1. Jesus was punished... ... that I am forgiven. (Isaiah 53:5) 2. Jesus was wounded... ... that I am healed. (Isaiah 53:5) 3. Jesus was made sin with our sinfulness... ... that I have been made righteous with His righteousness (2 Corinthians 5:21, Philippians 3:9) 4. Jesus died our death... ... that we share His life (Hebrews 2:9, John 10:10) **5.** Jesus was made a curse... ... that I have entered into spiritual blessings (Galatians 3:13) 6. Jesus became poor on our behalf... ... that I have become rich (2 Corinthians 8:9, John 10:10) 7. Jesus bore our shame... ... that I share His glory (Hebrews 12:2) 8. Jesus endured our rejection... ... that I have His acceptance (Ephesians 1:5-6) 9. Our old self died in Jesus... ... that I have become a new creation (Colossians 3:10)

Sunday, August 17, 2025

9:30 A.M. Worship Service

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude... "When I Survey the Cross" by Watts/Mason

Fred King, Jr., Accompanist

"Wondrous Love" by American Folk Hymn

Welcome and Announcements

John Simpson, Worship Leader

- * Passing of the Peace
- * Ringing of the Bells
- * Call to Worship:

Leader: Give ear, God of all people.

People: Stir up your strength and deliver us!

Leader: Once you rescued your children from bondage,

People: Now, set your people free.

Leader: Look down from heaven, God of hosts. **People: Turn to us anew and see us in our need.**

Leader: Restore us, God of Creation.

People: Let your face shine upon us.

Leader: May our suffering cease.

People: May all your children be saved.

* Holy Invocation

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

* Hymn of Praise #98 (Hymnal)

"To God Be the Glory"

Reception of New Members: Larry & Teena Foscoe and Cindy Gallik

Praises and Prayers

(The Lord's Prayer: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.)

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory... "Whiter Than Snow" by Nicholson/Fischer

* Offertory Response #95

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

Song of Invitation for Children #2233 (TFWS)

"Where Children Belong"

This, this is where children belong, Welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song This is where children belong.

Children's Message... "Slapstick Theater" (Saddleback Kids)

Brandon Dempsey

John's Letter About Love

Scripture... John 1:16-18 (Legacy Standard Bible)

John Simpson, Worship Leader

Message... "Embrace Grace"

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

* Hymn of Dedication #3106 (Worship & Song – green book)

"Your Grace Is Enough"

Memory Verses:

This Week: "For of His fullness [a] we have all received, and grace [b] upon grace. ¹⁷ For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained *Him.*" John 1:16-18 (Legacy Standard Bible)

Last Week: "Behold, how good and how pleasant *it is*. For brethren to dwell together in unity!" Psalm 133:1 (NKJV)

Ongoing Prayer Needs:	Greg Clark		
Kathy Irey	Cora Jean Qualey		
Jane Jancisin	Jessie Roycroft		
Joyce & Rick Frischolz	Bev Gorr		

Statistics: Attendance last Sunday: 9:30 a.m. 66; No Sunday School due to the picnic

Homebound: Mrs. Jane Jancisin, Westmoreland Manor, 2480 S. Grande Boulevard, Greensburg, PA 15601

^{*} Benediction

^{*} Postlude... "Wonderful Words of Life" by Bliss

Received August 10, 2025

General Fund	General Fund Budget		Status		
Last Week	\$ 3,367.00	\$ 2,140.00	-\$ 1,227.00		
Year-to-date	\$ 107,744.00	\$ 91,744.00	-\$ 16,000.00		
Building Fund	Budget	Received	Status		
Last Week	\$ 385.00	\$ 130.00	-\$ 255.00		
Year-to-date	\$ 12,320.00	\$ 29,190.00	+\$ 16,870.00		

This Week

Sunday	Reception of new members		
Monday	Prayer Group, 6:30 p.m.		
Friday	Head Start Open House		
Saturday	AA meeting, 8:00 p.m.		

Looking Ahead

August 25	Head Start kids are back for the school year.		
September 1	Labor Day office closed		
September 7	Service of Holy Communion		
September 14	Friends and Family Sunday		
	Hoagie orders are due. See the poster in the back of the bulletin.		
September 21	Delivery of hoagies		

Notes of Interest:

Please Note: We will be locking the front door around 9:45 a.m. on Sunday morning. If you need to leave and come back in, please let someone know so they can open the door for you.

Our Food Pantry needs the following: Shells & Cheese, soups (all kinds), Instant oatmeal (in packets), Chef Boyardee pastas, peanut butter and jelly, Pop-Tarts, Lipton Rice/Noodle mixes, Mandarin oranges, pineapple, regular & spaghetti noodles, Ramen noodles, regular boxes of cereal, tuna, gravy, spaghetti sauce, stuffing. Especially needed: canned potatoes, creamed corn, canned kernel corn, canned carrots, canned peas but please no green beans. We need canned fruit. Thank you to all who donated.

The September Change for Good will go to Dignity Robes. Dignity Robes is a church women's group at St. Andrew the Apostle Church in Donora. The ladies make special robes that are worn by breast cancer patients as they undergo radiation treatment. The money is to be used to buy fabric and to let the women know their ministry is making a difference.

TODAY'S THE DAY!

You have been hearing for months about Circleville's new ministry Embrace Grace. Today is the day we launch this ministry. At this time, we do not believe we will have any participants for the Embrace Life (Mom's after giving birth) and Embrace Legacy (Dad's) for the fall semester. They may still come but until they do, we will keep praying for God's direction and guidance for these ministries.

Embrace Grace (for the pregnant Moms) we have 1 girl signed up to participate! And we have 3 others who are still considering the ministry. Please show your support for all the groups when participants arrive! We need to let them know we accept both the Moms/Dads and their babies as part of the precious family of God here at Circleville.

They say it takes a village to raise a child - and likewise it takes a spirit-filled congregation to support an unplanned pregnancy family. God has touched the hearts of so many already. Many thanks go out to the following:

Embrace Grace Leaders - Phyllis Dempsey, Marion Petrovay

Embrace Life Leader - Ginny O'Rourke

Embrace Legacy Leaders - Jim McConville, John Simpson

Sunday School (for children of participants) - Nancy Goodish

Babysitting - Tara and Jessa Adkins

Prayer Team Leader - Nancy Zerbe

Refreshments and Snacks - Lori Dempsey and Maggie Geier

Baby Shower - Tyrone Zerbe, Renee Gabany, Maggie Geier

Love Box distribution - All members of Circleville Church!

Are you able to sign up for just 1 Sunday after church to stay 1 extra hour? We need volunteers for each week in September and each week in October to sit in the prayer room upstairs to pray for this ministry. Just 1 hour of time for the entire semester of ministry! Please consider this and sign up today in the Narthex for the day that best fits your schedule.

The support of this congregation for this ministry is amazing. At some point in the future I will share some of the unexpected things that have happened. Stay tuned.......

Band Meeting Questions

Each week Methodists would meet together in groups of three to five people of the same gender (known as bands), and ask each person the following four questions:

- 1. What known sins have you committed since our last meeting?
- 2. What temptations have you met with?
- 3. How were you delivered?
- 4. What have you thought, said, or done, of which you doubt whether it be sin or not?

Class Meeting Questions

They also had small group meetings so-called class meetings consisting of 12 people with a series of questions.

- 1. Am I consciously or unconsciously creating the impression that I am better than I am? In other words, am I a hypocrite?
- 2. Am I honest in all my acts and words, or do I exaggerate?
- 3. Do I confidentially pass onto another what was told me in confidence? Can I be trusted?
- 4. Am I a slave to dress, friends, work, or habits?
- 5. Am I self-conscious, self-pitying, or self-justifying?
- 6. Did the Bible live in me today?
- 7. Do I give it time to speak to me every day?
- 8. Am I enjoying prayer?
- 9. When did I last speak to someone about my faith?
- 10. Do I pray about the money I spend?
- 11. Do I get to bed on time and get up on time?
- 12. Do I disobey God in anything?
- 13. Do I insist upon doing something about which my conscience is uneasy?
- 14. Am I defeated in any part of my life?
- 15. Am I jealous, impure, critical, irritable, touchy or distrustful?
- 16. How do I spend my spare time?
- 17. Am I proud?
- 18. Do I thank God that I am not as other people, especially as the Pharisee who despised the publican?
- 19. Is there anyone whom I fear, dislike, disown, criticize, hold resentment toward or disregard? If so, what am I going to do about it?
- 20. Do I grumble and complain constantly?
- 21. Is Christ real to me?

Sermon Notes:

Scripture: John 1:16-18 – Legacy Standard Bible

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2. How does understanding that only God has the right to forgive change the way you view forgiving others?

3. How can our church be a safer, more welcoming place for those who feel hurt or judged?

4. In what ways can you personally participate in extending God's grace to vulnerable people in your community?

Message of Salvation

Are you saved?

Are you confident that you would go to heaven if you died at this moment? Here is the good news for you.

Everyone dies because of sin, and after that ...

You will die someday because of sin. You cannot avoid death, and death is not the end, but the beginning of an eternal life. What's important is where and how you will live eternally. With eternal happiness in heaven or eternal suffering in hell? If you deal with your sin, you can enter heaven and live there eternally. How?

Jesus Christ has redeemed your sin.

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came to this world and bore the cross shedding his blood to redeem your sin and triumphed in his resurrection. Through his sacrifice, Christ paid off your sin and purchased a place for you in heaven, which he offers as a free gift.

If you want for your sins to be forgiven and to be saved ...

- 1. Accept Christ's invitation by repenting your sins by asking, "Lord, I repent of all my sins. Please forgive all of my iniquities I have committed and lead me to your kingdom."
- 2. Confess, "Jesus Christ is my Savior," by praying,
 "Lord, I confess that You are my Savior who can deliver me from the eternal damnation
 of sin and death. Come into my heart and be my master for my entire life."
- 3. Rejoice, you are forgiven and given an eternal life without condemnation.
- 4. Congratulations! You become a child of God and a citizen of Heaven.

What's next?

- 1. Read the Bible, the Word of God, in which you will find Truth and Peace.
- 2. Join a local church where you will grow in faith.
- 3. Do good works as much as you can. Sharing God's love for others is a form of worship.

If you, having read this, trusted Jesus for eternal salvation, please let us know. We would like to help you to grow spiritually.

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