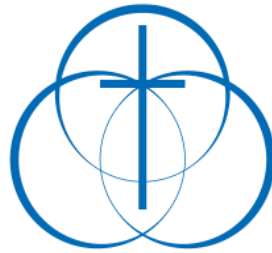


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Worship Services: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.

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December 14, 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)**

(*Please stand, if able)

Sunday, December 14, 2025

9:30 A.M. Worship Service

Third Sunday in Advent

Prelude... *"Woodland Peace"* by Grieg
"Now the Green Blade Riseth" by Paxton

Mary Jane Clark, Organist

Welcome and Announcements

Nancy Goodish, Worship Leader

* Passing of the Peace

* Ringing of the Bells

* Lighting of the Third Candle of Advent - Joy

Russell Verbanec

This morning we light three candles, the candle of Hope, Peace and Joy. This candle reminds us that we have reason to be joyful, even in the midst of strife. We remember that the angel proclaimed Christ's birth as "Good news of great joy to all people." We celebrate today with joyful hearts and commit ourselves to spreading that joy to the world around us.

* Call to Worship:

Leader: We gather today in great hope, longing to see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God.

People: The Almighty has done great things for us. Holy is God's name.

Leader: May our worship strengthen our hands, make firm our trembling knees, and unburden our fearful hearts.

People: The Almighty has done great things for us. Holy is God's name.

Leader: Knowing that God is near, let us be patient with the times and with one another.

People: The Almighty has done great things for us. Holy is God's name.

Leader: To all who ask about our hope, let us tell the good news of what we have seen and heard.

People: The Almighty has done great things for us. Holy is God's name.

* Holy Invocation

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* Hymn of Praise #240 vs. 1,2, & 3 (Hymnal)

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Recognition of Teachers

Praises and Prayers

Nancy Zerbe

(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... *"O Holy Child of Bethlehem"* by Wagner

* 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...Saddleback Kids' Videos

* Congregational Anthem #241 vs. 1,2,&6 (Hymnal)

"That Boy-Child of Mary"

Scripture... John 1:2-14(NKJV)

Nancy Goodish, Worship Leader

Message... *"True Joy"*

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

* Hymn of Dedication #2085 (The Faith We Sing)

"He Came Down"

* Postlude... *"Angels from the Realms of Glory"* by Smart

Memory Verses:

This Week: "He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made." John 1:2-3 (NKJV)

Last Week: "Glory to God in the highest, and earth peace, goodwill toward men!"
Luke 2:14 (NKJV)

Ongoing Prayer Needs:	Greg Clark	
Kathy Irey	Cora Jean Qualey	
Jane Jancisin	Jessie Roycroft	
Joyce & Rick Frischolz	Ginny O'Rourke	

Attendance last Sunday: 9:30 a.m. 58; Sunday School, 7

Homebound: Mrs. Cora Jean Qualey, Greensburg Nursing & Convalescent Center, 119
Industrial Park Road, Greensburg, PA 15601

Birthdays: December 15, Pastor Jun; December 16, Janis McCoy; December 17, Jim McConville, Ginny O'Rourke, Tom Weiser

Received December 7, 2025

General Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 3,367.00	\$ 2,760.00	-\$ 607.00
Year-to-date	\$ 164,983.00	\$ 137,002.00	-\$ 27, 981.00
Building Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 385.00	\$ 110.00	-\$ 275.00
Year-to-date	\$ 18,865.00	\$ 31,581.00	+\$ 12,716.00

This Week

Sunday	Third Sunday in Advent Friends and Family Sunday Teacher Recognition Sunday
Monday	Prayer Group, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday	Confirmation Class, 4:30 p.m. Church Council, 7:00 p.m. (Cancelled)
Saturday	Bible Reading on the Gospel of Luke, 10:00 a.m.-Noon AA, 8:00 p.m.

Looking Ahead:

December 21	Christmas play "What Makes This Baby So Special?", 9:30 a.m. Christmas party following the service. Please see the sign-up sheet and indicate how many are coming and what you will bring. Blue Christmas service, 7:00 p.m.
December 24	Christmas Eve service, 7:00 p.m.
December 25	Merry Christmas
December 26	Office closed

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.

Christmas Card Delivery – Once again we will have our in-church Christmas Card Delivery. For our new church members, you address your cards to members in the congregation and then the cards are hand delivered for .25 cents per card. A list of current members is provided on the table in the narthex. **Please note that we do not mail any of the cards.** We will start accepting cards on November 23rd. There will be a Christmas box to put your cards in.

You may include your donation with the cards, or you may place your donation in the offering plate in an envelope marked “Christmas Card Delivery” and your name. Checks can be made out to Circleville Church and mark in the memo line, “Christmas Cards.”

As we enter the Advent season, we invite you to join a special four-week Scripture reading program held on Saturday mornings (December 6, 13, 20, 27) from 10 am to noon. During this time, we will listen to and follow along with the four Gospels using an audio Bible, allowing God’s Word to speak deeply into our hearts.

Church Christmas party will be held on **Sunday, December 21, 2025** following the worship service. There is a sign-up sheet so you can indicate how many will be attending and what covered dish you will bring. The church will supply the chicken and the drinks. We will have games, and we are asking you to bring a \$10 grab-bag gift if you want to be part of the gift exchange. See the sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex.

The December newsletter is on the table in the narthex. Please sign your name when you take your copy.

Our Daily Bread for December, January and February is in the rack above the greeter’s stand. We have noticed that out of the 15 copies we ordered, only three or four copies have been taken. If there is not a better response for the next three months, we will discontinue ordering.

Thank you to everyone who donated to ChangeForGood for the devastation in Jamaica and Cuba. We collected \$276.00.

A big thank you to the Ladies’ Auxiliary of Larimer Fire Department for the \$400 check for the food pantry. The thank you note is on the bulletin board, thanking us for all we do for the community.

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:

John 1:2-14 (NKJV)

² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. ⁴ In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵ And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

⁶ There was a man sent from God, whose name *was* John. ⁷ This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. ⁸ He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that Light. ⁹ That^[b] was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world.

¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. ¹¹ He came to His^[c] own, and His^[d] own did not receive Him. ¹² But as many as received Him, to them He gave the^[e] right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: ¹³ who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. ¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

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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