

Week At A Glance:

Wednesday, March 11

10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Chapel)

11:30 p.m. Chair Yoga (Parlor)

Sunday, March 15 (Fourth Sunday in Lent)

9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School (Parlor)

10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)

Sixth Avenue Global Methodist Church

1004 W. Sixth Avenue

Lancaster, OH 43130

March 15, 2026

(Fourth Sunday in Lent)

CELEBRATIONS IN MARCH 2026

Birthdays

15 Bonnie Currence

16 Jerry Dickson

18 Diane Cochran

Anniversaries



He answered,
'Love the Lord your God
with all your heart and with all your soul
and with all your strength
and with all your mind';
and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'

Luke 10:27

MINISTRY STAFF

Ministers: The People of This Congregation

Media Team: Paul Jassogne

Media Team (Live Streaming): Lee Ann Whitmer

Church Secretary: Lee Ann Whitmer

Pianist: Jackie Howard

Liturgist: Greg Howard

Pastor: Rev. Jeremy Shank

“An Instructive Moment About Love”

Worship Service starts at 10:00 a.m. every Sunday.

Children's Church (ages 5-13) starts at 10:15 a.m.

Church Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday through Friday

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

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***Gloria Patri** Hymn # 70

***ENTRANCE TO THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

***OPENING HYMN** #563
"Christ for the World We Sing"

GOSPEL READING Matthew 5:38-48

CHILDREN'S MOMENT'S Pastor Jeremy

HYMN "O How I Love Jesus" #170

OUR TIME OF PRAYER

~Joys and Concerns

~General Prayers & Intercession

~The Lord's Prayer (in unison) # 895

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

***Doxology** "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" # 95

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Pastor Jeremy Shank

SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 4:27-31

SPECIAL MUSIC Pastor Jeremy

MESSAGE Pastor Jeremy Shank
"An Instructive Moment About Hearing"

CLOSING HYMN #2130
"The Summons" (Will You Come and Follow Me)

***SENDING FORTH/BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

*For those who are able, please stand.



Edgewood Manor (Lucasville): Alan Fick, C3

LanFair: Mary Chilcote, 313

Luxe: Jim Funkhouser, Eckert Wing, 207A

Magnolia Terrace: Jane Patterson, 56

Primrose: Bill & Doris Shauger, 121

The Ridge: Fred Beougher, 140

Continued Prayers are requested for:

Pat Disbennet, Phyllis Flowers, Ed Gurile, Clara Herrick,
Lloyd & Diann Helber, Eleanor & Bob Kane, Carl & Sharon Mathias,
Vicki Oatney, Michael Parrish, Beth Patton,
Rod Shouldis, Kathy Starner, Billie Stebelton, Don Taylor.

*Please note: Names will be removed from the bulletin prayer list after three Sundays and will only be added if a new request is made.

If you have a prayer concern or praise to share, please fill out a green prayer card found in the pew and give it to an usher before the worship service begins. Thank you for allowing us to pray for and with you!

If you would like the church to pray for you or someone you know on the Sixth Avenue GMC e-mail prayer chain, contact Lee Ann or the church office. You can also let her know if you would like to be added to the prayer chain email list.

The **Evangelism Committee** is selling homemade noodles for \$5/lb. and are also selling **RADA Cutlery**. Proceeds from these fundraisers are used to support the Evangelism team in our community. Please see Lee Ann if interested in either.

Reminder: all of Pastor Jeremy's sermons, including the upcoming Sunday's, is posted on the Shank Bank. Feel free to pass it around, post it to Facebook and tell a friend:

<https://shankbank.blogspot.com>

Adult Bible School will be taking a short study titled "Compelled to Act" based on the Bible passage of Job 31:13-23. When we complete this study, we will be moving into a longer study of "Sharing Jesus in a Post-Christian World." This class is open to anyone who wants to have fellowship in reviewing the Word of God. The class meets at 9:00 AM in the parlor and we are always looking for new students.

- Your Administrative Council held its monthly meeting on **Tuesday, March 10, 2026**, and continues to discuss important matters in this season of transition. The leadership remains fully committed to be transparent and give timely dissemination of information to all members and friends of the Church in this season and beyond.
- The church property continues to be listed for sale. While there have been some inquiries in the property, no offers have been made at this time. It is the Council's prayer that we can remain serving the people of this community in our current building.
- The next Administrative Council meeting is Tuesday, April 14th at 11:00 am.

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Matthew 5:38-48

Eye for Eye

³⁸ “You have heard that it was said, ‘Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.’^[a] ³⁹ But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. ⁴⁰ And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. ⁴¹ If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. ⁴² Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

Love for Enemies

⁴³ “You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbor^[b] and hate your enemy.’ ⁴⁴ But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. ⁴⁶ If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? ⁴⁸ Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Jeremiah 5:1-13

Not One Is Upright

5 “Go up and down the streets of Jerusalem,
look around and consider,
search through her squares.

If you can find but one person
who deals honestly and seeks the truth,
I will forgive this city.

² Although they say, 'As surely as the LORD lives,'
still they are swearing falsely."

³ LORD, do not your eyes look for truth?
You struck them, but they felt no pain;
you crushed them, but they refused correction.
They made their faces harder than stone
and refused to repent.

⁴ I thought, "These are only the poor;
they are foolish,
for they do not know the way of the LORD,
the requirements of their God.

⁵ So I will go to the leaders
and speak to them;
surely they know the way of the LORD,
the requirements of their God."
But with one accord they too had broken off the yoke
and torn off the bonds.

⁶ Therefore a lion from the forest will attack them,
a wolf from the desert will ravage them,
a leopard will lie in wait near their towns
to tear to pieces any who venture out,
for their rebellion is great
and their backslidings many.

⁷ "Why should I forgive you?
Your children have forsaken me
and sworn by gods that are not gods.
I supplied all their needs,
yet they committed adultery

and thronged to the houses of prostitutes.

⁸ They are well-fed, lusty stallions,
each neighing for another man's wife.

⁹ "Should I not punish them for this?"
declares the LORD.

"Should I not avenge myself
on such a nation as this?

¹⁰ "Go through her vineyards and ravage them,
but do not destroy them completely.

Strip off her branches,
for these people do not belong to the LORD.

¹¹ The people of Israel and the people of Judah
have been utterly unfaithful to me,"
declares the LORD.

¹² They have lied about the LORD;
they said, "He will do nothing!

No harm will come to us;
we will never see sword or famine.

¹³ The prophets are but wind
and the word is not in them;
so let what they say be done to them."