

Week At A Glance:

Wednesday, April 8

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

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

Sunday, April 12 (Second Sunday of Easter)

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

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

11:30a.m -1:30 p.m. Lunch and Discussion downstairs

1:30 p.m. Congregational Vote for the sale of the church

CELEBRATIONS IN April 2026

Birthdays

10 Angela Hill

11 Barry Axe

Anniversaries

8 Dan & Paula Thomas

9 Charles & Patti Crist

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

Lead Singer: Kathy Shafer

Liturgist: Greg Howard

Pastor: Rev. Jeremy Shank

Sixth Avenue Global Methodist Church

1004 W. Sixth Avenue

Lancaster, OH 43130

April 5, 2026

(Easter Day)



“An Intense Moment on the Road to Emmaus”

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

PRAISE SONG "Lord, I lift Your name on High"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

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*Gloria Patri Hymn # 70

*ENTRANCE TO THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*OPENING HYMN #302
"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

THE APOSTLES CREED #881

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 16:8-11

CHILDREN'S MOMENT'S Kathy Shafer

HYMN "Up from the Grave He Arose" #322

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

GOSPEL READING John 20:1-18

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Lily of the Valley" Men's Group

MESSAGE Pastor Jeremy Shank
"An Intense Moment on the Road to Emmaus"

HOLY COMMUNION

CLOSING HYMN "He Lives" #310

*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.

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>



EASTER

Following our Easter Bible lesson **Today**, Easter Sunday, April 5, the kids will be decorating Easter sugar cookies. We are grateful to those who are contributing to this sweet activity.

Immediately following the service and Sunday school, there will be an Easter egg hunt here at the church for the children and youth present. All are welcome to watch this fun time!

Adult Sunday School is beginning a new series of study titled "Sharing Jesus in a Post-Christian World." The first session's topic is Truth Matters and is based on Bible scripture found in Proverbs 16:20-25 and 30:1-6. If you are interested in discussing how to be faithful in sharing the truth about who Jesus is and what He's done with those we know and love, please join us. The class meets at 9:00 AM in the parlor and we are always looking for new students.

Administrative Council Updates

- We have an offer for the purchase of our church and property from the Salvation Army.
- While we hate the thought of selling our church, Council discussed how the Salvation Army might be better able to meet the needs of this community than we are able to provide at this time.
- We are planning on having a dinner in the Fellowship Hall immediately after church **Today**, April 12, 2026, where there will be open discussion on how this decision was reached and the vision of what our church will look like in the future.
- Following the dinner there will be a congregational meeting at 1:30 PM to vote on this sale.
- A 60% majority of the members present at the meeting is required to complete the sale.
- We ask for your continued prayers to make the best decisions for what God's plan is for everyone.

Psalm 16:8-11

⁸ I keep my eyes always on the LORD.

With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

⁹ Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;
my body also will rest secure,

¹⁰ because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,
nor will you let your faithful^[a] one see decay.

¹¹ You make known to me the path of life;
you will fill me with joy in your presence,
with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

John 20:1-18

The Empty Tomb

20 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ² So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

³ So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴ Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷ as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. ⁸ Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹ (They still did not

understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene

¹¹ Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹² and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

¹³ They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." ¹⁴ At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

¹⁵ He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?"

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary."

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher").

¹⁷ Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

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