

Week At A Glance:

Wednesday, April 22

No Bible Study

Sunday, April 26 (Fourth Sunday of Easter)

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

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

CELEBRATIONS IN APRIL 2026

Birthdays

22 Gregg Witham

Anniversaries

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 19, 2026
(Third Sunday of Easter)

Blessed are they who
have not seen and
yet have believed

John 20:29



“Shaking the Belief Tree”

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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10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

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Leader: Dear Jesus, open our eyes! Open our hearts! Open us to the truth that will set us free.

People: Lead us not into temptation, Lord. May You lead us into better days ahead.

***Gloria Patri**

Hymn # 70

***ENTRANCE TO THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

***OPENING HYMN**

#98

"To God Be the Glory"

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 7.7-14

CHILDREN'S MOMENT'S

Ruth Bowland

HYMN

"Seek Ye First"

#405

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 6:9-15

SPECIAL MUSIC

Pastor Jeremy

MESSAGE

Pastor Jeremy Shank
"Shaking the Belief Tree"

CLOSING HYMN

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

#714

***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.

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.

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>

Congregational Meeting Updates

- Thank you to everyone who attended last Sunday's Congregational Meeting and vote of the membership. If you were not able to attend, a vote to sell the church property to the Salvation Army passed by a majority vote.
- Before the agreement for the sale is signed, there are a few items that need to be completed by the Salvation Army. Once the sale agreement is signed, we will have up to 180 days (6 months) to turn the building over to them.
- As we discussed during our meeting, the Salvation Army is receptive to allowing us to take items that we will need and use in our new church location. If there is anything that you want to move with us, please express this to the church office either in person or via e-mail (sixthgmc_email@yahoo.com). We will be submitting this list to the Salvation Army at the time of closing.
- There will be many needs and opportunities to participate in Sixth Avenue's new chapter and we hope everyone will feel welcome to contribute. Please contact any member of your leadership team if you are interested in participating and/or have ideas for our future.

Matthew 7:7-14

Ask, Seek, Knock

⁷“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ⁸For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

⁹“Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? ¹⁰Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? ¹¹If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him! ¹²So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

The Narrow and Wide Gates

¹³“Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. ¹⁴But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.

Jeremiah 6:9-15

⁹This is what the LORD Almighty says:

“Let them glean the remnant of Israel
as thoroughly as a vine;
pass your hand over the branches again,
like one gathering grapes.”

10 To whom can I speak and give warning?

Who will listen to me?

Their ears are closed^[a]

so they cannot hear.

The word of the LORD is offensive to them;

they find no pleasure in it.

11 But I am full of the wrath of the LORD,

and I cannot hold it in.

“Pour it out on the children in the street

and on the young men gathered together;

both husband and wife will be caught in it,

and the old, those weighed down with years.

12 Their houses will be turned over to others,

together with their fields and their wives,

when I stretch out my hand

against those who live in the land,”

declares the LORD.

13 “From the least to the greatest,

all are greedy for gain;

prophets and priests alike,

all practice deceit.

14 They dress the wound of my people

as though it were not serious.

‘Peace, peace,’ they say,

when there is no peace.

15 Are they ashamed of their detestable conduct?

No, they have no shame at all;

they do not even know how to blush.

So they will fall among the fallen;

they will be brought down when I punish them,”

says the LORD.

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