

Sixth Avenue Global Methodist Church

1004 W. Sixth Avenue
Lancaster, OH 43130

Week At A Glance:

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

10:00 a.m. Bible Study in the Chapel

Sunday, September 13 (16th Sunday after Pentecost)

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

CELEBRATIONS IN AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2026

Birthdays

8 Art Dickson

8 Dan Thomas

11 Dottie Raymond

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

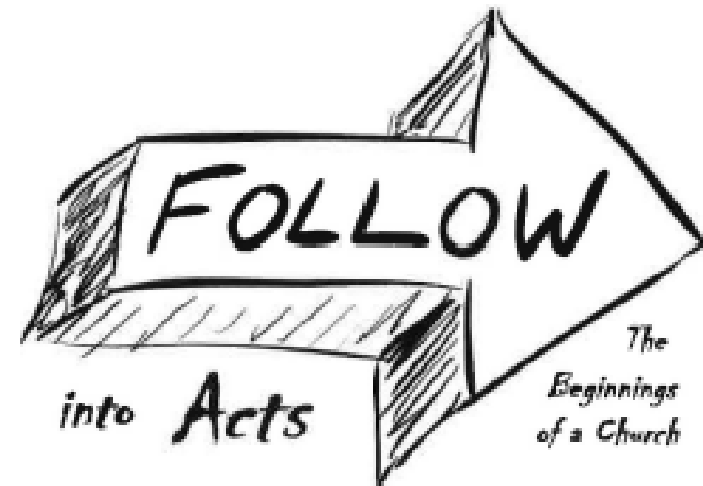
Lead Singer: Paul Jassogne

Pianist: Jackie Howard

Liturgist: Kathy Shafer

Pastor: Rev. Jeremy Shank

September 6, 2026
(15th Sunday after Pentecost)



“Men at Work”

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

Pastor: Rev. Jeremy Shank

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10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: As followers of Christ, we are called to bring a hopeful understanding of our world

People: We are declaring the God called the created universe GOOD

Leader: We are called to bring this hope in God with us wherever we go

People: We are declaring that God makes all things new again

***Gloria Patri**

Hymn # 70

***ENTRANCE TO THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

***OPENING HYMN**

"Mighty Is Our God"

Praise song

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 12:38-45

HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN

"Oh, 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 (We encourage you to share beyond your regular offering. The loose offering received today will go to the Veteran's Burial Squad Fund.)

OFFERTORY

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Pastor Jeremy Shank

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 11:18-23

SPECIAL MUSIC

Jeremy Shank

MESSAGE

"Men at Work"

Pastor Jeremy Shank

CLOSING HYMN

"Onward Christian Soldiers"

#575

***SENDING FORTH/BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

***please remain seated**

Jackie Howard



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, Don Taylor, Chuck and Judy Wheatley

*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.

Trick or Treat is on Thursday, October 29th this year. We are adding more items and need your help to make it run smoothly. If you would like to help pass out goodies, please let Lee Ann or KJ know. There will be a sign-up sheet on the Narthex Counter. Thank you!

Adult Sunday school will be resuming **Sunday, September 13, 2026 at 9:00 am** in the parlor. At this first meeting we will discuss topics that interest the group, so please bring any ideas and/or resources that you want to discuss. The purpose of this small group is to provide fellowship and at the same time reflect on God's word as He speaks to us today. If you are not able to attend on the 13th but plan on being part of the group, please let Gregg Witham know so that we have enough resources for everyone. Everyone is welcome to attend and we look forward to seeing as many of you who want to participate.

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>

Weekly Designated Funds

Week 1 – Veteran's Burial Squad
Week 2 – Good Samaritan
Week 3 – Foundation Dinners
Week 4 – Evangelism
Week 5 – Capital Improvement

Administrative Council Meeting Updates

- Your Administrative Council 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.
- At a special meeting on held on June, 21, 2026, and after much prayer and discussion, your Administrative Council voted unanimously to enter into a contract to sell our building to the **Salvation Army**.
- When the contract is fully executed, we will have up to five months to relocate our church. While this may sound like a lot of time, there are many things that need to take place
- One of the things we need to do is find a new location to meet, and whether to rent or buy initially. Several buildings have been mentioned in the Administrative Council meetings.
- One location that has been offered to rent is the building the Salvation Army is moving out of.
- If you have any suggestions for this move or any other locations, please contact any of your church leadership and/or through the church office.

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Matthew 12:38-45

The Sign of Jonah

³⁸ Then some of the Pharisees and teachers of the law said to him, "Teacher, we want to see a sign from you."

³⁹ He answered, "A wicked and adulterous generation asks for a sign! But none will be given it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. ⁴⁰ For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a huge fish, so the Son of Man will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. ⁴¹ The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and now something greater than Jonah is here. ⁴² The Queen of the South will rise at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for she came from the ends of the earth to listen to Solomon's wisdom, and now something greater than Solomon is here.

⁴³ "When an impure spirit comes out of a person, it goes through arid places seeking rest and does not find it. ⁴⁴ Then it says, 'I will return to the house I left.' When it arrives, it finds the house unoccupied, swept clean and put in order. ⁴⁵ Then it goes and takes with it seven other spirits more wicked than itself, and they go in and live there. And the final condition of that person is worse than the first. That is how it will be with this wicked generation."

Jeremiah 11:18-23

Plot Against Jeremiah

¹⁸ Because the LORD revealed their plot to me, I knew it, for at that time he showed me what they were doing. ¹⁹ I had been like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter; I did not realize that they had plotted against me, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree and its fruit;
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
that his name be remembered no more."

²⁰ But you, LORD Almighty, who judge righteously
and test the heart and mind,
let me see your vengeance on them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

²¹ Therefore this is what the LORD says about the people of Anathoth who are threatening to kill you, saying, "Do not prophesy in the name of the LORD or you will die by our hands"— ²² therefore this is what the LORD Almighty says: "I will punish them. Their young men will die by the sword, their sons and daughters by famine. ²³ Not even a remnant will be left to them, because I will bring disaster on the people of Anathoth in the year of their punishment."