



Magnolia Terrace: Jane Patterson, 56

Edgewood Manor (Lucasville): Alan Fick, C3

LanFair: Mary Chilcote, 313

Luxe: Jim Funkhouser, Eckert Wing, 207A

Primrose: Bill & Doris Shauger, 121

The Ridge: Fred Beougher, 140

Continued Prayers are requested for:

Sharon Byerly, Phyllis Flowers, Ed Gurile, Clara Herrick,
Lloyd & Diann Helber, Eleanor & Bob Kane, Carl & Sharon
Mathias, Carla (Mathias), Vicki Oatney, Michael Parrish, Beth Patton,
Rod Shouldis, Kathy Starner, Don Taylor.

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!

*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.

Weekly Online Prayer Gathering: Please join our weekly online prayer gathering on Saturday mornings from 7:00-7:30am to pray together for our church, local community, our nation, worldwide and personal concerns. Simply dial the Free Conference Call # 425-436-6200 from your phone and when prompted, enter the access code 603577 followed by the # key and you will be able to participate. The gathering is open to members and friends of Mt. Zion GMC and Sixth Avenue GMC and members of the public. Text prayer requests or concerns to Pastor 'Debo at 614-296-1081 ahead of the prayer time. Thanks!

Administrative Council Meeting - Update: The Administrative Council met as scheduled last Tuesday September 9, 2025 and discussed a number of issues concerning the life of the congregation. Based on the recommendation of the Trustees, the Council approved that the Realtor should be given the go ahead to start the process of listing the Church Property and adjoining lots for sale. This process is expected to be completed and the property will be listed for sale. The Administrative Council is also diligently working to identify the most suitable location that the Sixth Avenue GMC faith community would be able to relocate to on completion of the sale process. An update will be provided to all members once a final decision is reached. Please keep your leadership and this process in your thoughts and prayers as they continue to trust the leading of the Holy Spirit. If you have any questions or concerns about the ongoing process, please see Paul Jassogne, Chairperson of the Admin. Council, Patti Crist Chairperson of the Trustees or Pastor 'Debo or any other member of leadership. Thanks!

Welcome to Rev. Dr. Steve McGuire: We are pleased to once again extend a warm welcome to our Guest Preacher, Rev. Dr. Steve McGuire and his lovely wife, Rose. Dr. McGuire is from Athens County, Ohio. He graduated from Circleville Bible College (what is now Ohio Christian University - OCU) in 1978 and taught Bible and Theology courses there from 1983 to 2006. During that time he also pastored part-time at a UMC Church near Kingston, Ohio. From 2006 to 2022, he pastored full-time and worked as Assistant District Superintendent in the Foothills District of the West Ohio Conference. After retiring for 6 months, he returned to OCU, where he currently serves as Director of the School for Ministry. In this role, he is leading the drive to challenge a new generation of clergy to respond to God's call and undergo training to serve in local ministry, world missions, and evangelism. He is married to Rose, who is from Pickaway County and they have 3 adult children. We are grateful for our Guest Preacher for taking on this assignment to enable Pastor 'Debo take the Sunday off. Pastor 'Debo will be back next Sunday.

Pastor's Bible Study: This holds on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. **We will be meeting this Sunday here at Sixth Avenue GMC.** We are thankful for our members who attended the Bible Study hosted by Mt. Zion GMC last Wednesday. We will continue our study of the Book of Acts of the Apostles with focus on Chapters 13-15 this week. Please read the chapters in advance. The Bible Study is open to all members of the community and our time together is always a blessing and we also spend some time to pray for personal and general prayer requests. Please invite a neighbor or friend and thanks for making time to attend. The plan of rotation of the venue will continue as previously communicated. We will meet at Sixth Avenue GMC on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays and at Mt. Zion GMC on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. For months with five Wednesdays, we will alternate between both churches.

Mark Your Calendar - Special Rummage Sale at Sixth Avenue GMC on Saturday September 20, 2025: The Rummage Sale by the Evangelism Committee will be held this coming Saturday from 10am to 3pm. If you still want to donate anything for the sale, please contact Lee Ann at 740-407-0378 and she will work out the details. Also, there will be a bake sale during the event. If you would like to bake some goodies for the event, please remember not to use peanuts or similar items for allergy reasons. **Please bring all baked goods to the church by Friday September 19th.** Additional volunteers are still needed to help with prior set up on Friday, September 19th and take down on Saturday, September 20th. Please pick up a flyer and share information about the upcoming event with your family members and friends. Thanks!

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS (September 14, 2025 – September 20, 2025):

(Scripture passages are from the New International Version (NIV) Bible unless otherwise indicated)

Sunday September 14 (Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

Scripture Reading: Matthew 14:13-21; Reflection Verses: Matthew 14:20-21

“They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.”

Reflection Question/Action for the Day: What does this miraculous feeding of thousands by Jesus tell us about His power? Where do you need Jesus to turn scarcity to abundance in your life?

Monday September 15

Scripture Reading: Matthew 14:22-36; Reflection Verses: Matthew 14:28-31

“Lord, if it’s you,” Peter replied, “tell me to come to you on the water.” “Come,” he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!” Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. “You of little faith,” he said, “why did you doubt?”

Reflection Question/Action for the Day: When have you lacked courage to step out of your comfort zone? Where is God inviting you to leave your comfort zone and follow Jesus? What is holding you back?

Tuesday September 16

Scripture Reading: Matthew 15:21-28; Reflection Verse: Matthew 15:28

“Then Jesus said to her, “Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted.” And her daughter was healed at that moment.”

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: Where do you need to demonstrate great faith in Jesus Christ?

Wednesday September 17

Scripture Reading: Matthew 15:29-39; Reflection Verse: Matthew 15:32

“Jesus called his disciples to him and said, “I have compassion for these people; they have already been with me three days and have nothing to eat. I do not want to send them away hungry, or they may collapse on the way.”

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: Where do you need to demonstrate compassion for the needs of others?

Thursday September 18

Scripture Reading: Mark 6:30-44; Reflection Verse: Mark 6:38

“How many loaves do you have?” he [Jesus] asked. “Go and see.” When they found out, they said, “Five—and two fish.”

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: What represents your five loaves and two fish? Will you bring it to Jesus in faith?

Friday September 19

Scripture Reading: Luke 9:10-17; Reflection Verse: Luke 9:12

“Late in the afternoon the Twelve came to him [Jesus] and said, “Send the crowd away so they can go to the surrounding villages and countryside and find food and lodging, because we are in a remote place here.”

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: Why did the disciples ask Jesus to send the crowd away? When have we acted like them?

Saturday September 20

Scripture Reading: John 6:1-15; Reflection Verse: John 6:9

“Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?”

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: When have you lacked the faith and imagination to give God space to work

Sixth Avenue Global Methodist Church

(Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

September 14, 2025

10:30 a.m.

"Though you have not seen him [Jesus], you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls."

[1 Peter 1:8-9, NIV]



PRELUDE

WELCOME

Liturgist

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 105:1-6)

L: "Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done."

P: *"Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts"*

L: "Glory in his holy name, let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice."

P: *"Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always."*

L: "Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced"

P: *"you his servants, the descendants of Abraham, his chosen ones, the children of Jacob."*

*ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*OPENING HYMN

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"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

*The Apostles' Creed

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*Gloria Patri

Hymn # 70

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Peter 1:1-11

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Rev. Dr. Steve McGuire

HYMN

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

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OUR TIME OF PRAYER

BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER (in unison)

~Joys and Concerns

~General Prayers & Intercession

~The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Accept our tithes and offerings, O Lord, together with our lives, to be used by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, for the expansion of your kingdom, in our local Community, and around the face of the earth, that many shall come to know your Son, Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE READING

John 6:1-15

MESSAGE

Faith by Addition

Rev. Dr. Steve McGuire

*CLOSING HYMN

"More Love to Thee, O Christ"

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*SENDING FORTH/BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*For those who are able, please stand.

Week At A Glance:

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

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

12:00 p.m. Chair Yoga (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, September 19, 2025

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Members only Rummage Sale)

Saturday, September 20, 2025

7:00 a.m. Weekly Prayer Huddle (see details in announcements)

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Rummage Sale – Fellowship Hall

Sunday, September 21, 2025

10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)

CELEBRATIONS IN SEPTEMBER 2025

Birthdays

15 Nicole Layne

16 Paul Jassogne

17 Bruce Goff

18 Jessica Consoliver

Anniversaries

MINISTRY TEAM/STAFF

Ministers: The People of This Congregation

Media Team: Jessica Thomas, Daniel Onabanjo & Paul Jassogne

Media Team (Live Streaming): Lee Ann Whitmer

Church Secretary: Lee Ann Whitmer

Song Leader: Bob Trogus

Pianist: Jackie Howard

Liturgist: Greg Howard

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Steve McGuire

Pastor: Rev. Dr. 'Debo Onabanjo



GLOBAL
METHODIST CHURCH
Allegheny West

Sixth Avenue Global Methodist Church

1004 West Sixth Avenue

Lancaster, OH 43130

September 14, 2025

(Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost)



Faith by Addition

Worship Service starts at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday.

Children's Church (ages 5-13) starts at 10:45 a.m.

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

Tuesday through Friday

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1 Peter 1:1-11

1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To God's elect, exiles scattered throughout the provinces of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia and Bithynia, ² who have been chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with his blood:

Grace and peace be yours in abundance.

Praise to God for a Living Hope

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. ⁷ These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, ⁹ for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

¹⁰ Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, ¹¹ trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of the Messiah and the glories that would follow.

John 6:1-15

Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand

6 Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), ² and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the signs he had performed by healing the sick. ³ Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. ⁴ The Jewish Passover Festival was near.

⁵ When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶ He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.

⁷ Philip answered him, "It would take more than half a year's wages^[a] to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!"

⁸ Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, ⁹ "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?"

¹⁰ Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). ¹¹ Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish.

¹² When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." ¹³ So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.

¹⁴ After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world." ¹⁵ Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

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***The Apostles' Creed**

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I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell, the third day he arose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER (in unison)

Amazing God, we pray that through the Holy Spirit your preferred future for Sixth Avenue Global Methodist Church will be made known to us. We ask that you use us to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to our friends, family, and community. Give us the courage to follow the leading of your Holy Spirit wherever that may take us. Open our eyes so that we may see the new things you are already doing among us. AMEN