

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!

fully committed to transparent dissemination of information to all members and friends of the Church along in this season of transition. The leadership is very appreciative of the demonstrated support from members and friends of Sixth Avenue GMC for our beloved Community of Faith. As we expect interested buyers to continue to inspect our property, please keep praying that God's Holy Spirit will guide the eventual buyers on the best way to use the beautiful facility to serve the furtherance of God's Kingdom here on earth. 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 – there are at least four suitable options at this time but no final decision has been made yet. Updates will continue to be provided from time to time to members through the bulletin and a congregation wide letter will only be issued when the need arises. Let us continue to lift up the Church leadership and this process in our thoughts and prayers as they follow the leading of the Holy Spirit. The leadership has also continued to engage in robust conversations with our Presiding Elder, Rev. John Alice and Allegheny West Conference Leadership on the agreed plan to move to a part-time pastoral appointment with effect from November 1, 2025. We are thankful that Rev. 'Debo will continue to serve as Pastor of our beloved Community of faith till the end of October 31, 2025. Once information is available on who will serve our congregation as Pastor starting in November 2025 is available, members will be notified. We are sincerely grateful for the leadership that Pastor 'Debo with support of his family has provided to our community of faith since he was appointed to serve as our Pastor on March 1, 2022. For those who would like to attend, we are pleased to confirm that the next scheduled meeting of the Administrative Council will be on Tuesday October 14 at 11:00am. In the interim, 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, Pastor 'Debo or any other member of leadership. Thanks!

Update on Future Plans for Sixth Avenue GMC: The Administrative Council remains

Pastor's Bible Study: This holds on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. We will be meeting this Wednesday October 15 at the Chapel here at Sixth Avenue GMC. We will continue our study of the Book of Acts of the Apostles with focus on Chapters 22:22-24:27 this week. This week's reading will focus on Paul's trial and defense before the Sanhedrin after his arrest in Jerusalem, the sinister plot to kill him, his transfer to Caesarea and trial under Governor Felix. Please read the chapters in advance. We continue to enjoy our time together during this weekly Bible Study which is open to all members of the community and this time of fellowship is always a blessing and affords the opportunity to 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 weekly rotation of the venue will continue as previously communicated. We will meet at Mt. Zion GMC on Wednesday October 22 (to study chapters 25 and 26) and at Sixth Avenue GMC on October 29 to wrap up the study with chapters 27-28.

2025 Charge Conference – Mark Your Calendar: We would like to inform everyone that the Annual 2025 Charge Conference of the Lancaster Charge (comprising Mt. Zion GMC and Sixth Avenue GMC) previously announced for Wednesday, October 22, 2025, at 7:30pm has been postponed. This is to enable the leadership of both Churches finalize ongoing discussions regarding important matters that will be on the Charge Conference Agenda. Please be on the lookout for more information once available. The authorization by our Presiding Elder, Rev. John Alice for Rev. Karen Walters, a Full Elder in the Allegheny West Conference of the GMC to preside at the meeting remains unchanged.

Sixth Avenue Global Methodist Church

(Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

October 12, 2025 10:30 a.m.

"Then the disciples came to Jesus in private and asked, "Why couldn't we drive it out?" He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be

impossible for you."
[Matthew 17:19-21, NIV]

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PRELUDE

WELCOME Pastor 'Debo

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

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*ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*OPENING HYMN # 140

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

*The Apostles' Creed # 881

*Gloria Patri Hymn # 70

SCRIPTURE READING 2 Timothy 2:8-15

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Pastor 'Debo

HYMN

"His Name Is Wonderful"

#174

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OUR TIME OF PRAYER

BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER (in unison)

~Joys and Concerns

~General Prayers & Intercession

~The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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

"Blessed Assurance"

#369

(Congregation)

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:46-52

MESSAGE

Degrees of Faith - Healing Faith

Pastor 'Debo

*CLOSING HYMN

"'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

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*SENDING FORTH/BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*For those who are able, please stand.

Week At A Glance:

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

10:00 a.m. Finance Committee (Parlor) 11:00 a.m. Administrative Council (Parlor)

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

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

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

Saturday, October 18, 2025

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

Sunday, October 19, 2025

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

CELEBRATIONS IN OCTOBER 2025

Birthdays

Anniversaries

15 Alton Currence

16 Jerry & Heidi Raymond

MINISTRY TEAM/STAFF

Ministers: The People of This Congregation Media Team: Daniel Onabanjo & Paul Jassogne Media Team (Live Streaming): Lee Ann Whitmer Church Secretary: Lee Ann Whitmer

> Song Leader: Kathy Shafer Pianist: Jackie Howard Liturgist: Greg Howard Pastor: Rev. Dr. 'Debo Onabanjo



Sixth Avenue Global Methodist Church 1004 West Sixth Avenue Lancaster, OH 43130

October 12, 2025

(Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost)



Degrees of Faith: Healing Faith

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: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

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WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS (October 12, 2025 – October 18, 2025):

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

Sunday October 12 (Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

Scripture Reading: Mark 1:35-45; Reflection Verses: Mark 1:40-42

"A man with leprosy came to him [Jesus] and begged him on his knees, "If you are willing, you can make me clean." Jesus was indignant. He reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cleansed."

Reflection Question/Action for the Day: Why was Jesus indignant at the man's lack of confidence regarding the willingness of Jesus to heal him? Do you come to Jesus fully confident in His ability and readiness to meet your needs? Why or why not?

Monday October 13

Scripture Reading: Mark 2:1-12; Reflection Verse: Mark 2:5

"When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, "Son, your sins are forgiven."

Reflection Question/Action for the Day: Why was the faith of the friends who brought the paralyzed man to Jesus highlighted?

Tuesday October 14

Scripture Reading: Mark 3:1-6; Reflection Verse: Mark 3:5

"He [Jesus] looked around at them in anger and, deeply distressed at their stubborn hearts, said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was completely restored."

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: Why is obedience a demonstration of faith? Where do you need to obey Jesus in faith?

Wednesday October 15

Scripture Reading: Mark 4:35-41; Reflection Verses: Mark 4:39-40

"He [Jesus] got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm. He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: Why were the disciples afraid even with Jesus in the boat with them? What storm is raging in your life right now that is making you afraid? Will you demonstrate faith in Jesus and persevere through the storm or prefer to wake Jesus us and ask Him to rebuke the wind and still the waves? How can our faith grow when we pray persevere?

Thursday October 16

Scripture Reading: Mark 5:21-34; Reflection Verse: Mark 5:34

"He [Jesus] said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering."

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: To what did Jesus credit the woman's healing and freedom from her suffering?

Friday October 17

Scripture Reading: Mark 5:35-43; Reflection Verse: Mark 5:36

"Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, "Don't be afraid; just believe."

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: Where do you need unwavering belief in Jesus to walk by faith and not by sight?

Saturday October 18

Scripture Reading: Mark 9:14-29; Reflection Verse: Mark 9:24

"Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!"

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: Where do you need the help of Jesus to overcome your unbelief? Why not cry out?

2 Timothy 2:8-15

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, ⁹ for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

¹¹ Here is a trustworthy saying:

If we died with him,
we will also live with him;

12 if we endure,
we will also reign with him.

If we disown him,
he will also disown us;

13 if we are faithless,
he remains faithful,
for he cannot disown himself.

Dealing With False Teachers

¹⁴ Keep reminding God's people of these things. Warn them before God against quarreling about words; it is of no value, and only ruins those who listen. ¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

Mark 10:46-52

Blind Bartimaeus Receives His Sight

⁴⁶ Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means "son of Timaeus"), was sitting by the roadside begging. ⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

⁴⁸ Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

⁴⁹ Jesus stopped and said, "Call him."

So they called to the blind man, "Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you." ⁵⁰ Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

⁵¹ "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him.

The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see."

⁵² "Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

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