



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:

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 anyone. Please watch out for important updates regarding participation in this special time of prayer starting from November 1, 2025. Thanks!

Update on Future Plans for Sixth Avenue GMC: As was previously announced, the Administrative Council held its monthly meeting on **Tuesday October 14** to discuss important matters in this season of transition. The leadership remains fully committed to transparent and timely dissemination of information to all members and friends of the Church in this season and beyond. The leadership is very appreciative of the demonstrated support from members and friends of Sixth Avenue GMC for our beloved Community of Faith. Please note the following:

- The leadership continues to engage with those who have inspected and have expressed interest in our property. More details will be shared as they become available. 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. More information will be shared once a final decision has been made on the new Pastor that will serve Sixth Avenue GMC effective from November 1, 2025.
- The Administrative Council on behalf of the members would like to express its deepest appreciation to Pastor 'Debo for his leadership and his family for their service and labor of love to our Community of Faith since March 1, 2022. Rev. 'Debo remains the appointed Pastor of our beloved Community of faith till the end of October 31, 2025, and continues to provide pastoral care and support.
- 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!

Pastor's Bible Study: This holds on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. We will be meeting this **Wednesday October 29** here at the Sixth Avenue GMC Chapel. We will conclude our study of the Book of Acts of the Apostles with focus on **Chapters 27-28**. This week's reading will focus on Paul's journey to Rome after he was constrained to appeal to Caesar as a way to demand a fair and just trial. 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.

2025 Charge Conference – Mark Your Calendar: A new date for the 2025 Charge Conference will be announced by the church leadership later. Thanks!

Special Appreciation from Pastor 'Debo: On behalf of my family, we would like to extend our warmest appreciation to the leadership and members of Sixth Avenue GMC for the opportunity to have served as the pastoral family since March 1, 2022. As we wrap up our tenure at the end of this month, please know that we will continue to lift up this congregation as the Holy Spirit leads you into God's preferred future. May the good Lord bless and keep you all and continually abide with you. Amen!

Sixth Avenue Global Methodist Church

(Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost/Reformation Sunday)

October 26, 2025

10:30 a.m.

"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."

[Ephesians 6:10-12, NIV]



PRELUDE

WELCOME

Pastor 'Debo

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The servant that was entrusted with five bags of gold invested his master's money and gained five more

P: Lord Jesus, make us good and faithful servants so that we may share in our master's happiness.

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P: Lord, we have confidence in sharing in the victory of Jesus who has overcome the world.

L: Paul said to Timothy: "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith"

P: Like Paul, we look forward to victory and receiving our crown of righteousness from the righteous Judge.

*ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*OPENING HYMN

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"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

*The Apostles' Creed

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*Gloria Patri

Hymn # 70

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Timothy 4:1-8

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Pastor 'Debo

HYMN

"Victory in Jesus"

#370

OUR TIME OF PRAYER

BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER (in unison)

~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

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

"Precious Name"

#536

(Congregation)

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 24:45-51

MESSAGE

Degrees of Faith – Victorious Faith

Pastor 'Debo

*CLOSING HYMN

"When We All Get to Heaven"

#701

*SENDING FORTH/BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*For those who are able, please stand.

Week At A Glance:

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

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

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

Thursday, October 30, 2025

6:30-7:00 Harvest Walk

Sunday, November 2, 2025

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

9:30 a.m. Adult Discipleship/Sunday School (Chapel)

CELEBRATIONS IN OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2025

Birthdays

Anniversaries

10/31 Dan & Diane Cochran

MINISTRY TEAM/STAFF

Ministers: The People of This Congregation

Media Team: Daniel Onabanjo & Paul Jassogne

Media Team (Live Streaming): Lee Ann Whitmer

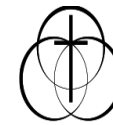
Church Secretary: Lee Ann Whitmer

Song Leader: Kathy Shafer

Pianist: Jackie Howard

Liturgist: Greg Howard

Pastor: Rev. Dr. 'Debo Onabanjo



GLOBAL
METHODIST CHURCH
Allegheny West

Sixth Avenue Global Methodist Church

1004 West Sixth Avenue

Lancaster, OH 43130

October 26, 2025

(Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost/Reformation Sunday)



DEGREES OF FAITH

Degrees of Faith: Victorious 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 26, 2025 – November 1, 2025):

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

Sunday October 26 (Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost/Reformation Sunday)

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 43:14-28; Reflection Verses: Isaiah 43:18-19

“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?

I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.”

Reflection Question/Action for the Day: Are you someone who dwells on the past or focused on the new thing that God is doing? How can you be more engaged in the new thing (s) that God is doing among His people?

Monday October 27

Scripture Reading: Matthew 9:14-17; Reflection Verse: Matthew 9:16

“No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch will pull away from the garment, making the tear worse.”

Reflection Question/Action for the Day: In what area of your life are you still trying to put new wine into old wine skins? What do you understand about the teaching of Jesus that new wine can only be poured into new wineskins to preserve it?

Tuesday October 28

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:11-21; Reflection Verses: 2 Corinthians 5:16-17

“So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!”

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: What noticeable changes have you seen in your life because you are following Jesus?

Wednesday October 29

Scripture Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Reflection Verse: 2 Thessalonians 4:18

“Therefore encourage one another with these words.”

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: How does this passage give you assurance of life after death? Who can you share with?

Thursday October 30

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 4:1-18; Reflection Verses: 2 Timothy 4:6-7

“For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.”

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: How are you fighting the good fight of faith? How determined are you to be victorious?

Friday October 31 (Reformation Day)

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 10:19-39; Reflection Verse: Hebrews 10:31

“It is a dreadful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.”

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: How can we avoid falling into the hands of the living God? What is the role of Jesus?

Saturday November 1

Scripture Reading: Revelation 21:1-27; Reflection Verse: Revelation 21:4

“He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

Reflection Questions/Action for the Day: What are you most looking forward to in heaven? How ready are you to see Jesus?

2 Timothy 4:1-8

4 In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this

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charge: Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful

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instruction. For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a

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great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They

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will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

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departure is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I

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have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Matthew 24:45-51

⁴⁵ "Who then is the faithful and wise servant, whom the master has put in charge of the servants in his household to give them their food at the proper time? ⁴⁶ It will be good for that servant whose master finds him doing so when he returns. ⁴⁷ Truly I tell you, he will put him in charge of all his possessions. ⁴⁸ But suppose that servant is wicked and says to himself, 'My master is staying away a long time,' ⁴⁹ and he then begins to beat his fellow servants and to eat and drink with drunkards. ⁵⁰ The master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he is not aware of. ⁵¹ He will cut him to pieces and assign him a place with the hypocrites, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Call To Worship

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P: *Like Paul, we look forward to victory and receiving our crown of righteousness from the righteous Judge.*

***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