



**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,  
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!

**Rev. Jeremy Shank.** Pastor Shank will officially be on our staff December 1<sup>st</sup> and his first Sunday in the Pulpit will be December 7, 2025. Please join with us to welcome him to our church family on that day. There is a “meet the Shank family” handout in the Narthex to learn more about Jeremy and his family before they arrive.

**Weekly Bible Study** continues on Wednesday mornings being led by Steve Templin. The study is held in the church chapel beginning at 10:00 a.m.

**Adult Sunday School** is starting two new series this winter. Our first topic is titled “Limited Resources, Limitless God.” After we complete this topic, we will move into “Sharing Jesus in a Post-Christian World.” Sunday school begins at 9:30 AM every Sunday and we have plenty of materials to share if you would like to join us in the small group fellowship setting.

The Holidays are right around the corner. If you would like to add some homemade noodles into your festivities, the **Evangelism Committee** is selling them for \$5/lb. Proceeds from this fundraiser are used to support the Evangelism team in our community.

Sixth Avenue GMC **advent decorating.** Advent season begins November 30, 2025. If you are interested in joining the fun of decorating during this joyful season join the group on Saturday, November 29, starting at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to participate.

We will be having a **Chili Bowl luncheon** on February 8 from 1-3 p.m. We are doing this in honor of the Super Bowl LX on Sunday February 9<sup>th</sup>.

Did you know Sixth Avenue GMC has a **prayer chain**? If you would like the church to pray for you or someone you know 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.

The Evangelism Team is also selling **RADA Cutlery.** They make great Christmas gifts. Please see Lee Ann.

There are a few items left on the Adopt-A-Family Tree that we need your help getting. Please have the items back here to church by Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>. Please do NOT wrap them, and please return the ornaments with the gift item on it.

The mitten tree is also up and you can bring in hats, gloves, underwear (kids), toys, whatever you want. Just place them on or under the tree.

Thank you for your graciousness,  
The Evangelism Team  
(KJ, Lura, Sue, Dottie and Lee Ann)

# Sixth Avenue Global Methodist Church

(First Sunday of Advent)

November 30, 2025

10:30 a.m.

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

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and righteousness looks down from heaven.
- <sup>12</sup> The LORD will indeed give what is good,  
and our land will yield its harvest.
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and prepares the way for his steps.

**\*ENTRANCE TO THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

#400

**"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**

**\*The Nicene Creed**

# 880

**\*Gloria Patri**

Hymn # 70

**LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE** Randy & Cindy Henwood

**GOSPEL READING**

Mark 1:1-8

**CHILDREN'S MOMENTS**

Ruth Bowland

**HYMN**

**"Children of the Heavenly Father"**

#141

**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**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Isaiah 40:1-11

**MESSAGE**

**"The God Who Comes"**

Rev. Dr. Steve McGuire

**CLOSING HYMN**

#196

**"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"**

**\*SENDING FORTH/BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

\*For those who are able, please stand.

## Week At A Glance:

### Wednesday, December 3, 2025

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

12:00 p.m. Chair Yoga (Parlor)

### Saturday, December 6, 2025

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

### Sunday, December 7, 2025 (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent)

9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School (Parlor)

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

Immediately following worship service – welcoming in the Narthex for our new Pastor, Jeremy Shank.

## **CELEBRATIONS IN DECEMBER 2025**

### Birthdays

3 Charles (Gene) Boetcher

5 Kim Gurile

12 Stefon Consoliver

### Anniversaries

8 Greg & Jackie Howard

9 Larry & Gaybra Raymond

### 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

Liturgist: Greg Howard

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Steve McGuire



GLOBAL  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Allegheny West

## Sixth Avenue Global Methodist Church

1004 West Sixth Avenue

Lancaster, OH 43130

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November 30, 2025

(First Sunday of Advent)



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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# Mark 1:1-8

## John the Baptist Prepares the Way

**1** The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah,<sup>[a]</sup> the Son of God,<sup>[b]</sup> **2** as it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

"I will send my messenger ahead of you,  
who will prepare your way"<sup>[c]</sup>—

**3** "a voice of one calling in the wilderness,

'Prepare the way for the Lord,  
make straight paths for him.'"<sup>[d]</sup>

**4** And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. **5** The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. **6** John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. **7** And this was his message: "After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. **8** I baptize you with<sup>[e]</sup> water, but he will baptize you with<sup>[f]</sup> the Holy Spirit."

# Isaiah 40:1-11

## Comfort for God's People

**40** Comfort, comfort my people,  
says your God.

**2** Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,  
and proclaim to her  
that her hard service has been completed,  
that her sin has been paid for,  
that she has received from the LORD's hand  
double for all her sins.

**3** A voice of one calling:  
"In the wilderness prepare  
the way for the LORD<sup>[a]</sup>;

make straight in the desert  
a highway for our God.<sup>[b]</sup>

<sup>4</sup> Every valley shall be raised up,  
every mountain and hill made low;  
the rough ground shall become level,  
the rugged places a plain.

<sup>5</sup> And the glory of the LORD will be revealed,  
and all people will see it together.  
For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”

<sup>6</sup> A voice says, “Cry out.”  
And I said, “What shall I cry?”  
“All people are like grass,  
and all their faithfulness is like the flowers of the field.

<sup>7</sup> The grass withers and the flowers fall,  
because the breath of the LORD blows on them.  
Surely the people are grass.

<sup>8</sup> The grass withers and the flowers fall,  
but the word of our God endures forever.”

<sup>9</sup> You who bring good news to Zion,  
go up on a high mountain.  
You who bring good news to Jerusalem,<sup>[c]</sup>  
lift up your voice with a shout,  
lift it up, do not be afraid;  
say to the towns of Judah,  
“Here is your God!”

<sup>10</sup> See, the Sovereign LORD comes with power,  
and he rules with a mighty arm.  
See, his reward is with him,  
and his recompense accompanies him.

<sup>11</sup> He tends his flock like a shepherd:  
He gathers the lambs in his arms  
and carries them close to his heart;  
he gently leads those that have young.

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## **The Nicene Creed**

**#880**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in the one holy catholic and apostolic church.



We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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**