



MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 25, 2024 | Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost | 10:00 AM

Theme: Worship with Rejoicing
Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor
Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Disciples of Christ, why have we gathered today?

To worship God, who lives among us.

God lives among us all the time, so why have we gathered today?

To remind one another that God lives among us as we worship.

When we scatter from this place, what will we take with us?

Hearts open to recognize God living among us.

Then, come! Let us worship together!

We come with rejoicing, to worship God who lives, loves, and moves among us as we gather, and as we go from this sacred space! Amen.

* CONGREGATION STANDS AS COMFORTABLE CONGREGATION RESPONSE IN ***BOLD Italic***

Key to abbreviations: OT: Old Testament; NT: New Testament UMH: The United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS: The Faith We Sing ++ Indicates Someone's Favorite Hymn

*OPENING HYMN "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" UMH 64++

PRAYER OF CENTERING

Holy One of mystery and power, there is no God like you in heaven above, or on earth below. Keep your covenant of steadfast love and fill our lives with your glory, that we may walk before you with pure and upright hearts. Give us the strength and power to withstand the forces of evil at work in our lives and in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Kings 8:22-30, 41-43 OT p. 312

SERMON "Sent Forth"

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Nation's Prayer"/*Panis Angelicus* Cesar Franck
Steven Bloomer-Teague

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

*PASSING THE PEACE

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY "To God Be the Glory" (verse 1) UMH 98++

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Eternal God, as we bring forth our offerings today, we are reminded of your enduring presence among us. With hearts full of gratitude, we offer these gifts as a symbol of our commitment to live lives of worship, not just within these walls but in every moment of our existence. May our actions, our words, and our very lives be a witness to your glory, shining forth your love and grace to all we encounter, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" UMH 664++

***BENEDICTION**

For all that has been...*Thanks!*

For all that will be...*Yes!*

***SENDING FORTH**

***POSTLUDE**

GREETER | Gail Darcy **LITURGIST** | Nancy McCallum
FLOWERS | Sign Up **FELLOWSHIP** | Sign Up

PRAYER LIST: Armando Avila, Gene Gillen, Roger Swanson, Jay Norejko, Marlene Horan, Gloria Schneider, Jonathan Clements, Bobbie Myer, Arlene & Emil Moglia, Richard Holt, Michael Gilmore, The Whateley Family, Fred Myers, Marie Fornoff, Agnes Halsey, Martha Peldunas, David Kent, James Bennet, Joan Pauley, Ali Fitzgerald, Roger Fitzgerald, Karen Boehning, Debbie Conklin, Lori Sheppard, Nancy McKeen, Steve Urban, Brian Sheppard, Rose Belcastro, Barbara Urban, Lee Malone, Ellen Lee, Joan Wortman, Henry Salidino, Bill Davis, Jim Lordi, Christine Pasquarosa, Patty Reynolds, Casey Peguero, Linda Klee, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Dianne Siconolfi

OUR SEPTEMBER COMMUNION OFFERING WILL BE DEDICATED TO THE BLACK COLLEGE FUND. Following the Civil War, the former Methodist Episcopal Church organized the Freedmen’s Aid Society to help educate African Americans who could not read or write. In 1972, The United Methodist Church established the Black College Fund to provide reliable support for UM-related historically Black colleges and offer a chance to everyone with a dream and a commitment to excel – regardless of race, class, gender, or ethnic heritage.



Our Annual Church/Charge Conference Sunday, September 29th 6:30-8:30 PM We will be conducting this year’s meeting over Zoom

AND In-Person! A charge/church conference is held to to celebrate the progress made in the past year, set goals for the coming year, approve the pastor’s compensation, elect congregational leaders. A charge conference is the church council, appointed clergy, retired clergy associated with the congregation and the district superintendent and the congregation’s professing members. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Jenn or Pam Houskeeper, our Lay Leader.

IMPORTANT CHURCH INFORMATION

CHILD CARE AVAILABLE (NURSERY LOCATED AT END OF HALL IN EDUCATION WING)

- **CHOIR PRACTICE: SUNDAYS 8:30AM SANCTUARY**
- **BELL CHOIR PRACTICE: SUNDAYS 11:30AM SANCTUARY**
- **CRAFTY LADIES: Thursdays 9:30 AM**

MEETING SCHEDULE and MEETING ZOOM LINK: bit.ly/MUMCZoom

- **Tuesday, August 27th 6:30PM** **Finance Meeting (H)**
- **Friday, August 30th 6:15PM** **Food Pantry @ Good Shepherd Church**
- **Wednesday, Sept. 4th 6-8PM** **Congregational Meeting with Rev. Gina Yeske**
- **Friday, Sept. 6th 6PM** **Game Night—RSVP for Pizza**
- **Tuesday, Sept. 10th 6:30PM** **Trustees Meeting**
- **Tuesday, Sept. 17th 6:30PM** **Finance Meeting (H)**
- **Tuesday, Sept. 24th 6:30PM** **Church Council Meeting (H)**
- **Friday, September 27th 6:15PM** **Food Pantry @ Good Shepherd Church**

WE WELCOME ALL!
Visiting with us today? Please fill out a Visitor Card found in our pews, thank you!
Our live church worship services are made available to persons viewing through the link:
www.facebook.com/MilfordUMC.
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