



MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 27, 2024 | 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM

Theme: The Gratitude Path

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor

Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

We are each a child of God. No matter who we are, or where we are on life's journey, we are blessed.

Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

We come to worship the God who feeds us, who fills us, and who blesses us.

Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

Let us rejoice in the love of God, and worship our God together in prayer, song, and praise.

* 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 "For the Beauty of the Earth" (vs 1,2,5, &6) UMH 92++

PRAYER OF CENTERING

O God of many blessings, be with us in our joy and in our sorrow. Help us to reach out with your love to those in need, that we may not be satisfied until all are fed. Bless each of us here, and all who cannot be present with us today. Shower your blessings on our worship, as we pray all this through Jesus the Christ, our teacher and our guide. Amen.

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 6:27-31, 37-38, 43-45

NT P. 64-65

SERMON

"Give, and It Will Be Given"

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Autumn"

Charles Ives

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

*PASSING THE PEACE

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

"Give Thanks"

TFWS 2036++

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious and loving God, who blesses us with so many good gifts, we bring these offerings with the hope of turning tears to laughter, and sorrow to joy. May they truly be a blessing to others, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

"Blessed Assurance"

UMH 369++

*BENEDICTION

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

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

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE

GREETER | Gail Darcy **LITURGIST** | Leslie Lordi

MUSIC | Elijah Keay & Jonathan Fornoff

FLOWERS | From Friends of the Church **FELLOWSHIP** | The Geno Family

PRAYER LIST: Family of Fred Myers, Jane Frey, Richard Holt, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Camilla, Armando Avila, Gene Gillen, Jay Norejko, Marlene Horan, Gloria Schneider, Jonathan Clements, Bobbie Myer, Arlene Moglia, Michael Gilmore, The Whateley Family, 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, Dianne Siconolfi

NOVEMBER COMMUNION OFFERING will be dedicated to WORLD SERVICE FUND

The people of The United Methodist Church *are* engaging the world by imitating the ministry of Jesus—and the World Service Fund *makes our Christian outreach possible*. We're sharing his love with those who hunger for it and shepherding those who've already tasted it. Like Jesus, we're ministering among the poor. And we reflect his healing touch as we battle disease and fight to improve global health, all through the World Service Fund.

For more information go to: <https://www.umc.org/en/content/world-service-fund-ministry-article>

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.

If you would like to be on our email list, please contact the office at

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IMPORTANT CHURCH INFORMATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL/CHILD CARE (IN COMMUNITY RM/NURSERY AFTER CHILDREN'S MESSAGE)

CHOIR PRACTICE: SUNDAYS 8:30AM SANCTUARY

BELL CHOIR PRACTICE: SUNDAYS 11:30AM (Some Wed. 5:30PM) SANCTUARY

CRAFTY LADIES: THURSDAYS 9:30 AM

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

- **TODAY Oct. 27th 11:30 AM** New Member Class (Fellowship Hall)
- **TODAY Oct. 27th 3PM** "Count Your Blessings" Gathering at the home of Martha Dubensky
- **Tuesday, Oct. 29th 6:30 PM** Church Council Meeting (H)
- **Wednesday, Oct. 30th 7PM** Bishop's Day on the District
- **Thursday, Oct. 31st 9AM** Popcorn Making and Packing
- **Thursday, Oct. 31st 4PM** HALLOWEEN POPCORN HANDOUT
- **Friday Nov. 1st 6:00-8:00 PM** Pizza & Game Night—RSVP
- **Tuesday, Nov. 5th 5:00 PM** Election Night Prayer Vigil Service
- **Thursday, Nov. 7th 9:30 AM** **Helpers Needed to Move Crafts into Fellowship Hall/ Drop Off Baked Goods**
- **Fri & Sat Nov. 8th & 9th** **HOLIDAY CRAFT & BAKE SALE**



We will hold an Election Night Prayer Vigil Service on Tuesday, November 5th at 5PM

ALL WELCOME



Our Amazing Crafty Ladies have been busy this year, making Holiday Crafts for the Annual Craft & Bake Sale. This year's Sale will be held Friday & Saturday November 8th & 9th! Donations of Baked Goods are Requested. Mark you calendars for this not-to-be-missed event!



On Sunday, November 10th, we will celebrate Consecration Sunday. This is the day we will collect our estimates of giving, celebrate all that God is doing through the church, and look with hope to the work that God will continue to do in the next year. Please make plans to be with us in worship that day and join for a **Pot Luck Brunch** immediately following worship, where we will celebrate all that lies ahead for our church!