



# MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 18, 2024 | Thirteenth 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, have you come today to receive a good word?

***Yes! We come to receive a good word and blessing to carry with us into the world.***

God blessed Solomon in a dream. Are you ready to dream?

***Yes! We come to dream of God's blessings we will carry with us into the world.***

God blesses us when we worship together. Are you ready to worship?

***Yes! We come to worship God together as we share in the good word of God's grace.***

Then, come! Let us worship with rejoicing!

***Praise be to God who gives us wisdom and draws us together as the family of God!***

***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

"Be Thou My Vision"

UMH 451++

### PRAYER OF CENTERING

***God of steadfast love, your works delight our hearts and expand our thoughts. Your grace and mercy draw us together to praise you and to celebrate your wonderful deeds. Dwell among us today, and be present within our lives, helping us to grow in discernment and understanding. Grant wisdom and courage that we may walk in your ways and keep your commandments, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14

OT p. 304,305

### SERMON

"Blessing"

### SPECIAL MUSIC

### 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

***Holy God, in this moment of offering, we stand before you, acknowledging your boundless wisdom and unfailing love. As we present our gifts, we also lift our prayers for guidance and understanding. Grant us the wisdom to discern your will and the courage to walk in your ways, following the example set before us by Solomon. Bless these offerings and our lives, so that we may continue to worship you in spirit and truth, through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

### \*CLOSING HYMN

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

UMH 140++

### \*SENDING FORTH

### \*POSTLUDE

**GREETER** | Liz Steen **LITURGIST** | Rebecca Masters  
**FLOWERS** | Sign Up with Church Office  
**FELLOWSHIP** | Join our Fellowship Team—Starting up in September

**IMPORTANT CHURCH INFORMATION**

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

- **CHOIR PRACTICE: SUNDAYS 8:30AM SANCTUARY WILL RESUME AUGUST 25th**
- **BELL CHOIR PRACTICE: SUNDAYS 11:30AM SANCTUARY WILL RESUME AUGUST 25th**
- **CRAFTY LADIES: Thursdays 9:30 AM**

**MEETING SCHEDULE and MEETING ZOOM LINK: [bit.ly/MUMCZoom](https://bit.ly/MUMCZoom)**

- **Sunday, August 18th 11:30AM** *Caretakers of Creation Meeting (Fellowship Hall)*
- **Monday, August 19th 6:30 PM** **Nominations Committee (H)**
- **Tuesday, August 20th 6:30PM** **Church Council Meeting**
- **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** **Family Game Night—RSVP for Pizza**
- **Tuesday, Sept. 10th 6:30PM** **Trustees Meeting**

**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

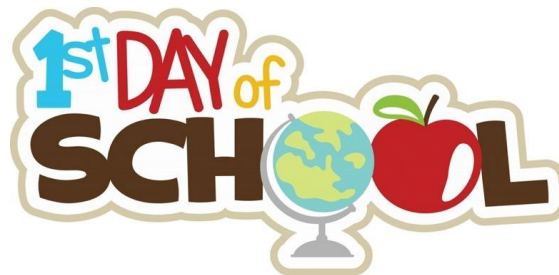


For making this year's BTS Mission Project: Home/School Learning Kits a Success! Kits will be distributed in the next 2 weeks in time for the start of school! Your generosity is appreciated!!!



*Do you know of someone who might be in need of a prayer shawl. There is so much healing power in this simple gift. Spread some comfort and joy. Contact the church office to request one of these beautiful shawls.*

Dear God,  
 Bless our school.  
 Bless our teachers.  
 Bless our pupils.  
 Bless our families.  
 Please help us to be kind and help us to always try our best.  
 Let us remember, as many hands make a house,  
 So many hearts make a school.  
 Amen



**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](https://www.facebook.com/MilfordUMC).

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