



MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 3, 2022 | 10:00 AM | The "I Am" Sayings of Jesus
Holy Communion

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor
Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come to Christ, the living stone, rejected by many.

We come to Christ, chosen by God, and precious to us.

Rejoice in Christ who is the way, the truth, and the life.

We rejoice in God's steadfast love. We are grateful for God's faithfulness that redeems us.

*PRAYER OF CENTERING

Faithful God, in the safety of this community, minister to our hurts and strengthen us to face affliction and adversity. We long for the spiritual milk you alone can provide; feed our hungry souls. Show us the way you would have us go, that your will may be accomplished among us. Set our feet in a broad place that we may walk with Jesus, the way, the truth, and the life. In his precious name we pray. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

"How Great Thou Art"

UMH 77++

MISSION MOMENT

Pike County Children & Youth Services

Michele Burrell, Administrator

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 14:1-7

p. 108 (NT)

SERMON

"Knowing God's Way"

ANTHEM

"Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord"

OFFERING & *DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 95

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PARDON

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

UMH 15-16

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

TAKING THE BREAD AND CUP
The pastor takes the bread and cup, and the bread and wine are prepared for the meal.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
One of the musical settings on pages 17-25 may be used if desired.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
The pastor gives thanks appropriate to the occasion, remembering God's acts of salvation, and concludes:

And so,
with your people on earth
and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**
*The pastor continues the thanksgiving. The institution of the Lord's Supper is recalled.
The pastor concludes:*

And so,
in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.
*The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity,
concluding:*

All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and for ever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER
BREAKING THE BREAD
The pastor breaks the bread and then lifts the cup, in silence or with appropriate words.

LORD'S PRAYER

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP (*Everyone is invited to eat the wafer and drink the juice together at the Pastor's direction*)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

"You Are Mine"

TFWS 2218++

***SENDING FORTH**

POSTLUDE

GREETER | Linda Ryder **LITURGIST** | Nancy McCallum
FLOWERS | Leslie Lordi & Family in memory of Ron Clementoni

FELLOWSHIP | *sign up in Fellowship Hall*

Key to abbreviations:

UMH | The United Methodist Hymnal TFWS | The Faith We Sing
++ | *Someone's Favorite Hymn*

PRAYER LIST

Bill Becker, Marsha Smith and family, Patricia Trumbull, Lillian Kummerfeldt, Melissa Adams, Jackie Viserta, Edie Delaehne, Pat Moulton, Christine Pasquarosa, the family of Joe Lecaroz, Leonard Gasiewicz, Dan Dixon, Patty Reynolds, Casey Peguero, Marie Buchanan, Gina Alfano Walsh, Merissa Sims, Linda Klee, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Diane Siconolfi.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAYS COMMUNION OFFERING is in support of **UMCOR SUNDAY** which was **March 27**. UMCOR Sunday is when we partner with other UMC congregations in a special offering to support the United Methodist Committee on Relief, an organization that acts on our behalf when there is a crisis. Please be an ambassador for Christ to relieve suffering by giving generously to UMCOR Sunday.

WEEKLY PRAYER TIME: During this Lenten season, the Sanctuary is open Wednesdays from 2-3 PM for a time of prayer, reflection, and meditation. All are Welcome. *An on-line prayer service will be livestreamed on our Facebook page at the same time.*

EASTER FLOWER ORDERS: Today is the final day to accept orders for Easter flowers Please see the enclosed order form. Extra order forms are available in the narthex. **We're sorry, we cannot accept flower orders after TODAY—Sunday, April 3.**

LENTEN STUDY: Join us in-person on **Sundays at Noon, OR online Wednesdays at 6:00 PM** via Zoom link bit.ly/MUMCZoom as we continue the book study of the "I Am" sayings of Jesus.

HELP WANTED ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Hours are 9-1 M-F, at an hourly rate. If you are interested, please call the church office at 570-296-6124 or send resume to mumc@ptd.net by April 4, 2022.

SRPING CLEAN-UP DAY: Mark your calendar for the Annual Spring Clean-up Day, Saturday, April 9, 9:00AM—12 NOON.

CRAFTY LADIES—Thursdays at 9:30 AM

ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL—Every Sunday at 8:30 AM

BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL—Every Sunday after worship

LOOKING AHEAD

PALM SUNDAY: April 10th we'll be gathering outside, in front of the church building for the beginning of worship. Once we are gathered, we will process into the sanctuary with our palm branches.



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How Great Thou Art!

Stuart K. Hine, 1899-

Swedish melody
Arr. by Manna Music, Inc.

1. O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der Con-sid-er
2. When thru the woods and for-est glades I wan-der And hear the
3. And when I think that God, His Son not spar-ing, Sent Him to
4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac-cia-ma-tion And take me

all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the roll-ing
birds sing sweet-ly in the trees, When I look down from left-y moun-tain
die, I scarce can take it in- That on the cross, my bur-den glad-ly
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad-o-

thun-der, Thy pow'r thru-out the un-i-verse dis-played!
gran-deur And hear the brook and feel the gen-tle breeze, Then sings my
hear-ing, He bled and died to take a-way my sin!
ra-tion And there pro-claim, my God, how great Thou art!

soul, my Sav-ior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my

soul, my Sav-ior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

* Translator's original words are "works" and "mighty."

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You Are Mine



1. — I will come to you in the si - lence, —
2. — I am hope for all who are hope-less, —
3. — I am strength for all the de - spair-ing, —
4. I am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



I will lift you from — all your fear. —
I am eyes for all who long to see. In the —
heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame. —
am the peace the world can - not give. —

WORDS: David Haas (Ps. 46:10; Isa. 43:1; John 14:27)
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