



## MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

March 10, 2024 | 4th Sunday in Lent  
10:00 AM

Theme: Finding Redemption in our Mess

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor

Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come away to the mountaintop for a while. Stand apart from your daily pace to know God.

***God has given us an example to follow. In Christ, we are enabled to live at our best.***

Hear God's word for us and do it. Let us give to God our loyalty and labor.

***We are eager to respond to God's direction. We are ready to sing as God gives us voice.***

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\* 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

#### \*PRAYER OF CENTERING

***All-powerful God, you have placed us in the vineyard of your world to tend and care for all your creation here. You have called us to be a fruitful people. Send among us the leadership we need to do as you intend. Grant that we may hear your voice and obey your commands. Our highest aim and purpose is to live as your people. We praise you for that opportunity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

\*OPENING HYMN    "The Old Rugged Cross" (verses 1,2, & 4)    UMH 504++

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON    Philippians 3:10-16    NT p. 198

SERMON    "No Messing Around"

ANTHEM    "Lord, Send Me"    Morley R. Halsmith

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

***Almighty God, set our minds on the possibilities before us, that we may live as your beloved community, even while coping with the controversies of our times. Bless and use our offerings of self and substance for the good of others we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

\*CLOSING HYMN    "Lift High the Cross"    UMH 159++

#### \*SENDING FORTH

### POSTLUDE

**GREETERS** | Penny Werner **LITURGIST** | Rebecca Masters

**FLOWERS** | Sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall **FELLOWSHIP** | Join us after service for a time of Fellowship

**PRAYER LIST: Bobbie Myer, Jackie Pentecharsky, Beth Livingstone, Dave Oszczepinski, Family of Doug Houskeeper, Family of Betty Kenyon, Arlene & Emil Moglia, Richard Holt, Michael Gilmore, Noah Shevlin, Stephanie Hartman, Jane Frey, The Whateley Family, Fred Myers, Renee Dellarocca, Marie Fornoff, Agnes Halsey, Martha Peldunas, David Kent, James Bennet, Joan Pauley, Ali Fitzgerald, Roger Fitzgerald, Gloria Schneider, Karen Boehning, Ernie Balch, Debbie Conklin, Lori Sheppard, Gretel Metzger, Nancy McKeen, Steve Urban, Brian Sheppard, Rose Belcastro, Patrick Hall, 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**

**WE WELCOME ALL!**

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**IMPORTANT CHURCH INFORMATION**

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

**SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS 10:15 IN EDUCATION WING**

(CHILDREN WILL BE ESCORTED TO CLASS AFTER CHILDREN'S MESSAGE)

- **CHOIR REHEARSAL: Sunday at 8:30 AM** in the Sanctuary
- **BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL: Sunday at 11:30 AM** in Sanctuary
- **CRAFTY LADIES: Meetings Begin Thursday, March 7th 9:30 AM**

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

- **Wednesday, March 13th 6:00-7:30PM LENTEN SOUP SUPPER /THE PASSION PLAY VIDEO STUDY ( if joining via Meeting Link 6:30 PM)**
- **Monday, March 11th 6:00 PM Trustees Meeting (Hybrid)**
- **Tuesday, March 19th 6:00 PM Finance Meeting (Hybrid)**
- **Saturday, March 23rd 5:00 PM TAIZE SERVICE OF WORD, SILENCE and SONG**
- **Sunday, March 24th 11AM BUNNY BRUNCH and EASTER EGG HUNT**
- **Monday, March 25th 6:30 PM Reconciling Ministries Team(Hybrid)**
- **Tuesday, March 26th 6:30 PM Church Council Meeting (Hybrid)**
- **Thursday, March 28th 7:00 PM HOLY THURSDAY WORSHIP-Communion**
- **Friday, March 29th GOOD FRIDAY**

**10 AM - Community Walk of the Cross ( Meet at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church 110W. Catherine St.)**

**7 PM - TENEBRAE Service of Shadows**



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