



# MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 29, 2023 | 22nd Sunday after Pentecost  
10:00 AM

Theme: **Sharing Abundance**  
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.

*Life's blessings are more than we can count. The commonwealth of heaven is beyond our imagining.*

Sing aloud to God, our strength and defender. Shout for joy to the one who listens and hears.

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

\* CONGREGATION STANDS AS COMFORTABLE

CONGREGATION RESPONSE IN **BOLD Italic**

### \*PRAYER OF CENTERING

*All powerful God, you have placed us in the vineyard of your world to tend and care for all your creation. 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 is to live as your people. We praise you for that opportunity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

\*OPENING HYMN "Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters" UMH 605

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & NOISY OFFERING

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION *see insert*

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 26:17-19, 26-29 NT p.30

SERMON "Abundant Table"

BELL CHOIR ANTHEM "There is a Fountain" Arr. Susan Berry & Janet Van Valey

### PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

### \*PASSING THE PEACE

### OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY "Give Thanks" TFWS 2036++

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*Merciful God, you have given us this moment to respond to the many ways you've blessed us. You've brought us forth from death to life, from regret to forgiveness. May these tokens of our gratitude, together with your blessing, bring fulfillment and life to those in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

\*CLOSING HYMN "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" (verses 1,4 & 5) UMH 629++

### \*SENDING FORTH

### POSTLUDE

Key to abbreviations: OT: Old Testament; NT: New Testament UMH: The United Methodist Hymnal  
TFWS: The Faith We Sing ++ Indicates Someone's Favorite Hymn

**GREETERS** | Kim Stevenson Diehl **LITURGIST** | Leslie Lordi  
**FLOWERS** | Leslie Lordi in Honor of Confirmation Sunday  
**FELLOWSHIP** | Frey, Hancock, & Lordi Families

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**PRAYER LIST:** Marie Fornoff, Jeff Fornoff, Pat Moulton, Agnes Halsey, Dale Chanson, Sherry Raser, Martha Peldunas, David Kent, Geoff Peckham, James Bennet, Barbara Repenning, Joan Pauley, Ali Fitzgerald, Roger Fitzgerald, Jodi Hancock, Gloria Schneider, Marge Carofano, Karen Boehning, Arlene & Emil Moglia, Ernie Balch, Pam Trovato, Kathleen Jewel, Michael Gilmore, Debbie Conklin, Carl Hendrick, Joan Lucciola, Lori Sheppard, Richard Holt, Lorraine Gregory, Gretel Metzger, Nancy McKeen, Steve Urban, Raymond Vetter, Brian Sheppard, Rose Belcastro, Jeanette Hendrick, Patrick Hall, Barbara Urban, Alan & Karen Zuis, Lee Malone, Ellen Lee, Joan Wortman, Robert Keuhne Sr., Henry Salidino, Bill Davis, Jim Lordi, Christine Pasquarosa, Patty Reynolds, Casey Peguero, Linda Klee, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Diane Siconolfi

**WE WELCOME ALL!**

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**IMPORTANT CHURCH INFORMATION**

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

**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY**

- **CHOIR REHEARSAL:** Sunday at 8:30 AM in the Sanctuary
- **BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL:** Sunday at 11:30 AM in Sanctuary
- **CRAFTY LADIES:** Thursday at 9:30 AM Meets in Craft Room

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

- **Monday, October 30th 2PM POPCORN POPPING PARTY—help make treats for Halloween Trick-or-Treaters**
- **Tuesday, October 31st 4-8PM Church Open for Trick-or-Treaters**
- **Friday, November 3rd 6-8PM Family Game Night (sign up with office-Pizza Served)**
- **Saturday, November 4th 11AM CHURCH CONFERENCE- TrinityUMC, Hackettstown**
- **Wednesday, November 8th 6PM TRUSTEES (Conference Room)**
- **Friday & Saturday, November 10-11 10AM ANNUAL HOLIDAY CRAFT & BAKE SALE**

**November Communion Offering ~ Pike County Hands of Hope/Tri-State Warming Station**

The November Communion Offering will put the spotlight on housing insecurity/homelessness in the Tri-State Region. Funds Collected will be divided between Pike County Hands of Hope and the Warming Station in Port Jervis. As always, you are invited to GIVE as you are able, LEARN about the issue (check out [pikecountyhoh.org](http://pikecountyhoh.org) and 'like' Warming Station Daily Needs on Facebook) and PRAY for all of our neighbors who are experiencing housing instability. The World is Our Parish!

**New Small Groups in November**

Monday Nights 6:30PM (beginning Nov. 6th)

“Meet Around a Meal”- Join us for a shared meal & discussion to discover God’s abundant grace and endless generosity.

Wednesday @ Noon (beginning Nov. 8th)

“Zoom” - Meet up via our meeting link [bit.ly/MUMCZoom](http://bit.ly/MUMCZoom)  
Take time to reflect on the Beauty in Giving and spending time together via the power of Zoom

