



MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 17, 2024 | 26th Sunday after Pentecost | 10:00 AM

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor

Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us present ourselves before our God.

Bring all your troubles and anxiety to God in prayer.

Surely God knows our thoughts and hears our prayers.

We find strength for living as we praise God.

Lay down your arrogance and false pride.

Admit your needs as you seek God's favor.

We pour out our souls before the living God.

We do not withhold from God our misery and distress.

* 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

God grants our petitions and gives us peace.

The council of our God gladdens our hearts.

In God's presence there is fullness of joy.

As we meet together, we are encouraged and comforted.

*OPENING HYMN

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

UMH 117

PRAYER OF CENTERING

Our hearts exalt in you, O God. All knowledge has its origin in you. Our deepest hungers are satisfied as you give counsel and instruct our hearts. Be known to us now, that our covenant with you may be strengthened. Give confidence to all who enter this sanctuary, that our faith may grow, our love expand and our hope find fulfillment. Show us the path of life, and grant us courage to walk in your ways. Amen.

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

Rev. Paul Zorn

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Samuel 1:4-20

OT p. 244

Mark 13:1-8

NT p. 50

SERMON

"Do Not Be Alarmed"

Rev. Paul Zorn

ANTHEM

"All Good Gifts"*

Steven Rickards

** see insert for Congregation part*

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

"Give Thanks"

TFWS 2036++

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Our hearts are glad and our souls rejoice in the opportunity to share. Here are the fruits of our generosity and our hard work. In thanks for the perfect offering of Jesus Christ, we bring ourselves with our gifts. Show us how to combine our efforts to build wholesome relationships, extend your church, and minister in your name throughout the world. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

“Stand By Me”

UMH 512

***BENEDICTION**

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

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

***SENDING FORTH**

***POSTLUDE**

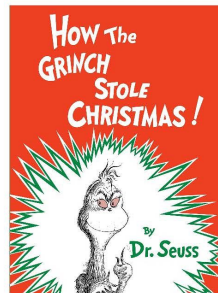
GREETER | Gail Darcy **LITURGIST** | Dani Pentecharsky
FLOWERS | Sign up Sheet in Fellowship Hall
FELLOWSHIP | The Hancock Family

PRAYER LIST Family of Joan Wortman, Family of Jerry Duckowitz, Patricia Melzer, Richard Holt, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Cindy Stine, 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, Henry Salidino, Bill Davis, Jim Lordi, Christine Pasquarosa, Patty Reynolds, Casey Peguero, Linda Klee, Dianne Siconolfi

Wednesday, Nov. 20th, **TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE**—Join TriVersity and the Reconciling Ministries Team from the Milford United Methodist Church in remembering and honoring those lives lost to violence this past year. Gather in front of 206 E. Ann St. at 5:30 Vigil at 6:00 Coffee & Cocoa Provided - Book Club with Petra Simone Kraus Follows at 7PM

Ecumenical Community Thanksgiving Service
Sunday, Nov. 24th 4PM Milford Borough Hall

Come join us in the Milford Borough Hall for a community ecumenical service of thanks as we celebrate our blessings. We ask that you bring donations of non-perishable food for the Ecumenical Food Pantry if you are able.



Join us on **Sunday, December 7th (Time T/B/A)** in the Sanctuary for a dramatized reading of Dr. Seuss' **“How The Grinch Stole Christmas!”**

Presented with musical accompaniment by members of our Adult Choir and Bell Choir.

This family friendly event is open to the entire community! *Spend the day in Milford enjoying festive activities, culminating in the Tree Lighting at the Visitors Center.*

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

- **Monday, Nov. 18th 5:30-7:30 PM** Special Food Pantry Work Day
- **Tuesday, Nov. 19th 6-8PM** Sustainability Budget 2025 Workshop (H)
- **Wed, Nov. 20th 3:30-5/7-8:30PM** Special Food Pantry Work Day
- **Wed, Nov. 20th 5:30PM** Transgender Day of Remembrance Vigil
- **Wed. Nov. 20th 7PM** Triversity/MUMC Book Club & Pot Luck
- **Thursday, Nov 21st 6:30-8:00 PM** Reconciling Ministries Meeting (H)
- **Friday, Nov. 22nd 6:00 PM** Thanksgiving Food Distribution at EFP
- **Sunday, Nov. 24th 4:00PM** Ecumenical Community Thanksgiving (Milford Borough Hall)
- **Tuesday, Nov. 26th 6:30PM** Church Council Meeting (H)

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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