

## MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 26, 2025 | 3rd Sunday After The Epiphany

Where You Are: Embracing the Familiar | 10:00 AM

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor

Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE Prelude on "Dundee" Gordon Young

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

\* 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

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God, we gather to worship, to sing and proclaim with joy the good works God is doing in our midst.

We gather to worship, as is our custom.

We gather today to pray for our families, our community, and our world.

We gather to worship, as is our custom.

We gather today to hear and receive the Word of God proclaimed among us.

We gather to worship, as is our custom.

Children of God, listen. Pay attention. God is here. Jesus has come among us. The Spirit brings the Word to life in our midst. Are we ready?

We gather to worship, as is our custom. Thanks be to God! Amen.

\*OPENING HYMN "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (vs.1-5) UMH 57++

#### **PRAYER OF CENTERING**

God of grace and wisdom, we thank you for calling us into your church to be your people. We have gathered together because we have heard your call and are prepared to answer. Empower us to worship in spirit and truth. Encourage us to serve you in faithful obedience. Instruct us to walk gently on this earth, seeking to love as you have loved us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 4:14-21 NT p.61

**SERMON** "As Was His Custom"

BELL CHOIR "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Arr. Lloyd Larson

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

**OFFERING** 

"We Meet You, O Christ" **OFFERTORY** Carl F. Schalk

\*DOXOLOGY "Give Thanks" TFWS 2036++

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, you turn water into wine and scarcity into abundance. Accept these gifts we offer with our grateful hearts. May these offerings be transformed, just as you transform our lives with your grace. Guide us to use these resources to meet the needs we see around us, to share your love, and to build your kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

"The Summons" \*CLOSING HYMN TFWS 2130++

\*BENEDICTION

For all that has been... Thanks! For all that will be... Yes!

\*SENDING FORTH

\*POSTLUDE "We Would See Jesus" Herbert B. Turner

**GREETER |** Hancock Family LITURGIST | Gregg Rhodes FLOWERS| "In Honor of First Responders" Rebecca Masters FELLOWSHIP| Linda Grady

PRAYER LIST Dianne Siconolfi, Jay Norejko, Joe Schneider, Jim Schneider, The Tedesco Family, John Rodriguez, Michele Burrell, Richard Holt, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Camilla, Armando Avila, Gene Gillen, Marlene Horan, 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, Debbie Conklin, Lori Sheppard, Nancy McKeen, Steve Urban, Brian Sheppard, Rose Belcastro, Barbara Urban, Lee Malone, Ellen Lee, Henry Salidino, Bill Davis, Jim Lordi, Patty Reynolds, Casey Peguero, Linda Klee

#### 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: No Meetings Until Further Notice—Winter Break

## MEETING SCHEDULE and MEETING ZOOM LINK: bit.ly/MUMCZOOM

- Tuesday, January 28th 6:30PM-Church Council Meeting (H)
- Friday, February 7th 6:00-8:00PM—Pizza and Game Night-Fellowship Hall
- Tuesday, February 11th 6:30 PM—Trustees Meeting
- Friday, February 14th 6:16 PM—Ecumenical Food Pantry (Good Shepherd)
- Tuesday, February 18th 6:30 PM—Finance Committee Mtg (H)
- Thursday, February 20th 6:30 PM—Reconciling Ministries Mtg (H)



# January 19th-Sunday, February 9th Collecting for Souper Bowl of Caring



A Big Thank You to all who showed up to help us on Saturday the 18th to move cabinets and put items in attic storage and clean out closets! We could not have done without YOU!!!

#### WE WELCOME ALL!

### Visiting with us today? Please fill out a Visitor Card found in our pews.

Our live church worship services are made available to persons viewing through the link: www.facebook.com/MilfordUMC.

The weekly bulletin and monthly newsletter can be viewed through our website: www.milfordmethodists.org. It is located under the Worship Heading on the site. If you would like to be on our email list, please contact the office at www.milfordmethodists@gmail.com or (570) 296-6124.



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