

MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 25, 2025 | 6th Sunday of Easter 10:00 AM

Theme: Believing into Christ

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE "Jerusalem, My Happy Home" Patricia Lou Harris
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

* 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

In the beginning, the voice that whispered us into being still whispers, saying, *Let there be light!*

In the wilderness, the voice that fed us from the heavens still feeds us, saying, Let there be light!

In the story we share with this God of mystery and amazing love, the voice calls to us each and every morning, saying,

Let there be light!

*OPENING HYMN "For the Healing of the Nations" UMH 428

PRAYER OF CENTERING

God of the stars and galaxies, God of the seed and Earth, we're so grateful that you continue to come to us, to amaze, laugh, and cry with us. Reveal to us that your love shines through us and your creation, bringing light to a darkened world. May your beauty and peace be reflected in us and in this sacred space as we gather and pray in the precious name of Jesus. Amen.

MISSION MOMENT Sara Loeb, Dickson House Children's Advocacy Center

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Revelation 21:10,22-27,22:1-5 NT p. 259-260

SERMON "The Tree of Life"

ANTHEM "You Are God, You Are Lord" arr. Hal Hopson

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "O, Holy City, Seen of John" harm. Charles H. Webb

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 94++

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of all gifts, of all bounty, of every tree and plant and every fruit and vegetable; everything we have comes from you. We give you thanks for this abundance and pray that our offerings might be used as a balm to heal the nations, restoring your peace and love among all creation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

"Shall We Gather at the River" (vs.1,3,4)

UMH 723++

*BENEDICTION

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

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE

"Come, All of You"

Thai Folk Song

GREETER | Liz Steen LITURGIST | Jan Lucciola

FELLOWSHIP | Join us Downstairs for coffee and bagels

PRAYER LIST Children and Youth in Pike County, Breanna Murphy, Franz Tresenreiter, Rhonda Leister, Laura Merrihue, Harry Moulton, Samantha Aquino, Bill Davis, Jacob Hernandez, Rebecca Suarez, Pete Rushton, Arlene Moglia, Maureen Tresenreiter, Barbara Brown, Nazareth, immigrants, refugees and the marginalized, Connie Reed, Linda Ryder, Dianne Siconolfi, Joe Schneider, Jim Schneider, The Tedesco Family, John Rodriguez, Richard Holt, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Armando Avila, Marlene Horan, Jonathan Clements, Agnes Halsey, Martha Peldunas, David Kent, James Bennet, Joan Pauley, Lori Sheppard, Nancy McKeen, Steve Urban, Brian Sheppard, Barbara Urban, Lee Malone, Ellen Lee, Henry Salidino, Jim Lordi, Patty Reynolds

SPRING INFORMATION CLASSES If you're interested in becoming a member of Milford United Methodist Church, or simply curious and eager to learn more about us, we invite you to participate in our Information sessions.

WHEN/WHERE: Sundays, June 8th, June 22nd, and June 29th at 11:30 am in the Conference Room. Please register with the church office by emailing MilfordMethodists@gmail.com by Sunday, June 1st



Greeters are our front line ministers of welcome. Greeters usually provide the first official point of contact with the congregation. Your role as a greeter is critically important to set the tone of welcoming in the congregation. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please see Sign Up Sheet in Narthex or contact Liz in Church Office

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
- CRAFTY LADIES: No Crafty Ladies until June 12th

MEETING SCHEDULE and MEETING ZOOM LINK: bit.ly/MUMCZoom

- CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED May, 26th for MEMORIAL DAY
- Tuesday, May 27th 6:30 PM Finance Meeting—Conference Room (H)
- Wednesday, May 28th 6:30 PM—Church Council Meeting (H)
- Saturday, May 31st—TRUSTEE WORK DAY (Rain Date June 1)
- Friday, June 6th 9:00-11:00AM—STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL PREP
- Friday, June 6th 6:00-8:00PM—Ecumenical Food Pantry @Good Shepherd
- Saturday, June 7th— 10AM –4PM—STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL FUNDRAISER
- Saturday, June 7th 5:00PM—Pentecost Taize Worship Service followed by Pot Luck Picnic
- Sunday, June 8th 11:30AM—Spring Information Session (Conference Rm)
- Tuesday, June 10th 6:00 PM—Trustees Meeting

WE WELCOME ALL!

Visiting with us today? Please fill out a Visitor Card found in our pews and place in collection plate. Thank you.



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