



MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 6, 2024 | 20th Sunday after Pentecost | World Communion Sunday

10:00 AM

Theme: The Gratitude Path

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor

Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise and thanksgiving are due to God this day. Let us glorify our God together.

God has fed us in the wilderness with manna. God has led us to this time of plenty and promise.

Surely God is touching and healing us. Let us give thanks that we are called to God's service.

God will direct us in new ways of living. God will confirm in us our covenant in Christ.

* 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

*OPENING HYMN "For the Beauty of the Earth" (vs.1,4-6) UMH 92++

PRAYER OF CENTERING

Gracious God, who supplies us with every blessing in abundance, lift up our hearts in gratitude and thanksgiving. For bread without scarcity, for water that is pure, for houses to live in, and friends to enjoy, we give you humble thanks. For beauty and bounty, for healing and hope, for the gospel of Christ, we lift our voices in joyful praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

see insert

Francis Bunk

Tyler Bunk

Breanna Lubrano

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 17:11-19

NT p. 80

SERMON

"An Attitude of Gratitude Drama"

Narrator - Gregg Rhodes

Ensemble - Morgan Frey, Jackson Hancock, Rev. Jenn Lovallo, Liz Steen

ANTHEM

"Christ Is With Us"

Nancy Price & Don Bessig

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

*PASSING THE PEACE

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

"Give Thanks"

TFWS 2036++

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We thank you, O God, for life and for everything that helps to make us whole. We pour out our praise and renew our vows of faithfulness. You have enriched us for great generosity, therefore we dedicate these gifts as symbols of our loyalty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PARDON

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

LORD'S PRAYER

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

(Everyone is invited to come to the rail to receive the bread and cup)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

"Jesus Loves Me"

UMH 191++

*BENEDICTION

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

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

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE

** Our Communion Offering will be dedicated to [World Communion Sunday](#)*

GREETER | The Hancock Family **LITURGIST** | Gregg Rhodes
FLOWERS | In Celebration of New Members
FELLOWSHIP | Looking for Helpers (Sign-up in Fellowship Hall)

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

BIBLE STUDY: SUNDAYS 11:30 AM FELLOWSHIP

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

- Sunday, Oct. 6th 1PM Blessing of the Animals
- Monday, Oct. 7th 6:30-8:00 PM New Member Class (Community Room)
- Tuesday, Oct. 8th 6:30 PM Trustees Meeting (Conf. Rm)
- Thursday, Oct. 10,17,24 7:00 PM Book Study "Elderhood:..." (H)
- Tuesday, Oct. 15th 6:30 PM Finance Meeting (H)
- Tuesday, Oct. 22nd 6:30PM Church Council Meeting (H)
- Friday, Oct. 25th 6:15PM Ecumenical Food Pantry (Good Shepherd)
- Saturday, Oct. 26th 12-4PM Fall Festival Community Celebration of the Arts
- Sunday, Oct. 27th 11:30 AM New Member Class (Fellowship Hall)
- Wednesday, Oct. 30th 7PM Bishop's Day on the District
- Thursday, Oct. 31st Time TBA HALLOWEEN POPCORN HANDOUT
- Friday Nov. 1st 6:00-8:00 PM Pizza & Game Night

WE WELCOME ALL!

Visiting with us today? Please fill out a Visitor Card found in our pews, thank you!

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