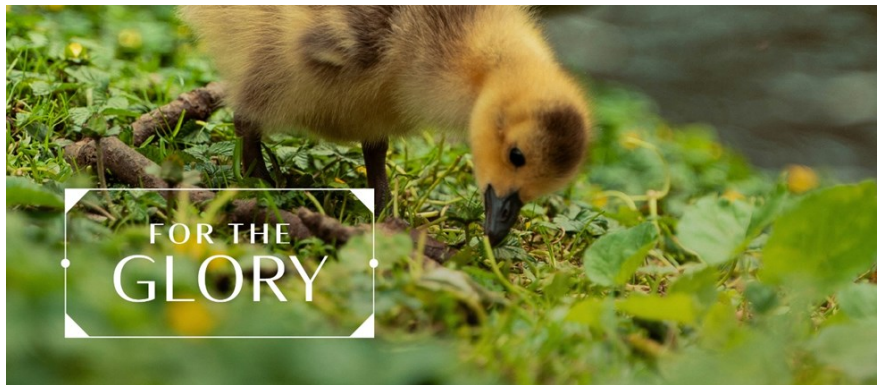




MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 21st, 2025 | 15th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM

Theme: I Will Call Upon the Lord

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor

Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE "The Joyful Trumpet" Patricia Lou Harris

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

When we are surrounded on every side, wondering which way is up and which way is down...

Help us, God, for the glory of your name.

When we question which way to go and how to follow God's path for us...

Help us, God, for the glory of your name.

When we find our rest in God and long for others to know the sweet peace of God's embrace...

Help us, God, for the glory of your name.

Today, as we gather for worship, may we come ready to listen and discern God's help...

Help us, God, to receive your help and to extend your help to our neighbors, all for the glory of your name.

* 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** "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" UMH 474++

PRAYER OF CENTERING

Loving and Gracious God, bless us with your presence this day. Inspire those who seek your wisdom, energize those who are exhausted, comfort those who grieve, and strengthen those who are weak. Fill our hearts with praise and lead us in holiness, that we might live in right relationships with you and others, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 79:1-9 OT p. 540

SERMON "For the Glory"

ANTHEM "Praise the Lord with Joyful Song" Arr. Hal H. Hopson

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Christ is the World's Light" Harm. David Evans

***DOXOLOGY** "Now Thank We All Our God" (vs 1) UMH 102++

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Unshakable and merciful God, you meet us in the ruins just as surely as in times of rejoicing. When all feels lost, you remain our refuge in the storm. Receive these gifts, given not from abundance alone but from hearts that still dare to trust. Let them be signs of your presence in broken places and grace in a hurting world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** "Let There Be Peace on Earth " UMH 431++

***BENEDICTION**

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

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

***SENDING FORTH**

***POSTLUDE** "Christ, Whose Glory fills the Skies" Harm. W. H. Havergal

GREETER | Joan Arlequeeuw **LITURGIST** | Liz Steen
FELLOWSHIP | SPRC Committee

PRAYER LIST Family of Laura Lomolino, Family of Bill Davis, Barbara Cooper, Lydia Boronow, Beth Klopfleisch, David Scheer, Mike St. Jean, Doug Cosh, Derrick White, Joanne Green, Sue Rhodes, Samar Mukherjee, Jacob Hernandez, Rebecca Suarez, Arlene Moglia, Barbara Brown, Nazareth, Linda Ryder, Dianne Siconolfi, Joe Schneider, Jim Schneider, The Tedesco Family, John Rodriguez, Richard Holt, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Armando Avila, Jonathan Clements, Agnes Halsey, David Kent, James Bennet, Joan Pauley, Lori Sheppard, Nancy McKeen, Steve Urban, Brian Sheppard, Barbara Urban, Lee Malone, Ellen Lee, Henry Salidino, Jim Lordi

September 28th Worship & Fellowship



**BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH, AND
LET'S GIVE A WARM WELCOME TO OUR
NEW MEMBERS
DOWN IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
AFTER WORSHIP**

**Love Boldly
Serve Joyfully
Lead Courageously**

Sunday, October 5th



We celebrate World Communion Sunday during worship - a Special Communion Offering will be taken and then at 1PM Pastor Jenn will be Blessing our beloved pets and furry or not-so-furry companions. **ALL WELCOME!!!!**

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:** Thursdays 9:30 AM

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

- **Wednesday, September 24th—6PM—Finance Committee Meeting, followed by 6:30PM Church Council Meeting (Conf. Rm)**
- **Thursday, September 25th—7PM—RMT Book Group (H)**
- **Friday, September 26th—6PM—Ecumenical Food Pantry (Good Shepherd)**
- **Saturday, September 27th—9AM—1PM—HOSTING GNJ CHURCH CONFERENCES**
- **Sunday, September 28th—10AM New Member Sunday followed by Pot Luck Reception in Fellowship Hall—bring a favorite dish and let's Welcome and get to know our new congregants!**
- **Thursday, October 2nd—7PM—RMT Book Group (H)**
- **Friday, October 3rd—6-8PM—Pizza & Game Night (RSVP by 10/2)**
- **Sunday, October 5th—1 PM Blessing of the Animals**
- **Saturday, October 11th— 12-4PM Fall Community Arts Festival—Volunteers Needed**

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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