

MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 28th, 2025 | 16th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 AM

Theme: I Will Call Upon the Lord

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE "An Interlude" Dennis Eliot
WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather today to worship God, who listens when we call.

We gather to rest in the shadow of God's wings.

We gather to pray to God, who answers us when we call.

We gather to lift our voices in the shadow of God's wings.

We gather to praise God, who rescues us when we call.

We gather to rejoice in the shadow of God's wings.

Beloved, come! Let us worship God, who covers and delivers us in Love.

We gather to worship in the shadow of God's wings.

* 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

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

UMH 140++

PRAYER OF CENTERING

Eternal God, you are the refuge and help of all who call upon you. We praise you for all that you are and for all that you have done. In our weakness, be our strength; in our darkness, be our light; in our sorrow, be our comfort and peace. Your blessings are too numerous to count and your love is beyond all measure. May we live in your presence every day, loving the things that you love, and serving you daily, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BAPTISM Michael James Seltzer see Blue Booklet

CONFIRMATION Hannah Adele Tomczyk & Michael James Seltzer **NEW MEMBERS** Christine Tomczyk, Lora Weir, Penny Seltzer

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 OT p. 548

SERMON "The Shadow of the Lord"

BELL CHOIR ANTHEM "Deep River" Arr. Lloyd Larson

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Thy Holy Wings, O Savior" Harm. Lahrae Knatterud

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sheltering God, receive these gifts as a sign of our trust in your abiding love. May our offerings bring rest to the weary, hope to the hurting, and salvation to those who long for refuge. In gratitude and faith, we offer these gifts in the precious name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" UMH 133++

*BENEDICTION

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

GREETER | Hancock Family **LITURGIST** | Nancy McCallum **FELLOWSHIP** | Join us for a Pot Luck to welcome our new members!

PRAYER LIST Family of Jonathan Clements, Scott Seltzer, Arlene Moglia, Steve Shay, Barbara Cooper, Lydia Boronow, Beth Klopfleisch, David Scheer, Mike St. Jean, Doug Cosh, Derrick White, Joanne Green, Sue Rhodes, Jacob Hernandez, Rebecca Suarez, Barbara Brown, Nazareth, Linda Ryder, Dianne Siconolfi, Joe Schneider, Jim Schneider, The Tedesco Family, John Rodriguez, Richard Holt, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Armando Avila, 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

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!!!!





Our Annual Church Conference will be held on October 25th at Sparta UMC 10AM Worship and 11AM Conference.

All Members Welcome. Contact Liz in Church Office if you are interested in attending and want to carpool.

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

- Today, September 28th—10AM
 New Member Pot Luck Reception in Fellowship Hall
- 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 to Bake for Bake Sale Table, Help with Setup & Cleanup and help with
 Craft Tables and Hospitality.
- Tuesday, October 14th—Trustees Meeting 6PM—Conference Room
- Saturday, October 25th— 10AM—12Noon MUMC Church Conference—
 SPARTA UMC 71 S Sparta Ave, Sparta, NJ 07871
- Wednesday, October 29th— 6PM—Finance Meeting 6:30PM—Church Council Meeting
- Friday, October 31st—Halloween Popcorn Distribution—details to follow

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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