



MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 30, 2023 | 9th Sunday after Pentecost | 10:00 AM

Theme: Half Truths

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor

Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to worship our Covenant God. Wisdom comes from the Holy One who meets us in this place.

God takes us by the hand to lead us. The Word of God is written on our hearts.

We come to taste God's Word, which is sweeter than honey. We gather to touch the reality of God's presence.

Surely God will welcome and protect us. We will walk with new understanding of truth.

*PRAYER OF CENTERING

Disruptive and astounding God, we are prepared to receive whatever radical word you have for us today. We want to know you and to keep your commandments. Draw us into the new covenant you have fashioned for us in Jesus Christ so that we may fulfill your will in the world. In the precious name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

"To God Be the Glory"

UMH 98++

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE and NOISY OFFERING

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Timothy 3:14-17

NT p. 213

SERMON

"God Said..."

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Jesus, Friend of Sinners"

Steven Bloomer-Teague

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

*PASSING THE PEACE

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 94++

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Almighty God, with thankful hearts we bring our offerings. May these resources help your people to know you more fully and to serve you more effectively. Equip us for every good work, that your Church may witness boldly and influence profoundly, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

"Thy Word Is a Lamp"

UMH 601

*SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILD CARE AVAILABLE DURING WORSHIP SERVICE

(NURSERY LOCATED AT END OF HALL IN EDUCATION WING)

CRAFTY LADIES: Every Thursday at 9:30 AM

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

Friday August 4th 6:15PM: Our Turn to Serve at the **Ecumenical Food Pantry**

Wednesday, August 8th 6:30PM **Reconciling Ministries Team** (Hybrid)

Friday, August 11th 6-8PM: **Family Game Night**—Sign up with Church Office so we can order enough pizza (GF available)

Saturday, August 19th 5-8PM **Back to School Kick-Off Teen Tie-Dye Party**

Tuesday, August 22nd 6PM **Finance Committee Meeting** (Hybrid)

Monday, August 28th 6:30PM **Vision Team** (Hybrid)

Tuesday, August 29th 6:30PM **Church Council Meeting** (Online)

HOME/SCHOOL LEARNING KITS 2023 Over the summer, the Outreach Team will be creating Home/School Learning Kits for youngsters at the Ecumenical Food Pantry and Pike County Children and Youth. We will be accepting donations of school supplies beginning July 9. Meanwhile, be on the lookout for the following: Glue Sticks, pocket folders, crayons (16 or 24 count), ballpoint pens, wide ruled loose leaf paper, construction paper, colored markers. In addition, the **August Communion Offering** will go to support this project. Let's help give our younger neighbors the tools they need to be ready to learn on Day #1!



Thank you to all who participated in our Flea Market on Saturday, July 22nd. The weather was beautiful, we had lots of fun and met new friends and neighbors. The proceeds from sale of rummage items, table space, tie dye, baked goods and Everett's Ice Cream was over \$1200.

GREETERS | Kim Diehl **LITURGIST** | Liz Steen

FELLOWSHIP | Richard Bloomer & Steven Bloomer-Teague

FLOWERS | Jim Snodgrass & Pat Moulton in honor of the Snodgrass & Moulton Families

Key to abbreviations: OT: Old Testament; NT: New Testament

UMH: The United Methodist Hymnal TFWS: The Faith We Sing

++ Indicates Someone's Favorite Hymn

PRAYER LIST: Marsha Smith, Carol Smith, James Bennet, Barbara Repenning, Family of Seety Wassef, Joan Pauley, Ali Fitzgerald, Roger Fitzgerald, Jodi Hancock, Gloria Schneider, Minnie Weinstock, Marge Carofano, Family of Chet Rideout, Karen Boehning, Arlene & Emil Moglia, Ernie Balch, Pam Trovato, Kathleen Jewel, Michael Gilmore, Kevin Walter, Debbie Conklin, Carl Hendrick, Joan Lucciola, Lori Sheppard, Richard Holt, Lorraine Gregory, Gretel Metzger, Nancy McKeen, Family of Ernie Kotschessa, Steve Urban, Raymond Vetter, Brian Sheppard, Rose Belcastro, Jeanette Hendrick, Patrick Hall, Barbara Urban, Alan & Karen Zuis, Lee Malone, Ellen Lee, Joan Wortman, Robert Keuhne Sr., Henry Salidino, Bill Davis, Jim Lordi, Christine Pasquarosa, Patty Reynolds, Casey Peguero, Linda Klee, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Diane Siconolfi.

WE WELCOME ALL!

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.

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