



January 29, 2023 | 4th Sunday after Epiphany | 10:00 AM

Theme: Beatitudes

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor

Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God is waiting to speak with all of us.

We are waiting and listening for wisdom from God.

God is here to embrace and enlist us.

Our hearts rejoice in God's welcoming Spirit.

God's mercy inspires us to be merciful.

May our thoughts and words be enlightened by Christ.

*PRAYER OF CENTERING

Awesome God, we bow before you and observe this day to bring you honor and praise. You have called us to be a caring and forgiving people. We would praise you in the way we treat others. Help us as we seek to strengthen our relationship with you, that we may also live in community with one another, and grow into the fullness of our being, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

"Depth of Mercy" (verses 1, 4, & 5)

UMH 355

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Matthew 18:21-33

NT pg. 20

Matthew 5:1-2, 7

NT pg. 4

SERMON

"Stand Up for Mercy"

BELL CHOIR ANTHEM

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Arr. by Lloyd Larson

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

*PASSING THE PEACE

*OFFERING & DOXOLOGY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CHOIR REHEARSAL: Every **Sunday at 8:30 AM** in the Sanctuary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Every **Sunday at 9:30 AM**

BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL: Every **Sunday at 11:30 AM** following worship service

LOOKING AHEAD:

CHURCH COUNCIL: **Tuesday, January 31 at 6:30 PM.** Online

JOIN US DURING FELLOWSHIP TIME SUNDAYS through February 12 for a brief video by Rev. Adam Hamilton explaining why he's **ProudToBeUMC**. Grab coffee and refreshments as we explore the beliefs and practices of The United Methodist Church.

Our Office Administrative Asst, Marsha Smith, has to leave us. We are accepting resumes if anyone is interested in applying for the open position. Resumes must be received in the Church office by Feb. 13, 2023.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, January 30, 4-6pm: Auditions open to Middle School and High School students for "Godspell" (to perform this spring). Contact Pastor Jenn for information at: jennlovallo@gmail.com

Friday, February 3, 6-8pm: Pizza and Game Night in the Community Room at the church. Join the Vision Team and connect with others as we share food and fellowship.

Sunday, February 5, we will commemorate Human Relations Day, gifts received for the offering help to build Martin Luther King Jr.'s vision of the 'beloved community' through programs such as Community Developers, United Methodist Voluntary Services and Youth Offender Rehabilitation Programs. In 2022, United Methodists gave \$244,058 in support of these programs. As always, GIVE as you are able, LEARN ('Like' the UMGiving Facebook page) and, of course, PRAY for the recipients of our gifts. As United Methodists, we believe that the WORLD is our parish!

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. If you would like to be on our email list, please contact the office at www.milfordmethodist@gmail.com or (570) 296-6124.

GREETERS | Gail Darcy LITURGIST | Lorna Cuevas FELLOWSHIP|

*Sign-up sheets in Fellowship Hall for Flowers and Fellowship.

Key to abbreviations:

OT: Old Testament; NT: New Testament

UMH: The United Methodist Hymnal TFWS: The Faith WeSing

++ Indicates Someone's Favorite Hymn



PRAYER LIST: All the Victims of the Recent Mass Shootings, Gretel Metzger, Nancy McKeen, Nancy McCallum, Ernie Kotschessa, Steve Urban, California Residents, Tornado Victims, Joyce Van Nest and Family, Raymond Vetter, Jeffrey Buyse, Ruth Townsend, the family of Bill Davis, Jr., Nicole Dunn Hernandez, Jay Norejko, Brian Sheppard, Eileen Rail, Thomas Rail, Rose Belcastro, Jeanette Hendrick, Patrick Hall, Barbara Urban, Paul and Pat Ingold, Jean Troutman, Alan & Karen Zuis, Lee Malone, Ellen Lee, Barbara Myer, Joan Wortman, Valerie Dimatteo, Maureen Tresenreiter, Kelly Foster and family, Roy Sirel and family, Robert Keuhne, Sr., Alyre Hayworth, Thomas Harris, Henry Salidino, Bill Davis, Jim Lordi, Gina Bebenroth and family, Christine Pasquarosa, Patty Reynolds, Casey Peguero, Gina Alfano Walsh, Linda Klee, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Diane Siconolfi.



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