

# MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## May 28, 2023 | Pentecost Sunday | 10:00 AM

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

### **PRELUDE**

### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

The day has come, and we are together. Let us face bravely into the winds of God.

We are listening for the sounds from heaven. We hear the rush of a mighty wind.

Surely God is in this place! How manifold are the works of God!

The Spirit of God fills us with amazement. God sets us afire with wonder and awe.

We will sing to God as long as we live. We will celebrate the gifts of God.

Together we are members of one body. All have been baptized by the Spirit.

### \*PRAYER OF CENTERING

Eternal God, in joyous expectation we celebrate the birthday of your church. Pour your Spirit on all flesh, that our sons and daughters may prophesy, the young see visions and the old dream dreams. Re-create us as daring people, open to the new possibilities you offer. Calm our fears, lest they block us from receiving your power. Refashion our doubts, that they may lead to bold action. Come, Holy Spirit, to reform and refresh your church, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*OPENING HYMN "Spirit of God" TFWS 2117++

HEBREW SCRIPTURE Genesis 11:1-9 OT PG 9

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** 

SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 2:1-8, 12 NT PG 118

**SERMON** "e pluribus unum"

BELL CHOIR ANTHEM "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Arr. by Janet Van Valey

& Susan Berry

**PASTORAL PRAYER** 

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH 881

\*PASSING THE PEACE

**OFFERING** 

\*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94++

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Almighty God, we have thirsted and you provided Living Water; we have hungered and you fed us with the Bread of Life. We rejoice and give thanks for your great gifts, praying that our offerings will witness to rebirth and renewal of your Church, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*CLOSING HYMN "Spirit Song" UMH 347++

\*SENDING FORTH

**POSTLUDE** 

# GREETERS | Gail Darcy LITURGIST | Jan Lucciola FELLOWSHIP | Linda Grady FLOWERS | \*

\*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 We Sing

++ Indicates Someone's Favorite Hymn

PRAYER LIST: Ali Fitzgerald, Roger Fitzgerald, Jodi Hancock, Rich Lovallo, Gloria Schneider, Sherri & Ells VanHouton, Minnie Weinstock, Marge Carofano, Chet & Lynn Rideout, Karen Boehning, The Conklin Family, Emil Moglia, Ernie Balch, Pam Trovato, Kathleen Jewel, The Family of Charles Zuroff, Michael Gilmore, Kevin Walter, Debbie Conklin, Carl Hendrick, Joan Lucciola, Lori Sheppard, Richard Holt, Lorraine Gregory, Gretel Metzger, Nancy McKeen, 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., Alyre Hayworth, Thomas Harris, Henry Salidino, Bill Davis, Jim Lordi, Christine Pasquarosa, Patty Reynolds, Casey Peguero, Linda Klee, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Diane Siconolfi.

#### WE WELCOME ALL!

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Office Closed Monday in Observance of Memorial Day

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# CHILD CARE AVAILABLE DURING WORSHIP SERVICE (NURSERY LOCATED AT END OF HALL IN EDUCATION WING)

**CHOIR REHEARSAL:** Every **Sunday at 8:30 AM** in the Sanctuary. **SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Every **Sunday after Children's Message** 

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

**CRAFTY LADIES:** Every **Thursday at 9:30 AM** 

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

FINANCE MEETING: Tuesday, May 30 5:45 (Online) CHURCH COUNCIL: Tuesday, May 30 6:30 (Online)

NOMINATIONS/LAY LEADERSHIP: Wednesday, May 31st 4:30 (Conference Rm)

TODAY DURING FELLOWSHIP: In preparation for the book study, we will be showing a brief video today. For more information, contact Pam Houskeeper at rockband@ptd.net or Pat Moulton at pmoulton01@gmail.com. All are welcome!

**SUNDAY JUNE 4th:** Volunteer Appreciation Sunday / Church Picnic after worship.

JUNE BOOK STUDY: Session 1: Wednesday June 7th (Hybrid) 7-8PM An exciting lay-led book study coming your way in June! "Jesus and John Wayne: How White Evangelicals Corrupted a Faith and Fractured a Nation" by Kristin Kobes Du Mez, PhD, a professor of history and gender studies at Calvin University. The book is available through Amazon. Join us in person or by Zoom for four Wednesday weekly sessions starting June 7th and ending June 28th.

**FRIDAY JUNE 9th:** Our turn to serve at the Ecumenical Food Pantry, located at 321 Fifth St. Meet there at 6:15PM. If you would like to be included in our Group text

### JUNE COMMUNION OFFERING HIGHLIGHTS THE RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK

The Communion Offering on June 4 will support of the Reconciling Ministries Network. Since 1984, RMN has worked to transform hearts, churches and communities through grassroots organizing, resourcing and educating, denomination level change making, pastoral care and working with YOU.....faithful people hopeful for a reconciled church that welcomes all of God's children just as they are. As a Reconciling Congregation, Milford UMC has been a proud member of the network since 2020! You are invited to GIVE as you are able, LEARN about RMN ('like' the Reconciling Ministries Facebook page) and PRAY for those who feel excluded from God's Love.