

## MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# October 13, 2024 | 21st Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 AM

Theme: The Gratitude Path Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

## PRELUDE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

God is in our midst; do not fear. God rejoices to renew our lives in steadfast love.

God gathers us for this time of worship. God claims us and promises us a home.

Trust in God who is our strength and life. Give thanks to God, the source of our salvation.

We will sing praises and exalt God's name. With joyous shouts, we will tell of God's glorious deeds!

\*OPENING HYMN

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

UMH 57++

#### **PRAYER OF CENTERING**

Loving God, may your presence be real to us in this hour. Strengthen us for victories over temptation, for renewal of our love for you and one another, for leadership and service in your church. We give thanks that you have called us into community and commissioned us to make a difference in the world. Equip us here for the tasks you set before us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**CHILDRENS MESSAGE** 

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

NT p. 205

UMH 102++

SERMON "In All Things"

**ANTHEM** "Think on These Things" Ron Sprunger

**PASTORAL PRAYER** 

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

\*PASSING THE PEACE

**OFFERING** 

\*DOXOLOGY "Give Thanks" TFWS 2036++

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Almighty God, with joy, we bring the fruits of our labor, the work of our hands, and the days of our lives for your special blessing. By your mercy may these offerings feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and bear witness to your light in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*CLOSING HYMN "Now Thank We All Our God"

### \*BENEDICTION

For all that has been... Thanks!
For all that will be... Yes!

\*SENDING FORTH

\*POSTLUDE

<sup>\*</sup> 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

## GREETER | Liz Steen LITURGIST | Jack Donson **FLOWERS** | Sign up in Fellowship Hall or contact Office **FELLOWSHIP** Looking for Helpers (Sign-up in Fellowship Hall)

PRAYER LIST: Victims of Hurricane Helene. The situation in the Middle East and Ukraine, Richard Holt, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Cindy Stine, Camilla, Armando Avila, Gene Gillen, Jay Norejko, Marlene Horan, Gloria Schneider, Jonathan Clements, Bobbie Myer, Arlene Moglia, Michael Gilmore, The Whateley Family, Fred Myers, Marie Fornoff, Agnes Halsey, Martha Peldunas, David Kent, James Bennet, Joan Pauley, Ali Fitzgerald, Roger Fitzgerald, Karen Boehning, Debbie Conklin, Lori Sheppard, Nancy McKeen, Steve Urban, Brian Sheppard, Rose Belcastro, Barbara Urban, Lee Malone, Ellen Lee, Joan Wortman, Henry Salidino, Bill Davis, Jim Lordi, Christine Pasquarosa, Patty Reynolds, Casey Peguero, Linda Klee, Dianne Siconolfi

## **Worship Service with Our New Bishop**

When: October 30, 2024 Time: 7 PM Place: Trinity UMC 213 Main Street Hackettstown, NJ Preacher: Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi



Our Amazing Crafty Ladies have been busy this year, making Holiday Crafts for the Annual Craft & Bake Sale. This year's Sale will be held Friday & Saturday November 8th & 9th!

Mark you calendars for this not-to-be-missed event!



## **Halloween Hospitality!**

Join us on Thursday Oct. 31st, either at 9AM (Popping and bagging) or 4PM (Distributing) to treat our local families to some popcorn and use of our bathrooms. Costumes Optional!

## IMPORTANT CHURCH INFORMATION

**SUNDAY SCHOOL/CHILD CARE** (IN COMMUNITY RM/NURSERY AFTER CHILDREN'S MESSAGE)

**CHOIR PRACTICE: SUNDAYS 8:30AM SANCTUARY** 

BELL CHOIR PRACTICE: SUNDAYS 11:30AM (Some Wed. 5:30PM) SANCTUARY

**CRAFTY LADIES: THURSDAYS 9:30 AM** 

**BIBLE STUDY: SUNDAYS 11:30 AM FELLOWSHIP** 

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

**MONDAY OCT. 14th** CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, Oct. 15th 6:30 PM

Thursday, Oct. 17,24 7:00 PM

Monday, Oct. 21 6:30-8:00 PM **New Member Class (Conference Rm)** 

Tuesday, Oct. 22nd 6:30PM **Church Council Meeting (H)** 

Friday, Oct. 25th 6:15PM

Saturday, Oct. 26th 12-4PM

**Sunday, Oct. 27th 11:30 AM** 

Wednesday, Oct. 30th 7PM

Thursday, Oct. 31st 9AM

Thursday, Oct. 31st 4PM

Friday Nov. 1st 6:00-8:00 PM

Finance Meeting (H)

Book Study "Elderhood:..." (H)

**Ecumenical Food Pantry (Good Shepherd)** 

**Fall Festival Community Celebration of the Arts** 

**New Member Class (Fellowship Hall)** 

Bishop's Day on the District

**Popcorn Making and Packing** 

HALLOWEEN POPCORN HANDOUT

Pizza & Game Night

#### WE WELCOME ALL!

Visiting with us today? Please fill out a Visitor Card found in our pews, thank you!

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www.facebook.com/MilfordUMC.

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