



MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 28, 2024 | 4th Sunday after the Epiphany

10:00 AM Theme: Roots

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor

Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God commanded, and we were created.

God sustains us and enables us to grow.

Praise God, all who seek to live in faithfulness.

Glorify God's name and join the loving community.

Forgiveness is key to working together, just as God forgives us.

We are called to do everything out of love, because God loved us first!

* 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

*PRAYER OF CENTERING

God of us all, remind us that we are never alone in our journey of faith. Thank you for the community both near and far that walks alongside us. When we experience division in your beloved family, help us to remember our common bond in Jesus Christ. Give us your Spirit of compassion, kindness, humility, patience, and love in our relationships with one another. May our life together show the world what is possible through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

UMH 110++

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Colossians 3:12-17

NT p. 201

SERMON

"Holy Conferencing"

BELL CHOIR

"Christ is the World's Light"

arr. Jeffrey Fornoff

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

*PASSING THE PEACE

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

"To God Be the Glory (verse 1)"

UMH 98++

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Uniting God, we give today knowing and trusting that you will use our gifts to strengthen our bonds with your people around the world. As our love grows stronger, may our light shine brighter so that when people look at us, they see your son, Jesus Christ, the light of the world. It is in his name we pray. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

UMH 140++

*SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

GREETER | Gail Darcy **LITURGIST** | Lorna Cuevas
FLOWERS | Sign up with office **FELLOWSHIP** | Liz Steen

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:** Meetings Begin Thursday, March 7th 9:30 AM

PRAYER LIST: Jane Frey, The Whateley Family, Betty Kenyon, Fred Meyers, Renee Dellarocca, David Heim, Nancy Heim, Doug Houskeeper, Pam Houskeeper, Marie Fornoff, Agnes Halsey, Martha Peldunas, David Kent, James Bennet, Joan Pauley, Ali Fitzgerald, Roger Fitzgerald, Gloria Schneider, Karen Boehning, Arlene & Emil Moglia, Ernie Balch, Michael Gilmore, Debbie Conklin, Carl Hendrick, Lori Sheppard, Richard Holt, Gretel Metzger, Nancy McKeen, Steve Urban, Raymond Vetter, Brian Sheppard, Rose Belcastro, Jeanette Hendrick, Patrick Hall, Barbara Urban, Lee Malone, Ellen Lee, Joan Wortman, Henry Salidino, Bill Davis, Jim Lordi, Christine Pasquarosa, Patty Reynolds, Casey Peguero, Linda Klee, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Diane Siconolfi

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

- **February 11th Collecting for Souper Bowl of Caring**
- **Tuesday, January 30th 6:30 PM-Church Council Meeting (Hybrid)**
- **Friday, February 2nd 6-8 PM Game Night w/ Pizza (RSVP please)**
- **Wednesday, February 7th 6 PM – Trustees Meeting (Hybrid)**
- **Tuesday, February 13th 5 PM - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**
- **Wednesday, February 14th 7PM - Ash Wednesday Worship Service**



THE PASSION PLAY
Living the Story of Christ's Last Days

Beginning February 21, join us on Wednesdays in Lent from 6-7:30pm for soup supper and a video study inspired by the Oberammergau Passion Play. Live the story of Christ's last days through the German city's historic presentation that has been kept alive for over 400 years, and find your own place in the story of Jesus.

It is time for one of our most beloved mission projects, "THE SOUPER BOWL OF CARING" Send us videos or photos of yourself, your kids, grandkids, enjoying soup, making soup or with the cans of soup you will donate! Send them to milfordmethodists@gmail.com and we will post on our Social Media to spread the word and get everyone excited to "Souper Bowl...Soup, Souper Bowl!"



WE WELCOME ALL!

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

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.milfordmethodists@gmail.com or (570) 296-6124.



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