



MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 9th, 2025 | 22nd Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 AM

Theme: Choosing Faith
Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor
Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

PRELUDE "Contemplation" Steven Scott

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Even though we don't always feel it, God is with us.
The darkness and doubt of the world can threaten to consume us.
Yet God is with us.
All around us, there is fear and hopelessness.
Yet God brings hope and peace. We place our trust in God's abundant love.
Let us freely and without fear open our hearts to God's healing words of hope. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** "My Hope is Built"(verses 1-3) UMH 368++

* 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
Give ear to our prayers, gracious God, and attend to our cries. We call on you, knowing that you will answer and make your way known to us. We seek to follow the path you show us. We take courage, knowing that you are kind and just in all you do. When we need assurance, you gather us in the shadow of your wing. As we mature in faith, you give us wings to fly on our own. Meet each one of us in our particular need this hour, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Haggai 2:1-9 OT p.878
SERMON "Living Faith"

ANTHEM "Jubilate Deo" Jay Althouse

PASTORAL PRAYER
LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

OFFERING & OFFERTORY "Give Me the Faith Which Can Remove" Henry Carey
***DOXOLOGY** "Give Thanks" TFWS 2036++

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**
Faithful God, the One who stands with us in ruins and renewals alike, may your compassionate care continue to rain down on us. As we bring our offerings, we remember not only what was, but we dare to believe in what will be. Use these gifts to build your beloved community in lives made whole, relationships restored, and justice pursued. May your peace dwell richly in what we offer and how we live, that the glory of this house—the people called by your name—might truly shine. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** "Standing on the Promises"(verses 1&4) UMH 374++

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

***SENDING FORTH**

***POSTLUDE** "I Know Whom I Have Believed" James McGranahan

IMPORTANT CHURCH INFORMATION

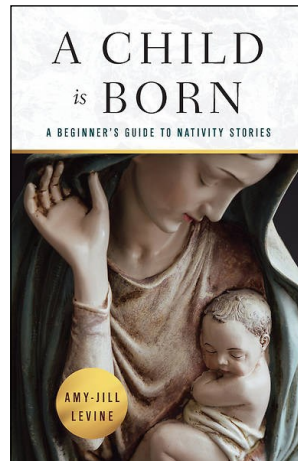
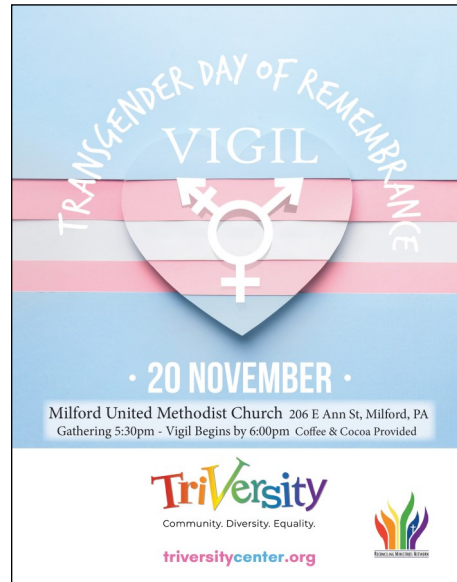
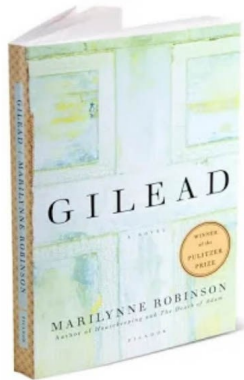
GREETERS | Brenda Hughes & Dori Stewart **LITURGIST** | Liz Steen
NURSERY | Rebecca Masters **FELLOWSHIP** | Pot Luck Celebration of Consecration Sunday

FAITH & FICTION BOOK CLUB

We meet in person for a literary discussion on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM in the MUMC Conference Room. Hot beverages and light snacks are provided.

November's book is the Pulitzer Prize-winning *Gilead* by Marilynne Robinson. If you'd like to join the 11/20 meeting, just read the book and bring a passage, theme, or question to discuss!

Text Linnea (570 977 5006) and/or Jodi (845 699 1682) with any questions.



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:** Thursdays 9:30 AM

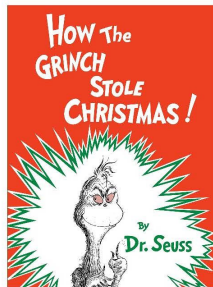
MEETING SCHEDULE and MEETING ZOOM LINK: bit.ly/MUMCZoom

- **Friday, Nov. 14th 6:00pm—** Ecumenical Food Pantry (Good Shepherd)
- **Thursday, Nov. 20th 5:30PM—** Trans Day of Remembrance Vigil & Service
- **Thursday, Nov. 20th 7:30PM—** Faith & Fiction Book Club (Conference Room)
- **Sunday, November 23rd 4:00PM—** Community Thanksgiving Service
- **Monday, November 24th 6:00PM—** Advent Study and Soup Supper
- **Saturday, December 6th 2:30PM—** "How The Grinch Stole Christmas"

Pastor Jenn will be on vacation Nov. 11-20, 2025. Rev. Sungduk Kim @ (570) 828-2288 from Dingmans Ferry UMC will be available for Pastoral Care Coverage

PRAYER LIST: Family of Eileen Binney, Carolyn Grossmann, Linda Ryder, Family of Arlene Moglia, Derrick White, Breanna Lubrano, Marie Fornoff, Eva W., Scott Seltzer, Barbara Cooper, Beth Klopfleisch, David Scheer, Mike St. Jean, Joanne Green, Sue Rhodes, Jacob Hernandez, Rebecca Suarez, Barbara Brown, Nazareth, Dianne Siconolfi, Joe Schneider, Jim Schneider, The Tedesco Family, John Rodriguez, Richard Holt, Geoff & Pam Sackett, Armando Avila, Agnes Halsey, David Kent, James Bennet, Joan Pauley, Lori Sheppard, Nancy McKeen, Steve Urban, Brian Sheppard, Barbara Urban, Lee Malone, Ellen Lee, Henry Salidino, Jim Lordi

WE WELCOME ALL! Visiting with us today? Please fill out a Visitor Card found in our pews and place in collection plate. Thank you.



Join us on **Saturday, December 6th at 2:30 pm** in the Sanctuary for a dramatized reading of Dr. Seuss' "*How The Grinch Stole Christmas!*"

Presented with musical accompaniment by members of our Adult Choir and Bell Choir.

This family friendly event is open to the entire community! *Spend the day in Milford enjoying festive activities, culminating in the Tree Lighting at the Visitors Center.*

Advent Video Study and Soup Supper

Mondays at 6:00pm
Nov. 24, Dec 1st, 8th, 15th



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