



## MILFORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 15, 2023 | 2nd Sunday after Epiphany | 10:00 AM

Theme: Beatitudes

Jennifer Lovallo, Pastor

Jeffrey Fornoff, Music Director

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Be still before God, and wait patiently. Delight in God, who fulfills the desires of our hearts.

***With what shall we come before God? Who is worthy to stand in God's presence?***

We come, not in our wisdom, but in humility. We come, not to boast, but to learn.

***We come without power or pretension. We bring our weaknesses more than strength.***

### \*PRAYER OF CENTERING

*Eternal God, whose foolishness is wiser than our wisdom, and whose weakness is stronger than our strength, draw us to yourself. We delight in the abundance of prosperity with which you have blessed us. Even more, we delight in the gifts we have received in Christ Jesus. With glad rejoicing, we approach you to find those mountain tops from which to make sense of our lives. Bless us, we pray, in ways we least expect, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### \*OPENING HYMN

"Amazing Grace"

UMH 378++

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Exodus 4:10-12

OT pg. 82

Matthew 5:1-2, 5

NT pg. 8

### SERMON

"Stand Up for Humility"

### ANTHEM

"Sing a New Song to the Lord"

By Natalie Sleeth

### PASTORAL PRAYER

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

### \*PASSING THE PEACE

### \*OFFERING & DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 94++

### \*CLOSING HYMN

"Here I Am, Lord"

UMH 593++

### \*SENDING FORTH

### POSTLUDE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE and MEETING ZOOM LINK:** [bit.ly/MUMCZoom](https://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:

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Tuesday, January 24, at 6:00 PM. Online

**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.

**SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12.** Throughout the month of January, the Outreach Team invites you to bring your cans of soup to the sanctuary on Sundays.. Or, you can deliver them to the church office (M-Th 9-12). Your gifts will support both the Ecumenical Food Pantry as well as our own Little Food Pantry. **In 2022, we collected 871 cans and over \$125 in cash and gift cards.** Questions? Contact Jack Donson, Chair. As of today we have 25 cans of soup, keep up the good work. Here is the picture of what we have.



**GREETERS** | Jane Frey **LITURGIST** | Gregg Rhodes  
**FELLOWSHIP** | Lorna Cuevas

\*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:** Joyce Van Nest and Family, Raymond Vetter, Jeffrey Buyse, Ernie Kotschessa, Steve Urban, Safety of Police Officers, Ruth Townsend, Bill Kanen, the family of Bill Davis, Jr., Marilyn Schultz, Nicole Dunn Hernandez, Jay Norejko, The Family of Ros Williams, The Family of Nancy Farr, Brian Sheppard, Eileen Rail, Thomas Rail, Rose Belcastro, the Family of Robbie Schneider, the Family of Cesar Lecha, 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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***The church office will be closed Monday, January 16.***