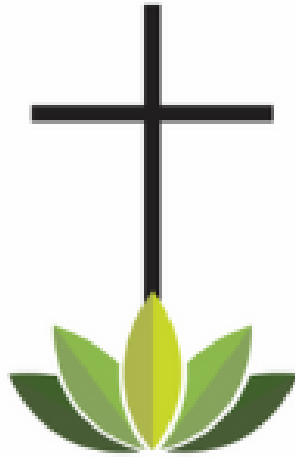


We Warmly Welcome You to



Milton Lutheran Parish

Serving God through faith formation, worship,
service, evangelism, and fellowship.

August 1, 2021
Annual Congregational Meeting

In Person & LIVE Streamed from the Sanctuary at Trinity Lutheran at 9:30 a.m.
on the Milton Lutheran Parish YouTube Channel

Visit <https://miltonlutheranparish.faith/> to link to the LIVE worship

(Bold italic items to be spoken by congregation.)

Flowers Today as you enter the sanctuary please take a moment to be inspired by the beauty of the flowers. This week they have been generously provided by Joe & Krista Yaiko, in memory of our loved ones.



Welcome to Worship

Thank you for joining us today. Whether you've worshipped with us before or this is your first time, we want you to know that you are welcome. As Christians we recognize that each of us comes to worship just as we are. God loves us and so we love others, no expectations, no judgement, only acceptance, grace, and love.

As a community we have certain traditions in how we worship. You are invited to join with us in those traditions. Please know that there is no pressure, and that you can worship in whatever way feels most comfortable to you.

There are times during the service that you will be invited to stand or sit as a way of engaging our whole selves in worship. If you are worshipping online, we invite you to sit or stand from wherever you may be. You will also be invited to join us as we sing our hymns out of the Evangelical Lutheran Worship (Red Book- ELW) or With One Voice (Blue Book- WOV). If you are joining us online the songs will be made available to you in this bulletin. You may also participate by speaking the parts of the service that are ***Bold Italicized***.

Offering- Everyone is invited to give an offering before or after worship. There are baskets located at the rear of the sanctuary for you to place your offering. If you are worshipping online you are welcome to send your offering directly to our parish office at 100 Mahoning St. Milton, PA. All of the offerings we receive are used to accomplish the mission of our parish. Please know that you are in no way obligated to give financially. If you are not in a place to give, please know that we are just glad that you chose to worship with us.

Communion- We do receive communion each week as a community. If you are joining us in person you will receive a communion kit when you arrive. Inside the kit is a wafer and a container of wine. When it comes time for communion, you'll be asked to open the containers and receive the bread and wine. If you are joining us online you may use your own bread, wine and/or grape juice for communion. If you do not have wine or grape juice you can receive communion with just the bread. We believe communion to be the ultimate expression of God's love and forgiveness in our lives. Anyone that desires to feel that love and forgiveness is encouraged to receive communion, without exceptions.

Kids in Worship- We encourage children to join us in worship and participate as best as they can. We believe that all sound and movements are precious to God, especially those that come from our youngest participants. If your child needs to stretch their legs or their vocal cords, they are welcome to do that in our worship space. If you would rather have them participate somewhere where they have some more freedom, then we encourage you to escort them to the chapel located in the back of the sanctuary. Regardless of your decision, please know that they are welcome here!

Thank you again for joining us today. We pray that this worship sends you out into the world energized to share God's love with everyone you meet!

Gathering Music

News and Announcements

Call to Order

Kellie Brouse and Krista Yaiko



Prayer

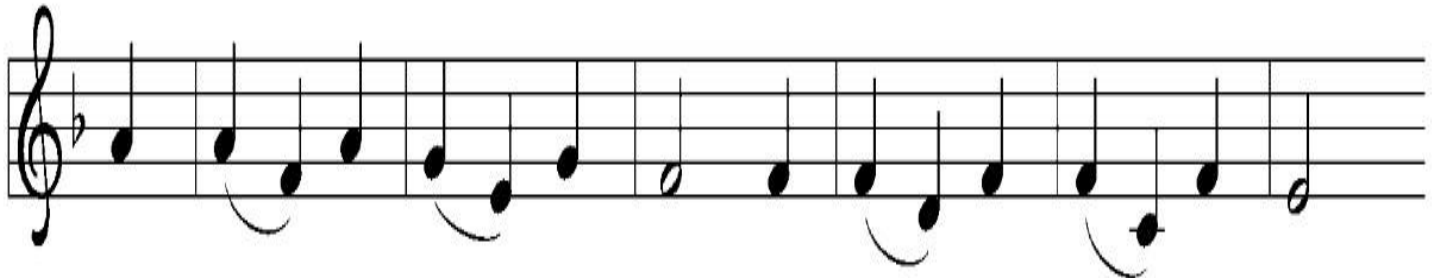
Pastor Gary Schaeffer

Adoption of the Rules of Procedures

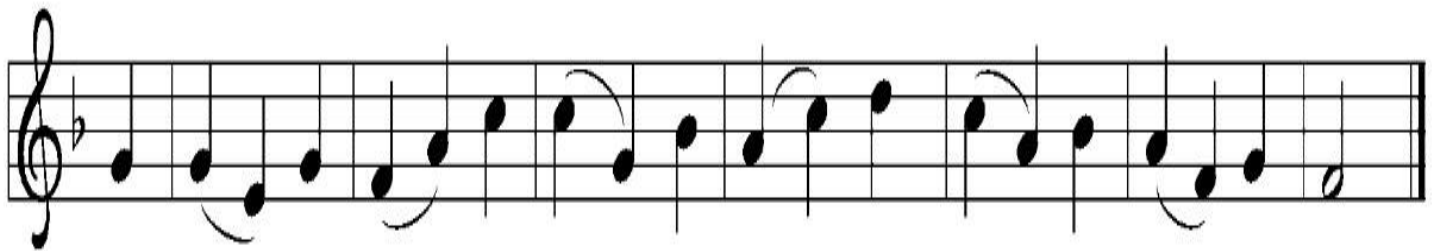
Kellie Brouse and Krista Yaiko

Opening Song – “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” (ELW 656) Please sing the 1st and 4th verses.

John Warfel



- 1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris-tian love;
- 2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne we pour our ar - dent prayers;
- 3 We share our mu - tual woes, our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
- 4 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;



the u - ni - ty of heart and mind is like to that a - bove.
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
and per - fect love and friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: John Fawcett, 1740–1817, alt.

Music: DENNIS, Johann G. Nägeli, 1773–1836, adapt.



Motion- By December 31, 2021, Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church and Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church dissolve their status as individual congregations and merge to create one congregation.

Prayer

Bishop Barbara Collins

Voting

Song- "O God Our Help in Ages Past"

Piano Duet performed by John Warfel & Nancy Walters

Scripture Reading- John 17: 1-26

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

17 After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

⁶ "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸ for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹ I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹ And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³ But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴ I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵ I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

²⁰ "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so



that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵“Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

Song “The Church’s One Foundation” (ELW 654) Please sing the 1st and 5th verses.

John Warfel



1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
 by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
 Oh, bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900
 Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876



Voting Results

Bishop Barbara Collins

Sermon- "So They May Be One"

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

Song "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" (ELW 618) Please sing the 1st and 3rd verses.

John Warfel



1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me
wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es



feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield me with your might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.
I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt.

Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932



Adoption of the budgets

Kellie Brouse and Krista Yaiko

Closing of the Meeting

Kellie Brouse and Krista Yaiko

Prayers of Intercession

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

Great Thanksgiving

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise:

beyond the stars; beneath the sea;

within each cell; with every breath.

We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness:

through the water; by night and day;

across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son:

at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer;

beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

We thank you, O God.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,



shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end,
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit:

in our gathering; within this meal;

among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus,

by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;*

and forgive us our debtors as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

Communion Song

John Warfel

Communion

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Communion Song

John Warfel

Communion Blessing

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.



Communion Song-

John Warfel

Blessing

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

The God of steadfastness and encouragement
grant you to live in harmony with one another,
in accordance with Christ Jesus.

Amen.

Closing Song "We Are One In The Spirit"

John Warfel

We Are One In The Lord And We Pray That All Unity
May One Day Be Restored
And They'll Know We Are
Christians By Our Love, By Our Love;
Yes, They'll Know We Are Christians
By Our Love!

We Will Walk With Each Other
We Will Walk Hand In Hand And Together We Will Spread The News,
That God Is In Our Land
And They'll Know We Are
Christians By Our Love, By Our Love;
Yes, They'll Know We Are Christians
By Our Love!

We Will Work With Each Other
We Will Work Side By Side And We'll Guard Each Man's Dignity,
And Save Each Man's Pride.
And They'll Know We Are
Christians By Our Love, By Our Love;
Yes, They'll Know We Are Christians
By Our Love!

Sending

Pastor Gary Schaeffer



Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

John Warfel

News and Announcements from the Parish

Sunday, August 8 - Community Meal is served in drive-by style at Christ Lutheran Church at 1125 Mahoning Street Milton at 5:00 P.M. Takeout meal of pork BBQ, coleslaw, baked beans and desert. If you'd like to volunteer to help set up, serve, or clean up please contact the parish office at 570-742-4601.

Tuesday, August 17 - Parish Team Meetings Meetings of the Digital Ministry, Worship, Discipleship, Property and Outreach teams at 7:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall at Trinity 100 Mahoning St.

Saturday, August 28 - Pig Roast We are having a Parish Pig Roast on Saturday August 28 starting at 5 P.M. In addition to the yummy food there will be music and activities for all ages! Come out and join the fun!

Pastoral Coverage - Pastor Gary will be out of the office beginning Saturday, August 7th and returning on Sunday, August 15th for Worship Service. Pastor Justin Lingenfelter will be providing Pastoral coverage while he is away. If you have a Pastoral emergency please contact the parish office and our parish administrator, Robin will contact Pastor Lingenfelter for you. The office hours are Mon, Tue, Thu 9 A.M. to 2 P.M. and Wed Noon to 5 P.M. The office phone number is 570-742-4601.

This Week at Milton Lutheran Parish . . .

Sun., Aug. 1 **Annual Congregational Meeting** 9:30 A.M. Worship Service at Trinity.
Live stream available

Tue., Aug. 3 **Happy Birthday Pete Karchner!**

Wed., Aug. 4 **Happy Birthday Ernest Delp!**

Happy Birthday Karen Walize!

Bible Study is Posted to Website and Social Media

Fri., Aug. 6 **Happy Birthday Angelina Ulmer!**

Happy Anniversary John & Judy Farr!

Happy Anniversary John & Karen Martello!

Sat., Aug. 7 **Happy Birthday Joan Fisher!**

Sun., Aug. 8 **Happy Birthday Don Fisher!**

9:30 A.M. Worship Service at Trinity with Bishop Barbara Collins.

Live stream available.

Community Meal at Christ Church 5 P.M. All meals are served as take out.



Milton Lutheran Parish Leadership Team	
Pastor	Gary Schaeffer
Parish Organist, Music Director	John Warfel
Parish Office Administrator	Robin A. McKean-Power
Digital Ministry Coordinator	Seth Reitz
Sexton/Custodian	Chuck Stahl and Helen Billhime
Treasurers	Rich Handy, Carol Yost, Craig Lawler, and Lorraine Lawler
Groundskeeper	Bob Greenly
Parish Council	Don Fisher, President; Krista Yaiko, Vice President; Lynnette Weisner, Secretary; Rose Handy, Bill Heimbach, Donna Spear
Christ Council	Kellie Brouse, President; Don Fisher, Vice President; Penny Ulmer, Secretary; Rich Handy, Treasurer, Kay Dunn, Nancy Walters, Tonya Wargo, Donna Spear
Trinity Council	Krista Yaiko, President; Jeff Coup, Vice President; Crystal Gnidovec, Secretary; Kate Budman, Kevin Fry, Bill Heimbach, Connie Stover, Dawn Russell, Cindy Trapane
Worship Team	Jeff Coup, Kellie Brouse, Nancy Walters, Sue Warfel, John Warfel
Digital Ministry Team	Aaron Coup, Rick Coup, Seth Reitz, Stephen Moll, Donna Spear
Outreach Team	Connie Stover, Kay Dunn, Claire Weisner, Lynnette Weisner, Carol Yost, Linwood Hill, Krista Yaiko, Karen Martello
Discipleship Team	Rose Handy, Ed Coup, Kate Budman, Kellie Brouse
Parish Ministry Team	Penny Ulmer, Rose Handy, Lynette Weisner, Ruth Scott, Joe Yaiko and Cindy Coup
Parish Property Team	Don Fisher (point person for Christ) Chuck Stahl (point person for Trinity), Bob Greenly, Rusty Brouse, Helen Billhime, Bill Heimbach, Seth Reitz, Joe Yaiko

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Fill in the blanks below with the memory verse, then find those words in the puzzle above.

“And _____ to have _____
 to _____, the _____,
 and _____,
 _____ you _____.” John 17:3

