



# MILTON LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Fostering Community through Faith, Love & Service*



**MORNING PRAYER**

**FEBRUARY 9TH 2025**

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## **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 judgment, only acceptance grace, and love.

*(Bold italic items to be spoken by congregation.)*

We would like to give special thanks to our worship leaders.

### **WORSHIP LEADERS & VOLUNTEERS**

**Pastor:** Gary Schaeffer

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**Worship assistant:** Penny Ulmer

### **WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS**

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**Worship Setup:** Ann Mellman

**GATHERING MUSIC**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GREETING**

# BAPTISMAL SONG: "Come, All You People"

## Come, All You People *Uyaimose*



*U - ya - i - mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;*  
1 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Most High;  
2 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Sav - ior;  
3 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Spir - it;



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come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Spir - it;



*u - ya - i - mo - se Zvi - no.*  
come now and wor - ship the Lord.  
come now and wor - ship the Lord.  
come now and wor - ship the Lord.

Text: Alexander Gondo; tr. I-to Loh, b. 1936, alt.

Music: UYAIMOSE, Alexander Gondo

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## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Water! Water! We praise you, O God, for water—  
The West Branch of the Susquehanna Watershed,  
the rain that nourishes animals and plants,  
the water for drinking and bathing.  
We praise you, O God, for water.

*We praise you, O God, for water.*

We praise you, O God, for our water stories—  
a flood that cleansed the earth,  
the sea that drowned the enemy,  
a river that healed leprosy.  
We praise you, O God, for water.

*We praise you, O God, for water.*

We remember the waters of Jesus—  
baptized in the Jordan River,  
calming the Sea of Galilee,  
drinking from Jacob's Well,  
healing at the pool of Bethesda,  
washing the disciples' feet.  
We praise you, O God, for water.

*We praise you, O God, for water.*

As we gather for worship today, we remember how you connect each of us to another in time and place. In this place, where people have gathered for thousands of years beginning with the Susquehannock tribe, then the first immigrants in what would become Milton, to today where people of all different

backgrounds, traditions, and beliefs gather for worship. You bring us together in remembrance of our baptism. We praise you, O God, for baptism.

*We praise you, O God, for baptism.*

O God, you are the Ocean, sustaining this earth.

O God, you are the River, saving us from death.

O God, you are the Fountain, granting us health and well-being.

We praise you, O God,

today, tomorrow, forever.

Amen, and amen.

*Amen, and amen.*

## OPENING

O Lord, open my lips, *and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.*



Give glory to God, our light, and our life.

*Oh, come, let us worship and praise.*

**HYMN: ELW 413 "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!"**

## Prayer of the Day

Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

*Amen.*

**CHOIR ANTHEM: "We Are Called to Be His Servants"**

**SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 5:1-11**

<sup>1</sup> Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup> he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup> He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. <sup>4</sup> When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup> Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." <sup>6</sup> When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. <sup>7</sup> So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup> But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup> For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that

they had taken; <sup>10</sup> and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.” <sup>11</sup> When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

## SERMON

**HYMN: ELW 574 “Here I Am, Lord**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

God of surprising abundance, you call your people to enter deeply into the world. Equip us to respond to your call, gather up what we have, and offer it to all. God of grace,

***hear our prayer.***

God of creation, provide protection from the elements and other hazards to all whose work brings them outside: for fishers, ranchers, line workers, and construction crews. Guide us to live carefully alongside the wonders of the land and waters. God of grace,

***hear our prayer.***

Open the hearts of all leaders, especially those who serve in the armed forces, that they respond to their commission with wisdom and patience. Ensure that all who serve are kept safe in body, mind, and spirit. We pray for an end to all war and armed conflict.

God of grace,

***hear our prayer.***

Fill with your compassionate presence all who are suffering from addiction, mental illness, injury, or illness of any kind. Draw helpers to their side so that they find relief from their burdens.

God of grace,

***hear our prayer.***

Call our faith communities to do marvelous things. Bless the labor and efforts of this congregation, that we may be a sign of your presence in the world. God of grace,

***hear our prayer.***

We thank you for those who have courageously gone before us in the faith. May we too show a deep trust in you throughout our lives. God of grace,

***hear our prayer.***

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

***Amen.***



# Let My Prayer Be a Fragrant Offering

*Refrain*



Let my prayer be a fra-grant of-fer-ing, as in-cense to you a - rise.



Let my prayer be a fra-grant of-fer-ing, my hands lift-ed up in praise.



- 1 O Lord, I call to you,                      come quick - ly to my side.
- 2 Please watch my lips, O Lord,            and guard the words I say.
- 3 My eyes are turned to you,                O Lord, my liv - ing God.

*Refrain*



O Lord, please hear my voice; lis - ten when I cry.  
Please turn my heart to you; chase my sin a - way.  
I look to you for help; be my faith - ful rock.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Gracious God, *as we gather around this table to receive the gift of your grace, we offer ourselves to you. All we have, everything we are, and everything we will be, comes from you. We give you thanks, offer our time, gifts, and resources as people of God. Moved by your Spirit we ask that these gifts may be instruments of your love as we seek to love others. Amen.*

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

*And also, with you.*

Lift up your heart.

*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

O God most mighty,

O God most merciful,

O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life.

When the earth was a formless void, you formed order and beauty. When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child.

When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom.

Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, and the psalmists cried out for healing, and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother. He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city.

With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

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 to 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 death, we cry out Amen. ***Amen.***

Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. ***Amen.***

Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen. ***Amen.***

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal.

O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself.

O God, you are wine: warm our hearts and make us one.

O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly, O God our strength and our song, you show us a vision of a tree of life with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations.

Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son, the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior, life in you, now and forever.

***Amen.***

**Lord's Prayer**

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

By ALBERT H. MALOTTE

SLOWLY

B $\flat$  F/B $\flat$  B $\flat$ /D E $\flat$ 6 Fsus F

OUR FA - THER WHICH ART IN HEAV-EN,

7 B $\flat$ /D GM Cm7 F7sus F7 B $\flat$ (ADD2) B $\flat$

HAL-LOW - ED BE \_\_\_\_\_ THY NAME.

12 GM GM9 Gdim7 Dm GM Cm/G C7/G D

THY KING-DOM COME; THY WILL BE DONE \_\_\_\_\_

17 N.C. GM E $\flat$  B $\flat$ /F F7sus B $\flat$ sus B $\flat$

ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAV - EN.

23 E $\flat$ /B $\flat$  B $\flat$ E $\flat$ /B $\flat$  B $\flat$  E $\flat$ /G Cm/G F7 B $\flat$  E $\flat$ /G B $\flat$ /F E $\flat$  B $\flat$ /D GM7 E $\flat$ /G F7

GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAI - LY

30 B $\flat$  GM6 GM6/D GM6/B $\flat$  Asus A EM7( $\flat$ 5)/A A

BREAD, AND FOR-GIVE US OUR DEBTS AS WE \_\_\_\_\_ FOR-GIVE OUR DEBT-ORS.

35  $E_m7(\flat 5)/A$   $A$   $N.C.$   $B\flat$   $E\flat sus2/G$   $E\flat/G$



AND LEAD US NOT IN-TO TEMP-TA - TION, BUT DE-

39  $C7/G$   $F(ADD2)/A$   $Dm/A$   $F7/E\flat$   $B\flat/D$   $E\flat 6$



LIV - ER US FROM E - VIL. FOR THINE IS THE KING-DOM AND THE

43  $C7/E$   $E\flat m/G\flat$   $G\flat+$   $E\flat m6/G\flat$   $B\flat/F$   $Cm/F$   $F7$



POW-ER AND THE GLO - RY FOR - EV -

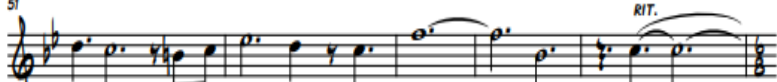
47  $N.C.$   $E\flat 6$   $B\flat MAJ7$   $Cm7/F$   $F7$   $B\flat$   $E\flat 6$



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51  $C7/E$   $E\flat m/G\flat$   $G\flat+$   $E\flat m6/G\flat$   $B\flat/F$   $Cm7$   $N.C.$   $Cm$   $Cm7/F$   $F7$

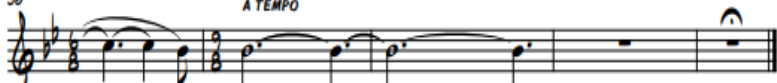
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56  $F7sus$   $E\flat/G$   $B\flat/F$   $E\flat$   $B\flat sus2/D$   $B\flat/D$   $N.C.$   $E\flat/G$   $B\flat/F$   $E\flat 6$   $B\flat$

A TEMPO



- MEN! \_\_\_\_\_

# This Is Christ's Body



This is Christ's bod - y, bro - ken and blest. Feed us with



mer - cy and love. We are Christ's bod - y,



bro - ken and blest. Heal us and make us one.

Text: Anne Krentz Organ, b. 1960

Music: BROKEN AND BLESSED, Anne Krentz Organ

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## COMMUNION

*The Body of Christ given for you.*

*The Blood of Christ shed for you.*

# COMMUNION SONG: "Bread of Life from Heaven"

## Bread of Life from Heaven

*Refrain*



Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en, we



eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.



- 1 Break now the bread of Christ's sac - ri - fice; giv - ing
- 2 Seek not the food that will pass a - way; set your
- 3 Love as the one who, in love for you, gave him -
- 4 Dwell in the one who now dwells in you; make your
- 5 Drink of this cup and de - clare his death; eat this



thanks, hun - gry ones, gath - er round. Eat, all of you, and be  
hearts on the food that en - dures. Come, learn the true and the  
self for the life of the world. Come to the one who is  
home in the life - giv - ing Word. Know on - ly Christ, Ho - ly  
bread and be - lieve Eas - ter morn; trust his re - turn and, with



sat - is - fied; in Christ's pres - ence the loaves will a - bound.  
liv - ing way, that the full - ness of life may be yours.  
food for you, that your hun - ger and thirst be no more.  
One of God, and be - lieve in the truth you have heard.  
ev - 'ry breath, praise the one in whom you are re - born.

*Refrain*

Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952

Music: ARGENTINE SANTO, BREAK NOW THE BREAD; Argentine traditional, refrain; Marty Haugen, b. 1950, stanzas  
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## COMMUNION BLESSING

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen.*

## HYMN: ELW 787 “On Eagle’s Wings”

## SENDING

Together we at the Milton Lutheran Church

*Foster community through faith, love, and service.*

Go forth in faith, to live out our mission.

*Thanks be to God.*

## POSTLUDE



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# Prayer Requests

## PRAYER LIST

JANIE BLOOM  
THE FAMILY OF DAVE AND SHIRLEY ROBINSON  
DONALD POTTS  
KENNETH GAUGLER  
AARON MURRAY  
DENISE BAKER  
FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF ERNEST DELP JR.  
FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF SARMAE RADEL  
FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF NANCY BROWN  
TERRY SHULTZ  
RICHARD SNYDER  
DIANNE PERRIN  
RUTH GREENLY  
STEVEN GREENLY  
JENNIFER SUE SATTESON  
ERIKSON FAMILY  
TRESHA SUDOL  
FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF GERALD GREENLY

## HOMEBOUND

MARY BILLHIME  
MARY AND MELVIN CRIST  
HELEN NAPP  
MARY ANN SOLOMON  
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