

*We Warmly Welcome You to*



*Milton Lutheran Church*

Fostering Community through Faith, Love and Service

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Third Sunday after Epiphany

The Pastor Gary Schaeffer

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

**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!**

Today as you enter the sanctuary, please take a moment to be inspired by the beauty of the flowers. This week's flowers were generously donated by Linwood Hill in Memory of Dale, Wilma and Barb Hill.



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**Communion Assistant:** Helen & Chuck  
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**We want to share a special thank you to all the volunteers that are helping lead worship today. We give thanks for their gifts and willingness to serve.**

**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 now 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.

**Gathering Music:**

**Welcome & Announcements:** Gary Schaeffer, Pastor

**Greeting:**

**Prayer:** Kellie Brouse, Worship Assistant

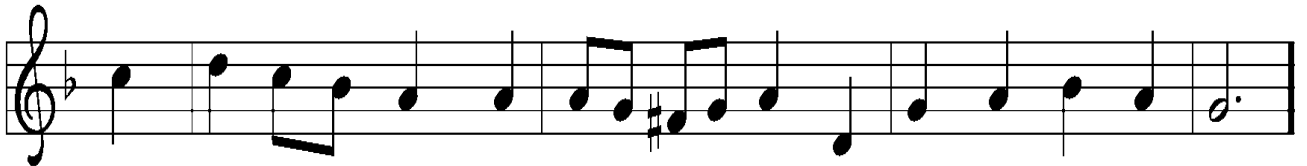
Gracious God as we gather today for worship let us take a moment and remember the gift of your grace in our lives. Help us celebrate that gift as we sing, as we hear your word, and as we pray. Guide our thoughts and feelings so that the Holy Spirit may move us to love one another. **AMEN**

**Opening Song:** ELW 873 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"!

# Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

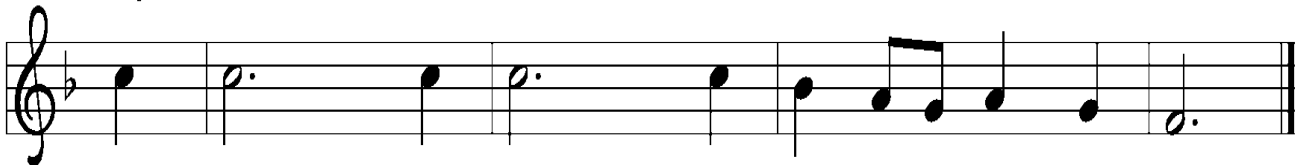


- 1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing;  
2 With voice as full and strong as o - cean's surg - ing praise,  
3 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints on earth  
4 Still lift your stan - dard high, still march in firm ar - ray,



your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your king.  
send forth the stur - dy hymns of old, the psalms of an - cient days.  
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.  
as pil - grims through the dark - ness wend till dawns the gol - den day.

## *Refrain*



Re - joice!            Re - joice!            Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

5 At last the march shall end;  
the wearied ones shall rest;  
the pilgrims find their home at last,  
Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*

6 Praise God who reigns on high,  
the Lord whom we adore:  
the Father, Son, and Spirit blest,  
one God forevermore. *Refrain*

## Gospel Reading: Mark 5:21-43

21 When Jesus had crossed again in the boat\* to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. 22 Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet 23 and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' 24 So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. 25 Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. 26 She had endured much under many physicians and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. 27 She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, 28 for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' 29 Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. 30 Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' 31 And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?"' 32 He looked all round to see who had done it. 33 But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell before him, and told him the whole truth. 34 He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace and be healed of your disease.'

35 While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' 36 But overhearing\* what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' 37 He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. 38 When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. 39 When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' 40 And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. 41 He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' 42 And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). This is they were overcome with amazement. 43 He strictly ordered them that no one should know this and told them to give her something to eat.

**Sermon:** 'Where does it hurt?'

**Song:** ELW 722 "O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate"

## O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate



- 1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.
- 2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,
- 3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,
- 4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar - row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.  
so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.  
that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.  
whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme  
Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,  
We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield  
come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.  
and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.  
that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.  
whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

**Prayer:** Kellie Brouse, *Worship Assistant*

(Lyrics) Lord Listen to your children praying, Lord send your spirit in this place, Lord listen to your children praying, Send us love, Send us power, send us grace.

Holy God, we know that you hear our prayers. You are the God of hospital rooms and graveside services. You are the God who felt a touch in a crowd. You are the God who sees and knows all pain. You are the God of the hurt and the healing, so we know— you hear us today.

*Lord Listen to your Children Praying*

So, with open hearts and open palms, gracious God, we come to you with our joy and our pain. With joy, we give you thanks for all the blessings in our lives... For the new ministries of this church, especially pub theology, our movers and shakers, and hiking groups, the welcome table, and the self-care sanctuary.

For the sound of children laughing on the lawn, for sunny days, for doctors and nurses, for frontline workers, for Zoom and Facetime that allow us to connect, for baby pools in backyards and sidewalk chalk affirmations in the front. We have so much to be thankful for, and we know that you are part of all that.

*Lord Listen to your Children Praying*

And yet in that same breath, we also carry pain. Like the hemorrhaging woman who pushed her way toward you in a crowd, we desperately need your ears, your grace, your healing touch. So today we lift to you all the hurt and pain we carry. We pray especially for conflicts in our families, for people struggling with addiction, anxiety, fear, and grief. For broken friendships and partnerships, and for people struggling with the reality of hate in the world. We lift these things to you. Holy God, we know, that you are listening.

*Lord Listen to your Children Praying*

We know that you are here, as you are here with us each day. For you are the God of hospital rooms difficult conversations, graveside services, new beginnings, new experiences, joy and laughter, we give thanks that you are among us now, and each day. Draw us closer to one another and closer to you.

*Lord Listen to your Children Praying*

**Special Music:**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Gary Schaeffer - *Pastor*

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. Trusting in your mercy and moved by your Spirit we ask that these gifts may be instruments of your love as we seek to love others. Amen.*

## The Great Thanksgiving

Gary Schaeffer - *Pastor*

The Lord be with you.

***And also, with you***

Lift your hearts.

***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is indeed right to give God our thanks and praise. For from the beginning of time God created everything around us. All of creation, the people we come in contact with, the emotions we feel, and of course God's only son, Jesus.

Who sacrificed himself on our behalf so that we could experience the love and forgiveness that sustains us each day and that we could be free from sin to show that love to others.

And so we remember how thousands of years ago, Jesus sat down for a meal with his disciples. How he 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.

So, we gather around this bread and wine, as a community and as individuals, remembering this sacrifice and being reminded of his love for each of us. As we eat of this bread and drink of this wine let celebrate this gift as together, we pray....

***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 trespasses,  
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

Gary Schaeffer - *Pastor*


The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.


## Communion Song:

### You Are Holy *Du är helig*


<sup>1\*</sup>




*Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer*  
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



*än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.*  
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.

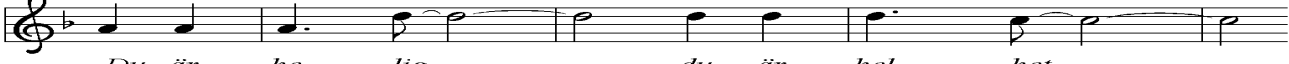


*Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu.*  
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here




*väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.*  
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

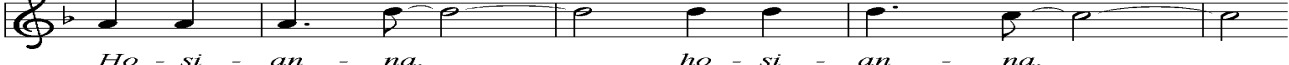
<sup>2</sup>




*Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,*  
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



*du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!*  
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



*Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,*  
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



*ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.*  
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!



**Communion Blessing:** Gary Schaeffer, Pastor

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace now and forever.  
Amen

**Closing Song:** ELW 773 "Precious Lord, Take my Hand"

**Blessing**

Kellie Brouse, *Worship Assistant*

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,  
so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Sending**

Kellie Brouse, *Worship Assistant*

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

*Happy Anniversary!*

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NO ANNIVERSARIES TO ANNOUNCE



- 1/23 Helen Billhime
- 1/24 Kate Budman
- 1/27 Bonnie Gaugler
- 1/27 David Walize

**PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR:**

*Jo Ann Galbraith, Joanie Fisher, Ken Gaugler, Rose and Terry Deaner, Mary Billhime, Ed Coup, Patsy and Jack Aunkst, Julie Benschhoff, Gerald Greenly, Melvin Crist, April and Schuyler, Ernie Delp, Tyler Morton, Gary & Martha Gill, Sue Trate, Mae Jones.*  
***If you know someone who needs to be added or removed from the prayer list, please call the church office.***

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MONDAY	9AM-3PM
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FRIDAY	OFFICE CLOSED

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