

*We Warmly
Welcome You to*



Milton Lutheran Church

*Fostering community through faith,
love and service*

October 2, 2022
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Prayer
The Rev. Gary Schaeffer

In Person & LIVE Streamed from the Sanctuary at Milton Lutheran Church
at 9:30 a.m. on the Milton Lutheran Church YouTube Channel
Visit <https://miltonlutheranchurch.org> to link to the LIVE worship.

(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 they have been generously provided by Mary Ellen Bartholomew's children in memory of her.**

We would like to give special thanks to our worship leaders; **Gary Schaeffer: Pastor, John Warfel: Director of Music, Nancy Walters: Assistant Director of Music and Nancy Walters: Worship Assistant.** As well as our, **Greeters: Helen Billhime and Nancy Brown.** We would also like to thank our **Worship Set Up Team: Sue Warfel and Chuck Stahl** and our **Communion Assistants: Penny Ulmer and Cindy Coup.** These people volunteer their time to make our sanctuary unique, welcoming and beautiful every week.

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

Greeting

Baptismal Song: *All Are Welcome*



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and

live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to
wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where

hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through

vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in

Refrain

Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 claim the faith of Je - sus:
 Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,

all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Let us pray...

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: We give you thanks, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created heaven and earth. By the gift of water all around us. Especially, the West Branch of the Susquehanna River Watershed, you nourish and sustain us and all living things.

Blessed be God now and forever.

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.

Blessed be God now and forever.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, so that those who are here may be given new life. Wash away the sin of all those who are cleansed by this water and help them to remember that it is through your love we receive the gift of grace.

Blessed be God now and forever.

To you be given praise and honor and worship through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Opening

O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.
Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be forever. Amen.

Give glory to God, our light and our life.

Oh, come, let us worship and praise.

Song: “God Is Here!” (ELW 526)

Prayer of the Day

Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 2:1-12

¹Therefore we must pay greater attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it. ²For if the message declared through angels was valid, and every transgression or disobedience received a just penalty, ³how can we escape if we neglect so great a salvation? It was declared at first through the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him, ⁴while God added his testimony by signs and wonders and various miracles, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit, distributed according to his will.

⁵Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere, “What are human beings that you are mindful of them,

or mortals, that you care for them? ⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, ⁸subjecting all things under their feet.” Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, ⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying, “I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

Choir Anthem: “We Are the Church”

Gospel Acclamation

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of staves, each with a treble and bass line. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

System 1:

- Leader(s):** Lis - ten to the word of God.____
- Assembly:** Al - le - lu - ia.

System 2:

- Leader(s):** Hear the liv - ing word.____
- Assembly:** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

System 3:

- Assembly:** Lis - ten to the word of God.____
- Assembly:** Al - le - lu - ia.



Gospel Reading: Mark 10:13-16

Sermon: “Jesus Loves Me”

Gary Schaeffer, Pastor

Song: “O Master, Let Me Walk with You” (ELW 818)

Prayers

Longing for Christ’s reign to come among us, we pray for the outpouring of God’s power on the church, the world, and all in need.

Mighty God of mercy, we thank you for the resurrection dawn, bringing the glory of our risen Lord who makes every day new.

Pause for a moment of silence

Especially we thank you—

for the sustaining goodness of your creation . . .

for the new creation in Christ and all gifts of healing and forgiveness . . .

for the gifts of relationship with others . . .

for the communion of faith in your church . . .

for the thanksgivings lifted up today in this community of faith...

Pause

Merciful God of might, renew this weary world, heal the hurts of all your children, and bring about your peace for all in Christ Jesus, the living Lord.

Especially we pray—

for those who govern nations of the world . . .

for the people in countries ravaged by strife or warfare . . .

for all who work for peace and international harmony . . .

for all who strive to save the earth from carelessness and de-

struction . . .

for the church of Jesus Christ in every land . . .

for the concerns lifted up today in this community of faith...

Pause

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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 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.

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 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 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 (Sung)

Our Father, which 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 debts as
 we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but
 deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
 and the glory, Forever, Amen.


Leader



Come, _____ come, _____ come to the ta - ble in love. _____
 come to the ta - ble in need. _____
 come to the ta - ble in truth. _____
 go from the ta - ble in peace. _____

(for sending) Go, _____ go, _____ go from the ta - ble in peace. _____

Assembly



We come to - geth - er in Je - sus' name. _____
 We come to - geth - er in Je - sus' name. _____
 We come to - geth - er in Je - sus' name. _____
 We go to live in Je - sus' name. _____



We come to the ta - ble in love. _____
 We come to the ta - ble in need. _____
 We come to the ta - ble in truth. _____
 We go from the ta - ble in peace. _____

Additional stanzas (ad lib.):

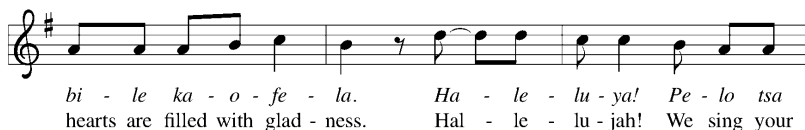
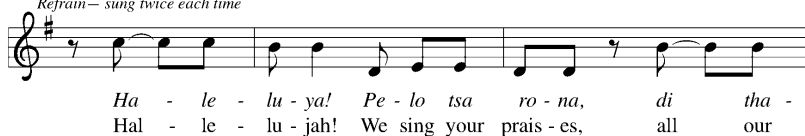
Come . . . in hope
 Come . . . with thanks
 Come . . . in song
 Come . . . with friends
 Come . . . and eat

Communion

*The Body of Christ given for you.
The Blood of Christ given for you.*

Post Communion Cantic

Refrain— sung twice each time



Repeat stanza, then sing refrain



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.

Song “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” (ELW 759)

Blessing

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

Amen.

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.

Amen.

The God of all grace + bless you now and forever.

Amen.

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

*Remember to pick up a copy of the
October Newsletter before you leave.*

What's Happening at MLC

Sun, Oct. 2	Adult Sunday School, 8am Morning Prayer Worship, 9:30am Pet Blessing, 1pm Confirmation, 5pm Youth Group, 6pm
Mon, Oct. 3	Boy Scouts, 6pm Getting Ahead Planning Mtg, 6pm
Tue, Oct. 4	TOPS, 10am
Wed, Oct. 5	Boy Scouts, 6pm Pastor's Bible Study, 7pm
Thu, Oct. 6	Getting Ahead, 5:30pm Outreach Committee Mtg, 7pm
Fri, Oct. 7	Parents Helping Parents Group, 3:30pm
Sun, Oct. 9	Adult Sunday School, 8am Traditional Worship, 9:30am Building Transition Team Mtg, 10:30am Fellowship Hour, 10:30am Hiking Group, 12:30pm
Mon, Oct. 10	Boy Scouts, 6pm
Tue, Oct. 11	TOPS, 10am
Wed, Oct. 12	Boy Scouts, 6pm Getting Ahead Board Mtg, 6pm Pastor's Bible Study, 7pm
Thu, Oct. 13	Getting Ahead, 5:30pm
Fri, Oct. 7	Parents Helping Parents Group, 3:30pm

Happy Birthday



10/5 Sharon Greiner

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please call the church office with these dates.

Please Join Us In Prayer For...

Jaime Evock, Jo Ann Galbraith, Joanie Fisher, Ken Gaugler, Rose & Terry Deaner, Mary Billhime, Ed Coup, Patsy & Jack Aunkst, Julie Benshoff, Gerald Greenly, Jim Seidel & Family, Melvin Crist.

If you know someone who needs to be added or removed from the prayer list, please call the church office.

TIME
to smile!



*Be sure to stay after worship
and get your picture taken!*

A JOURNEY THROUGH LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM



by heart

Wednesday Evenings @ 7:00 P.M.
September 14th-October 26th

Have you ever found yourself wondering what Lutherans believe? Maybe you have been a lifelong Lutheran, but feel like you need a refresher course on the tenants of the Lutheran faith. You may be new to the Lutheran church and want to find out more. If any of these things are true for you then this is the course for you! Join us for this seven week course led by Pastor Gary!



Buffalo Valley Conference of the Upper Susquehanna Synod ELCA

The Buffalo Valley Conference spans all of Union County and the upper portion of Northumberland County. Buffalo Valley Conference has its own Facebook page where we share community events happening within our conference.

Check it out here, www.facebook.com/bvcuss/

And don't forget to  LIKE the page!

Free hygiene/
self-care
products to
anyone that
needs them.

Sunday
November 6th
11:30am-1pm

Self- Care Sanctuary



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100 MAHONING ST. MILTON, PA



Coming this November! We will be distributing hygiene products and self care items to people in our community. We will be collecting donations for the following items through **October 9th**.

- **Shampoo-** Men's and Women's
- **Body Wash-** Men's and Women's
- **Bar Soap-** Men's and Women's
- **Tooth paste-** Adult and Children
- **Tooth Brushes-** Adult and Children
- **Facial Tissue Boxes**
- **Toilet Paper-** 4 Packs



This year we will be partnering with United In Christ and Saint Paul's to host a fall festival and trunk-or-treat.

We are looking for volunteers who are willing to decorate their trunks and hand out candy. Volunteers can sign up on the bulletin board in the main entryway.

Not sure how to decorate your trunk?

You can buy Trunk-or-Treat Kits on Amazon for around \$15!

Want to help bless children this Halloween but don't want to decorate a trunk? We are also in need of candy. All candy donations can go in the box labeled Halloween candy donations, which is in the main entry.



Our hiking group has two hikes planned for October.

1. The Mile Run Trail. October 9th. This is a loop that starts from a parking area at the north side of the Mile Run Exit off I-80 outside the PennDOT maintenance area. We will meet at the Church Parking lot at 12:30 pm to car-pool to the parking area. The hike is about 2.5 miles up a nice trail then about 2.5 miles back down a gravel road to the starting point. Sturdy hiking shoes are suggested since the trail up is rocky and uneven most of the way. A daypack with water, walking stick(s), and a snack would be a good idea too.

2. The Bob Webber Trail at Pine Creek Valley. October 22nd
We will meet at the church parking lot at 9:00 and car-pool to

the Ross Run Access Area along the Pine Creek Trail. The drive to the trailhead is about 1 ¼ hours. The Ross Run Parking area is on the left of the road. Dress, in layers as it will be chilly in the morning, but you will want to shed a layer hiking up the 1,300' mountain side. You will need a day pack with plenty of water and a lunch to be eaten as we enjoy the beauty at the top and a walking stick(s).



Scout Troop 605 Chicken BBQ



1/2 Chicken, Mac & Cheese,
Baked Beans & Bun

October 22nd Noon to
3pm Milton Lutheran
Church

\$10.00 per meal

**Contact Dean Crites for
Tickets**

570-490-1196



MILTON LUTHERAN CHURCH

100 MAHONING ST. MILTON, PA

SENIORS MINISTRY

WED. OCTOBER 19TH, 11:00 A.M- 1:00 P.M.

MEAL

CONVERSATION

BINGO

SAVE THE DATE!

FRIENDSGIVING PARTY!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH, 2022

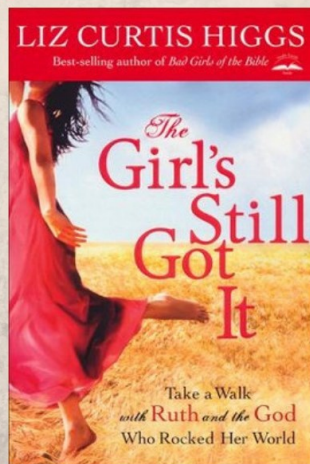
2:00 P.M. @ CAMP MOUNT LUTHER

BUFFALO VALLEY CONFERENCE CONGREGATIONS

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Resumes Sunday,
September 11th @
8:00 A.M.

Join us as we read Liz Curtis
Higgs' book on the biblical
character Ruth. Everyone is
welcome!



*“A perfect blend of humor, extensive research,
descriptive language, and insightful commentary...”*
Publishers Weekly

Tuesday, November 1st

5:00 P.M.

Discussion

Worship

Service

THE WELCOME

TABLE

Meal

An intergenerational worship experience like none other....

Play

Community

The welcome table is a new kind of intergenerational worship for people of all ages. Our first gathering will be on Tuesday, November 1st at 5:00 P.M. in the fellowship hall. We hope you will join us for worship, a meal, discussion, and fellowship. Bring someone along with you!

The background of the flyer features a close-up of several wine glasses filled with red wine, set against a blurred background. On the left side, there is a small inset photograph of a man, Mark Alexander, smiling and holding a guitar. A large, semi-transparent red rectangle covers the right half of the image, serving as a backdrop for the event details.The logo for Camp Mount Luther, featuring a stylized cross with a green tree on the left and a red triangle on the right, with a yellow sun or moon above the cross.

CAMP MOUNT LUTHER'S

EVENING AT SHADE MOUNTAIN

Friday, October 28
6-8 p.m.
Details at
campaumluther.org

*Featuring music by
Mark Alexander*

Camp Mount Luther will have their annual Evening at Shade Mountain Winery. This is a fundraising opportunity to share fellowship, entertainment, and locally produced wine, all to benefit the camp. There will be a limit of 50 people for this year's event, which will run from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, October 28, 2022. Entertainment will be provided by Mark Alexander, a local acoustic musician. Menu to include heavy appetizers, desserts, and a complementary glass of wine. **If you would like to attend please sign-up at the church no later than October 9th.** Cost is a donation. Consider a donation equal or greater to the food and entertainment provided. If you choose to purchase any bottles of wine that evening, camp receives a portion of the proceeds.

MILTON LUTHERAN CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM	
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Asst Director Of Music	Nancy Walters
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Digital Ministry Coordinator	Seth Reitz
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Treasurer	Rose Deaner
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Digital Ministry Team	Aaron Coup, Rick Coup, Seth Reitz, Gaven Russell, Garrett Russell, Ellie Schaeffer
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Property Team	Don Fisher, Chuck Stahl, Bob Greenly, Rusty Brouse, Helen Billhime, Bill Heimbach, Seth Reitz, Joe Yaiko

OFFICE HOURS

Monday	1pm - 5pm
Tuesday	2pm - 5pm
Wednesday	1pm - 5pm
Thursday	1pm - 5pm
Friday	Office Closed

Please feel free to Email or drop off bulletin announcements
or newsletter articles.

Pastoral Office Hours

Mon, Tue, Wed & Thursday 10 A.M. to 3 P.M.

Please call the office to reserve time to speak with Pastor Gary.

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