# We Warmly Welcome You to



# Mílton Lutheran Church

Fostering community through faith, love and service

## November 6, 2022 All Saints Sunday

Contemporary Service 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 <u>https://miltonlutheranchurch.org</u> to link to the LIVE worship.

## (Bold italic items to be spoken)

Today as you enter the sanctuary please take a moment to be uplifted and inspired by the beauty of the flowers. This week they have been generously provided by Steve Smith and Family in memory of Dick, Joy and Tom Smith.

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 Kellie Brouse: Worship Assistant. As well as our, Greeters: Don and Peggy Fisher. We would also like to thank our Worship Set Up Team: Judy Farr and Helen Billhime, and our Communion Assistants: Joe and Krista Yaiko. These people volunteer their time to make our sanctuary unique, welcoming and beautiful every week.

#### 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.

#### **Gathering Music**

Welcome & Announcements Gary Schaeffer, Pastor

### **Remembrance of Saints**

Lord, have mercy. *Lord have mercy.* Christ, have mercy. *Christ, have mercy.* Lord, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.* 

C: Be gracious to us. Deliver your people. You loved us before the world was made. You rescued the people of your promise. You spoke through your prophets. You gave your only Son for the life of the world. P: Hear us, O God.

C: For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven. And was born of the virgin Mary. Who by his cross and suffering has redeemed the world. And has washed us from our sins. Who on the third day rose from the dead. And has given us the victory. Who ascended on high. And intercedes for us at the right hand of God. P:Great is your love.

C: For the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church. For the great cloud of witnesses into which we are baptized. For Sarah and Abraham, Isaac and Rebekah. For Gideon and Deborah, David and Esther. For Moses and Isaiah, Jeremiah and Daniel. For Moses and Isaiah, Jeremiah and Daniel. For Miriam and Rahab, Abigail and Ruth. For Mary, mother of our Lord. For John, who baptized in the Jordan. For John, who baptized in the Jordan. For Mary Magdalene and Joanna, Mary and Martha. For James and John, Peter and Andrew. For Paul and Apollos, Stephen and Phoebe. For all holy men and women, our mothers and fathers in faith.

P: Thanks be to God.

C: For the noble band of the prophets. For the glorious company of the apostles. For the white-robed army of martyrs. For the cherubim and seraphim, Michael and the holy angels. For all those we remember, all those we honor, all those whose witness brought us to faith....

For healing, for care, for compassion, for hope. For their leadership, example, and love.

P: Thanks be to God. C: *Be gracious to us. Deliver your people.*  Give new life to these chosen ones by the grace of baptism. Strengthen all who bear the sign of the cross. Clothe us in compassion and love. Bring us with all your saints to the river of life. P: Hear us, O God. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

**Recognition of Saints:** (A candle is lit as and the bell is rung as each name is read)

Those who have passed the gate of death into eternal life from November 1, 2021 to October 31, 2022:

Lin Davis	9/21/2022
Nancy Cochran	7/6/2022
Mary Lou Benshoff	5/25/2022
Polly Dehart	4/12/2022
Doris Moore	9/26/2022
Darlas Yost	11/3/2021
Tim Shrawder	1/15/2022
Pat Engleman	10/16/2021
Dottie Brouse	4/12/2022

**Personal Prayer and Reflection** (Everyone is invited to take time in prayer as they remember the names of the people who have gone before them. There is a table in the front of the sanctuary with candles. If you feel so moved, you are welcome to come forward and light a candle in remembrance of those who have died. Special music will be played during this time in recognition of the Holy Spirit's presence in our lives and in our gathering.)

### Prayer

Gracious God, you have enriched us with such a wonderful church. We have so many faithful examples to draw from, and so many stories of faith and trust in you. We lift our prayers to you now. May the stories of those from the past be able to encourage us, and may we be able to shine your light, so that future generations may look back on our example and feel the same trust and conviction that we do. Amen.

## 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: "When the Saint's go Marching in"

Oh, when the saints go marching in, oh, when the saints go marching in, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in.

Oh, when the Lord in glory comes, oh, when the Lord in glory comes, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the Lord in glory comes.

Oh, when the new world is revealed, oh, when the new world is revealed, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the new world is revealed.

Oh, when they gather round the throne, oh, when they gather round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that number when they gather round the throne.

And on that hallelujah day, and on that hallelujah day, O Lord, I want to be in that number on that hallelujah day.

Scripture Reading: Luke 6:20-31 Gary Schaeffer, Pastor

<sup>20</sup>Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you

who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. <sup>21</sup>"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. <sup>22</sup>"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup>Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. <sup>24</sup>"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. <sup>25</sup>"Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. <sup>26</sup>"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

<sup>27</sup>"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup>bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. <sup>29</sup>If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. <sup>31</sup>Do to others as you would have them do to you.

#### Sermon: "For All the Saints" Gary Schaeffer, Pastor

### Song: "In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone my hope is found He is my light, my strength, my song This cornerstone, this solid ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm What heights of love, what depths of peace When fears are stilled, when strivings cease My comforter, my all in all Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh Fullness of God in helpless babe This gift of love and righteousness Scorned by the ones He came to save Till on that cross as Jesus died The wrath of God was satisfied For every sin on Him was laid Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay Light of the world by darkness slain Then bursting forth in glorious day Up from the grave He rose again And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death This is the power of Christ in me From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny No power of hell, no scheme of man Can ever pluck me from His hand Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

**Prayers:** Lord Listen to your Children Praying 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.

Let us open our hearts and minds and lift our prayers together trusting that God not only hears our prayers, but through the Holy Spirit, works to make us whole.

God of forgiveness, each of us comes before you today with heavy hearts. We have all done and said things that we shouldn't have. We have fallen short of your call to love our neighbors as ourselves. We ask that your grace be known to us now so that we can know your mercy, and through your love, be released from sin.

Lord Listen to your Children Praying...

God of comfort and strength. Help all those who are sick in mind, body, or spirit. Heal the wounded and the afflicted. Comfort us in our grief, sickness and pain. Let us all be reminded that you walk alongside each of us every single day of our lives and that your love sustains us. We pause now to lift our worries to you.

## Lord Listen to your Children Praying...

God of joy and thanksgiving. There is so much in the world that we have to be thankful for. For the gift of life, for all of creation, family and friends, and this community of faith Oh God. We give you thanks. We pause now to lift our thanksgivings to you.

## Lord Listen to your Children Praying....

God of life. You call us out into the world as followers of Christ so that others may experience your love. Guide our comings and goings and give us the strength to share your good news with everyone we come in contact with, whether that be through our words or actions.

## Lord Listen to your Children Praying...

## The Great Thanksgiving

Gary Schaeffer, Pastor

The Lord be with you *And also with you* 

Lift up 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.

**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.

#### Communion

Gary Schaeffer, Pastor

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.



## **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: "For All the Saints"

For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine, we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the distant triumph song, and hearts are brave again and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest; sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the saints triumphant rise in bright array; the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,

singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

## 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. *Amen* 

## 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



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

## Please Join Us In Prayer For...

Tresha Sudol, Frannie Brouse, 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.

# What's Happening at MLC

Sun, Nov. 6	<b>POINSETTIA ORDER DEADLINE</b> Adult Sunday School, 8am Contemporary Worship, 9:30am Self-Care Sanctuary, 11:30am-1pm Confirmation, 5pm Youth Group, 6pm
Mon, Nov. 7	Milton Rotary Meeting, 12pm Boy Scouts, 6pm
Tue, Nov. 8	TOPS, 10am
Wed, Nov. 9	Boy Scouts, 6pm
Thu, Nov. 10	Getting Ahead, 5:30pm
Fri, Nov. 11	Parents Helping Parents, 3:30pm
Sun, Nov. 13	Adult Sunday School, 8am Morning Prayer Worship, 9:30am Fellowship Hour, 11am Pastor's Bible Study, 11am Sharing Our Tables Community Meal, 4pm
Mon, Nov. 14	Milton Rotary Meeting, 12pm Boy Scouts, 6pm
Tue, Nov. 15	TOPS, 10am Merry Makers Senior Group, 10:30am
Wed, Nov. 16	Boy Scouts, 6pm
Thu, Nov. 17	Getting Ahead Mtg, 5:30pm
Fri, Nov. 18	Parents Helping Parents, 3:30pm



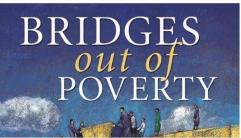
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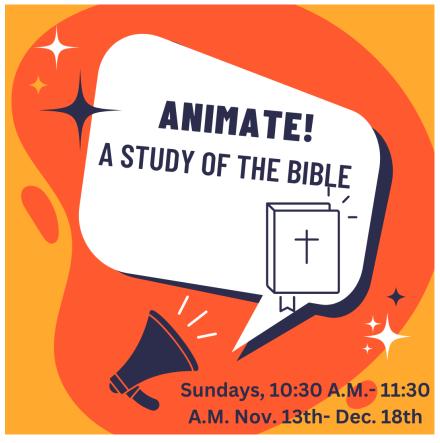


Sunday, Nov. 6th 2pm - 4pm

Milton Lutheran Church, 100 Mahoning Street, Milton, PA 17847



Interested in attending this FREE workshop? Contact Rose Williams at: © 570-238-0478
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As we finish up our By Heart bible study we are getting ready to start something new! Join us on Sunday mornings following worship for a bible study of studying the bible. Yep you heard that right! Pastor Gary will lead us through a 6 week program of looking at the bible, how we read it, it's history, and how to interpret it for our lives today. We will meet in the library and everyone is welcome!

## SHARING OUR TABLES FREE COMMUNITY MEAL A ministry partnership of Milton and West Milton congregations.

## 1125 Mahoning Street, Milton



Sunday, November 13 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Join us for a meal of salad, baked ziti with meatballs, garlic bread, and dessert.

Take-out is available.

Partners in Ministry: Milton Lutheran Church, Saint Paul's United Church of Christ, United In Christ Lutheran Church, and St. Paul's AME Church.

We have two meals coming up on Sunday, November 13 and a special holiday meal on Sunday, December 4. We have been feeding anywhere from 200-250 people! We couldn't do it without your help! There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the entryway for food donations and volunteers.

## We especially need volunteers!!





Join us on November 26th for a Christmas Craft Party! We will gather from 3:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M. for some fun, crafts, songs, cookies, and hot chocolate. If you are willing to volunteer to lead a craft table please sign-up in the main entryway or contact the church office by November 20th



## MILTON LUTHERAN CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

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#### **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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