

We Warmly Welcome You to



Milton Lutheran Church

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

November 14, 2021

25th Sunday After Pentecost

Contemporary Service

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)

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 the Coup Family to honor Anna, Bob and Tommy Coup, and all our service members.

We would like to give special thanks to our worship leaders; **Gary Schaeffer- Pastor, John Warfel- Music Director/Organist & Kellie Brouse Worship Assistant.** Also our , **Greeters - Cuff & Sharon Greiner, Communion Assistants - Helen Billhime & Chuck Stahl.**

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 church office at 100 Mahoning St. Milton, PA. All of the offerings we receive are used to accomplish the mission of our church. 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 be invited to come forward during worship in one line. Pastor Gary will administer the bread. You will then proceed to the left or right depending on which side of the church you are seated on. There will be pre-filled cups with wine or grape juice. Please take the cup and a communion assistant will administer the wine or juice. You may return to your seat from the outside aisle. Communion kits are available upon entry to the church for people who have mobility concerns or who prefer to stay seated. We will administer communion to people with the kits at the end of communion. 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 vocals, 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 take them in 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

John Warfel

Weekly Updates & Prayers

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

Prayer

Kellie Brouse

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:" - Opening Song:" - Medley: "Bring Forth The Kingdom" & "Seek Ye First"

Praise Team Sings

1) You are salt for the earth, O peo-ple: salt for the king-dom of God!

Share the flavor of life, O peo-ple: life in the king-dom of God! (*Refrain*)

2) You are a light on the hill, O peo-ple: light for the cit-y of God!

Shine so ho-ly and bright, O peo-ple: shine for the king-dom of God! (*Refrain*)

(All) Refrain: Bring Forth the king-dom of mer-cy, bring forth

the king-dom of peace; bring forth the king-dom of jus-tice. Bring forth the cit-y God!

(All) 1) Seek ye first the king-dom of God and it's righ-teous-ness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia.

2) Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek and you shall find; knock and the door shall be o-pened un-to you. Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia.

Gospel Reading- Mark 13:1-8

As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ²Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴"Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

Sermon: "Not One Stone"

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

Song: "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

*O-pen the eyes of my heart, Lord,
O-pen the eyes of my heart, I want to
see You, I want to see You.*

*To see you high and lifted up
shining in the light of Your glo-ry.
Pour out Your pow'r and love as we sing "Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly.*

Prayers

Kellie Brouse

(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

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....

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 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 Song:

John Warfel

Communion

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Communion Songs

John Warfel

Communion Blessing

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

Closing Song: "The Lamb"

John Warfel



1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice?
2 The Lamb, the Lamb, one per - fect fi - nal of - fer - ing.
3 The Lamb, the Lamb, as way - ward sheep their shep - herd kill.
4 He sighs, he dies, he takes my sin and wretch - ed - ness.
5 He rose, he rose, my heart with thanks now o - ver - flows.



Faith sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price!
The Lamb, the Lamb, let earth join heav'n his praise to sing.
So still, his will on our be - half the Law to fill.
He lives, for - gives, he gives me his own righ - teous - ness.
His song pro - long till ev - 'ry heart to him be - long.

Refrain



Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me his own!



The Lamb is reign - ing on his throne!

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Blessing

Kellie Brouse

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 (*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

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Please Join Us In Prayer For

Joanie Fisher	Kimberly Dill	Patsy Aunkst	Doris Heffelfinger
Ken Gaugler	Family & Friends	Jack Aunkst	Chole Henderson
Karen Smith	of Darlas Yost	Mary Lou Benshoff	Family and Friends of
Mae Jones	Russ Wynn	Terry Deaner	Pete Ishler
	Mary Billhime	Rose Deaner	Jim Seidel & Family

If you know someone who needs to be added or removed from the list please call the office, so that we may update the list.

This Week (& a little beyond) at Milton Lutheran Church

SUN., Nov. 14

8:00 AM Sunday School in the Library

9:30 A.M. **Worship Service.** Live stream available.



Sunday, November 14, Chili Cook-off, and Comedy Night 6:00 PM in the basement of the church. Join us for some time of fun and fellowship as we taste some great chili and enjoy a few laughs! Make your own Chili to be judged, share some funny stories, or jokes with friends and support Lutheran Disaster Response. We will be voting for our favorite chili by making monetary donations. All proceeds will go to Lutheran Disaster Response in support of those affected by hurricane Ida. A special trophy will be presented to the winner! Please bring 2 to 4 quarts of chili to be shared and judged, a way to keep it warm (crock pot or sterno) and your own serving spoon or ladle for dishing it out. We will provide serving bowls and utensils.

Psst... Pastor Gary says he makes the best chili ever! So, we need to bring our best chilis, I know we have some great cooks out there!

Wed. Nov 17

Wednesday evenings at 7:00 P.M. in the library. Pastor Gary will be leading bible study each week. If you'd like to join us online for Bible Study, please let the church office know and we will get you the zoom link.

Sun Nov 21

Sunday School 8:30 AM - All are encouraged to attend.

Worship at 9:30 AM. Live stream available.

Advent Bonfire 5:00 PM at Zion Lutheran Church 39 Paradise St. Turbotville, PA- All are invited to attend!

Youth Group 5:00 P.M. at Zion Lutheran Church.

Sun Nov 28

9:30 AM Hanging of the Greens Worship – see calendar for details.

Sun. Dec 5

Community Meal 5:00 PM – see below for volunteer & meal details.

Our Way Forward

Logo: A special thanks to the folks that helped us to choose our logo for the congregation! As a community we have decided to continue to use the existing logo. Stay tuned as we start to circulate this logo throughout the church with new banners, shirts, and advertising materials.

New Mission Statement: Our church leadership has also established a new mission statement that will serve as a guide for us as we seek to fulfill the mission that God has called each of us too. The new mission statement of the Milton Lutheran Church is: **Fostering community through faith, love, and service.** There is an insert in your bulletin, and we ask that you take some time to answer the questions and hand them into the church office. Our Ministry

planning team will use your answers as they continue the ministry planning process of establishing a vision, goals, and objectives for the years ahead.

Coming Next Month...

December 4th and 5th- Meal Prep and Meal distribution. Volunteers and donations needed.

Community Meal volunteer information: We will be making Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Ham Gravy, glazed carrots, rolls, and cookies. In addition to being invited to share in this meal there are a few different ways you can help out.

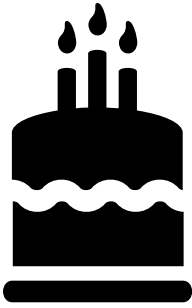
1. Volunteer for food prep on Saturday, December 4th from 9:00 A.M.-11:30 A.M. at 100 Mahoning St.
2. Volunteer for food distribution on Sunday, December 5th from 2:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M. at 1125 Mahoning St.
3. Donate food items for the meal. Donations must be dropped off to the church by Thursday, December 2nd. There is a sign-up sheet at the main entryway of 100 Mahoning St.

Sunday, Dec 5, Free Community Meal at 5:00 PM In partnership with St. Paul's AME, The Milton Lutheran Church & Saint Paul's United Church of Christ. **Served at 1125 Mahoning St., Milton.**
Menu: Ham, mashed potatoes, ham gravy, glazed carrots, apple sauce and a dinner roll. All meals will be provided as take out.

Sunday, Dec 19, Christmas Craft Party begins at 5:00 PM at United In Christ Lutheran Church. 1875 Churches Rd. Lewisburg. More details to follow.....

Wednesday, Dec 22, "Blue Christmas" 7:00 PM at Milton Lutheran Church, 100 Mahoning St. If you struggle with sadness or feel overwhelmed by grief at this time of year. This service is for you.

Friday Dec 24 Christmas Eve Service 7:00 PM Family Service & 11:00 PM Traditional Service



This Weeks Birthdays

Sunday 11/14

Dr Richard Klinetob

Friday 11/19

Bill Heimbach

Monday 11/15

Connie Stover

Saturday 11/20

Allene Engelman

Thursday 11/18

Cindy Kopyscianski

There were no wedding anniversaries listed for this week. If you have a wedding anniversary that falls between Nov 14th and Nov 21st please call the office to let us know, so we may include it in the future. Thank you for your assistance!

Updated Info:

Office Location: Milton Lutheran Church,
100 Mahoning Street, Milton, PA 17847,
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Website: <https://miltonlutheranchurch.org/> Be sure to follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and our YouTube Channel to connect with us online.

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Mark 13:2 - Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

