



# MILTON LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Fostering Community through Faith, Love & Service*



CONTEMPORARY

**JUNE 1ST 2025**

IN PERSON & LIVE STREAMED FROM THE  
SANCTUARY @ MILTON LUTHERAN CHURCH @  
9:30AM ON THE MLC YOUTUBE CHANNEL. VISIT  
[HTTPS://MILTONLUTHERANCHURCH.ORG](https://miltonlutheranchurch.org) FOR  
LINK TO LIVE WORSHIP.

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

## **WORSHIP LEADERS & VOLUNTEERS**

**Pastor:** Gary Schaeffer

**Director of Music:** John Warfel

**Assistant Director of Music:** Nancy Walters

**Worship assistant:** Penny Ulmer

## **WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS**

**Greeters:** Cuff and Sharon Greiner

**Communion Assistant:** Rich Handy and Rick Coup

**Worship Set Up:** Carol Yost

In Person & LIVE streamed from the Sanctuary at Milton

Lutheran Church at

9:30am on the Milton Lutheran Church YouTube Channel. Visit  
<https://miltonlutheranchurch.org> to link to the LIVE worship.

## **GATHERING SONG**

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

**SONG:** Open the Eyes of My Heart/

**My Savior, My God**

**Chorus**

Open the eyes of my heart Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You

I want to see You

## **Verse**

To see You high and lifted up  
Shining in the light of Your glory  
Pour out Your power and love  
As we sing holy holy holy

## **My Savior My God**

### **Verse 1**

I am not skilled to understand  
What God has willed what God has planned  
I only know at His right hand  
Stands One who is my Savior

### **Verse 2**

I take Him at His word and deed  
Christ died to save me this I read  
And in my heart I find a need  
Of Him to be my Savior

### **Pre-Chorus**

That He would leave His place on high  
And come for sinful man to die  
You count it strange so once did I  
Before I knew my Savior

### **Chorus**

My Savior loves my Savior lives  
My Savior's always there for me

My God He was my God He is  
My God is always gonna be

(REPEAT)

### **Verse 3**

Yes living dying let me bring  
My strength my solace from this spring  
That He who lives to be my King  
Once died to be my Savior

### **Ending**

My Savior lives my Savior loves  
My Savior lives my Savior loves my Savior lives

### **PRAYER**

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Amen.*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **SERMON**

## GOSPEL PASSAGE: Ephesians 4:1-13

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

<sup>7</sup>But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup>Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

<sup>9</sup>(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup>until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.

## SONG: No Longer Slaves

You unravel me with a melody  
You surround me with a song

Of deliverance from my enemies  
'Til all my fears are gone

I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God

From my mother's womb  
You have chosen me  
Love has called my name  
I've been born again to your family  
Your blood flows through my veins

I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God

Woah, Woah  
Woah, woah  
Woah, Woah  
Woah, Woah

You split the sea, so I could walk right through it  
My fears are drowned in perfect love  
You rescued me so I could stand and say  
I am a child of God

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My fears are drowned in perfect love  
You rescued me so I could stand and say  
I am a child of God  
I am a child of God  
Yes, I am a child of God

## PRAYERS

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.

Sung

*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call,  
answer me.*

*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and listen  
to me.*

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.

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 be reminded that you walk alongside us every day of our lives and that your love sustains us. We pause now to lift our worries to you...

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

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, whether that be through our words or actions.

Sung

*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, answer me.*

*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and listen to me.*

COMMUNION



## 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.*

## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

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

**SONGS DURING COMMUNION – 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;
3	Love	as	the	one	who,	in	love	for
4	Dwell	in	the	one	who	now	dwells	in
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
self	for	the	life	of	the	world.	Come	to	the	one
home	in	the	life -	giv - ing	Word.	Know	on -	ly	Christ,	Ho -
bread	and	be -	lieve	Eas -	ter	morn;	trust	his	re -	turn
									and,	with



*Refrain*

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
One	of	God,	and	be -	lieve	in	the	truth	you	have
ev -	'ry	breath,	praise	the	one	in	whom	you	are	re -
										born.

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## COMMUNION BLESSING

### BLESSING

May the God of creation bless our community, may Jesus the Savior open our hearts to all, may the Holy Spirit empower us with faith, creativity and stewardship to live and serve as people of God now and forever.

*Amen*

### SONG: Shout to the Lord

#### Verse

My Jesus, my Savior  
Lord there is none like You  
All of my days, I want to praise  
The wonders of Your mighty love  
My Comfort, my Shelter  
Tower of Refuge and Strength  
Let every breath, all that I am  
Never cease to worship You

#### Chorus

Shout to the Lord All the earth let us sing  
Power and majesty Praise to the King  
Mountains bow down And the sea will roar  
At the sound of Your Name  
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands  
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand  
Nothing compares to The promise I have in You.

#### Verse 2

My Jesus, my Savior

Lord there is none like You  
All of my days, I want to praise  
The wonders of Your mighty love  
My Comfort, my Shelter  
Tower of Refuge and Strength  
Let every breath, all that I am  
Never cease to worship You

### **Chorus**

Shout to the Lord All the earth let us sing  
Power and majesty Praise to the King  
Mountains bow down And the sea will roar  
At the sound of Your Name  
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands  
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand  
Nothing compares to The promise I have in You.

### **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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Monday- Thursday

9:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M.

Friday- Sunday

Office Closed

## Pastor's Office Hours

Monday- Thursday

10:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M.

*Please contact Pastor Gary to make an appointment.*

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# Prayer Requests



## **PRAYER LIST**

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AARON MURRAY

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FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF TRESHA SUDOL

FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF LEROY REITZ

JENNIFER SHRAWDER

DAVE GUFFEY

## **HOMEBOUND**

MARY BILLHIME

MARY AND MELVIN CRIST

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