

We Warmly Welcome You to



Milton Lutheran Parish

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

July 18, 2021

8th Sunday after Pentecost

Contemporary Service

In Person & LIVE Streamed from the Sanctuary at Trinity Lutheran at 9:30 a.m.
on the Milton Lutheran Parish YouTube Channel

Visit <https://miltonlutheranparish.faith/> to link to the LIVE worship

(Bold italic items to be spoken)

Flowers 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 Mike, Lynette, Amanda and Claire Weisner in loving memory of Ruppel & Gladys Weisner and Brandt & Peggy Weisner.

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 parish office at 100 Mahoning St. Milton, PA. All of the offerings we receive are used to accomplish the mission of our parish. 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 receive a communion kit when you arrive. Inside the kit is a wafer and a container of wine. When it comes time for communion, you'll be asked to open the containers and receive the bread and wine. 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:"- Medley: Lord I Lift Your Name on High & There is a Redeemer

John Warfel

*Lord I lift Your name on high; Lord I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life, I'm so glad You came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way, from the earth
to the cross, my debt to pay, from the cross to the grave,
from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name on high.*

1)There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

*Refrain : Thank you O my father, for giving us your son and
And sending your spirit till the work on earth is done.*

*3) When I stand in glory. I will see his face; There I'll serve my king forever, in that holy place.
(Repeat Refrain)*

Gospel Reading Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Sermon: "A Call to Action"

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

Song: "Lamb Of God"

1) Your only son no sin to hide, but you have Sent him from your side to walk upon this guilty sod and to become the Lamb of God

Refrain: Oh, Lamb Of God, sweet lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God. Oh, wash me in your precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God

3) I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side, to be led by your staff and rod and to be called a lamb of God. (repeat refrain)

Prayers

Kellie Brouse

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 us of 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

Pastor Gary Schaeffer

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

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Communion Song

John Warfel

Communion Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you 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 and Sending

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.

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

John Warfel

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Pastor Gary will be away on vacation from July 19th- 25th. If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact the parish office. Our office administrator will get you in contact with the person providing pastoral coverage. Pastor Lisa Barnes will be covering for Pastor Gary while he is away.

Monday, July 19 - Joint Council Meeting at 6:30 PM at Trinity Church – Open meeting all are welcome to attend.

Sunday, July 25 - Fellowship Hour with snacks and refreshments will take place after worship in the basement of Trinity on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Sponsored by Parish Council, we are hoping others will sign-up to host on other weeks.

Thursday July 29 - Discernment Discussion Meeting at 10 AM in the library at Trinity.

Sunday August 1 – Annual Congregational Meetings will take place on during worship. On this Sunday we will vote on our annual budgets, council members, and the motion presented by the parish leadership to merge our two congregations. Bishop Barbara Collins from the Upper Susquehanna Synod will be present for our meeting and worship.

Sunday, August 8 - Community Meal is served in drive-by style at Christ Lutheran Church at 1125 Mahoning Street Milton at 5:00 PM. If you'd like to volunteer to help set up, serve, or clean up please contact the parish office at 570-742-4601.

Saturday, August 28- Pig Roast We are having a Parish Pig Roast on Saturday August 28 starting at 5 P.M. More details are coming soon, but make sure you get this on your calendars! You will not want to miss it!

This Week at Milton Lutheran Parish . . .

- Sun. July 18** **Happy Anniversary Edward & Anne Kaye!**
Worship at 9:30 AM. Live stream available.
- Mon. July 19** Joint Council Meeting at 6:30 PM at Trinity Church
- Wed. July 21** **Happy Birthday to Deb Liebscher! Happy Birthday Ken Ulmer!**
Happy Birthday Amanda Wiesner!
Bible Study posted to website.
- Thu. July 22** **Happy Birthday Scott Solomon!**
- Fri. July 23** **Happy Birthday Vance Strawser!**
Happy Anniversary Rusty & Kellie Brouse!
Worship at 9:30 AM. Live stream available.
- Sat July 24** **Happy Birthday Wayne Liebscher!**
- Sun July 25** **Happy Birthday Veronica Neff!**
Worship at 9:30 AM. Live stream available. **Fellowship Hour to follow worship.**

Milton Lutheran Parish Leadership Team	
Pastor	Gary Schaeffer
Parish Organist, Music Director	John Warfel
Parish Office Administrator	Robin A. McKean-Power
Digital Ministry Coordinator	Seth Reitz
Sexton/Custodian	Chuck Stahl and Helen Billhime
Treasurers	Rich Handy, Carol Yost, Craig Lawler, and Lorraine Lawler
Groundskeeper	Bob Greenly
Parish Council	Don Fisher, President; Krista Yaiko, Vice President; Lynnette Weisner, Secretary; Rose Handy, Bill Heimbach, Donna Spear
Christ Council	Kellie Brouse, President; Don Fisher, Vice President; Penny Ulmer, Secretary; Rich Handy, Treasurer, Kay Dunn, Nancy Walters, Tonya Wargo, Donna Spear
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Discipleship Team	Rose Handy, Ed Coup, Kate Budman, Kellie Brouse
Parish Ministry Team	Penny Ulmer, Rose Handy, Lynette Weisner, Ruth Scott, Joe Yaiko and Cindy Coup
Parish Property Team	Don Fisher (point person for Christ) Chuck Stahl (point person for Trinity), Bob Greenly, Rusty Brouse, Helen Billhime, Bill Heimbach, Seth Reitz, Joe Yaiko

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When He disembarked and saw the vast crowd, His heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and He began to teach them many things.

- MARK 6:34

