



# MILTON LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Fostering Community through Faith, Love & Service*

**NOVEMBER 30TH 2025**

IN PERSON & LIVE STREAMED FROM THE  
SANCTUARY @ MILTON LUTHERAN CHURCH @  
9:30AM ON THE MLC YOUTUBE CHANNEL. VISIT  
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**CONTEMPORARY**

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:** Karen Fry

## **WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS**

**Greeters:** Cuff and Sharon Greiner

**Communion Assistant:** Connie Stover and Helen Billhime

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**

### **GREETING**

**SONG:** Days of Elijah

### **Verse 1**

These are the days of Elijah  
Declaring the Word of the Lord  
And these are the days  
Of Your servant Moses  
Righteousness being restored  
And though these are days  
Of great trials  
Of famine and darkness and sword  
Still we are the voice

In the desert crying  
Prepare ye the way of the Lord

### **Chorus**

Behold He comes  
Riding on the clouds  
Shining like the sun  
At the trumpet call  
So lift your voice  
It's the year of Jubilee  
And out of Zion's hill  
Salvation comes

### **Verse 2**

And these are the days of Ezekiel  
The dry bones becoming as flesh  
And these are the days  
Of Your servant David  
Rebuilding a temple of praise  
And these are the days of the harvest  
The fields are as white in the world  
And we are the laborers  
In Your vineyard  
Declaring the Word of the Lord

### **Bridge**

There is no god like Jehovah

There is no god like Jehovah  
There is no god like Jehovah  
There is no god like Jehovah (hey)

**Leader:**

In the days to come  
the mountain of the LORD's house  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be raised above the hill;  
all the nations shall stream to it.  
Many peoples shall come and say:

**All:**

*"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob;  
that God may teach us God's ways  
and that we may walk in God's paths."*

**Worship Assistant:**

With what shall we come to God's house?

**Leader:**

Bring branches of cedar and holly,  
bring evergreens and a pine tree,  
hang wreaths, lights and garlands.

All:

*Bring forth the sense of hope this advent season as we prepare our worship space, Listen to the words of the prophets.*

*Let us make our hearts and this space a place of inward and outward preparation for the One that gives us second birth.*

## HANGING OF THE GREENS

HYMN: ELW 257 "O Come O Come Emmanuel" (Verses 1)

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

We light one candle.

*And we pray for peace.*

We light one candle.

*And we pray that swords will be turned into plowshares.*

We look for the arrival of God's Son, our Prince of peace.

*Come to us, Prince of Peace*

## OPENING PRAYER

Good Lord, by your mercy  
guide our outward actions in such ways  
that our inward being is formed  
in faith, hope, and love.  
May the decorations we offer  
engage our senses during the days of Advent  
and enliven our praise and worship,  
in the name of the child of Bethlehem,  
our risen and coming savior, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

<sup>12</sup> Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup> For we were all baptized by<sup>[a]</sup> one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. <sup>14</sup> Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

<sup>15</sup> Now if the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. <sup>16</sup> And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. <sup>17</sup> If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? <sup>18</sup> But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. <sup>19</sup> If they were all one part, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup> As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

<sup>21</sup> The eye cannot say to the hand, “I don’t need you!” And the head cannot say to the feet, “I don’t need you!” <sup>22</sup> On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup> and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, <sup>24</sup> while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it, <sup>25</sup> so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have

equal concern for each other. <sup>26</sup> If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. <sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

## **SERMON “We are One Body”**

### **SONG: Shine Jesus Shine**

#### **Verse 1**

Lord, the light of Your love is shining  
In the midst of the darkness, shining  
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us  
Set us free by the truth You now bring us  
Shine on me, shine on me

#### **Chorus**

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy  
Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light

#### **Verse 2**

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence  
From the shadows into Your radiance  
By the blood, I may enter Your brightness  
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness  
Shine on me, shine on me

#### **Chorus**

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire  
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## PRAYERS

*(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 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. ***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 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, whether that be through our words or actions. ***Lord Listen to your Children Praying...***

## 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.

### COMMUNION SONG

# 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;	set your
3	Love	as	the	one	who,	in	love for you,	gave him -
4	Dwell	in	the	one	who	now	dwells in you;	make your
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 - ly	
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
food	for	you,	that	your	hun -	ger	and	thirst	be
One	of	God,	and	be -	lieve	in	the	truth	you
ev - 'ry	breath,	praise	the	one	in	whom	you	are	re -
									born.

Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952

Music: ARGENTINE SANTO, BREAK NOW THE BREAD; Argentine traditional, refrain; Marty Haugen, b. 1950, stanzas  
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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: Soon and Very Soon

## Soon and Very Soon



1 Soon and ver - y soon  
2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
3 No more dy - in' there,  
4 Soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon  
no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
no more dy - in' there,  
soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon  
no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King.  
no more dy - in' there,  
soon and ver - y soon



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

Text: Andraé Crouch, b. 1945

Music: VERY SOON, Andraé Crouch

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## 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

12:00 P.M.- 5:00 P.M.

Friday- Sunday

Office Closed

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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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