



- ◆ Please make sure your cell phones are turned off during worship, so that you can fast from texting and other distractions. Also, please refrain from bringing food and drink into the sanctuary.
- ◆ We hope there are enough bulletins for everyone who comes to worship, but in case we run out, they are accessible online.

WORDS OF WELCOME AND SHARING

Pastor Nancy

PRELUDE

Please use this time for silent meditation to center your hearts for worship.

* CALL TO WORSHIP (READ RESPONSIVELY)

How shall we live when lavished with love?

We live our lives filled with love for God and one another.

All things were made new in Jesus Christ, the Risen One.

Let us praise our wonderful God.

* OPENING PRAYER (UNISON)

God of Hope, we see Your love poured out for us in all the world. Make us more like You. Teach us to live together as one community created to Your glory, so Your love is known among us. AMEN.

* OPENING HYMN *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* #304 UMH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Loving Creator, we gather here and we present our tithes and offerings. We are reminded of the deep love with which You have called us Your children. Help us recognize that our generosity and stewardship of the resources You've entrusted to us are a sign of our commitment to this holy transformation. May these offerings be a reflection of our love for You and our desire to be faithful stewards of Your blessings. Bless our giving and guide us in using these gifts wisely. In Jesus' name, we pray. AMEN.

[If you wish to support Milton United Methodist Church with your tithes and gifts, please mail them to MUMC, 1007 Church Street, Milton, WV 25541. If available, you can also give through your bank. If you wish to make a gift today, there is an offering box located at the parking lot entrance sidewalk, and there are offering plates at the doors of the sanctuary.]

OFFERTORY

KROGER SHOPPING: When you shop at Kroger, you can also help Milton UMC. Visit <http://www.kroger.com>. Once logged into your Kroger account, you can search for MILTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH either by name or YF746, and then click "Enroll." New users will need to create an account which requires some basic information, a valid email address and a *rewards* card. The transactions with your digital account will be applied to the church, **at no added cost to you.** Kroger donates annually to participating organizations based on your percentage of spending.

EXERCISE CLASS: PIYO workout classes are being held each Tuesday and Thursday in Friendship Hall. PIYO is a combination of Pilates, Yoga and low impact cardio. All you need is a yoga mat. Tennis shoes are optional. Teachers are Kelly Sergent, a certified PIYO instructor, and Mindy Starkey. Donations accepted for use of the building. Questions: text or call Mindy at 304-638-2166 or Kelly at 304-389-3134.

ECCHO: Pasta, canned pasta, and canned spaghetti sauce are always needed. All donations are greatly appreciated!

PRESCHOOL: Registration is now open for Bethesda United Methodist Preschool in Ona. If you know of anyone looking for morning classes for 3's and 4's, pass on the information to call 304-638-1174.

RUMMAGE SALE: There is conversation about holding a church wide rummage sale in August. At this time we must know if there are people who would definitely be able to help with this endeavor. It takes a lot of work and we cannot plan for it until we know we have people willing and able to be physically involved with it. Please let Jennie Spoor know very soon if you would be able to help.

ONLINE SAFETY begins with you! The FBI Charleston, WV Agency is hosting an event on Saturday, April 20, in partnership with the WVUMC at Forest Burdette UMC, Hurricane. Special agents from FBI's Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force will offer presentations on how to keep children safe online. A presentation for youth (ages 8-18) will be at 10 AM, and a second one for parents, adults, and educators will be at 11:15 AM. There will be activities for the youth during the second session. Child ID cards will be provided also. Discussion of topics such as social media, gaming, cyberbullying, digital footprints, etc as well as guidance to protect children from being victimized will be shared. Please share with friends and others and plan to attend. Pre-registration is encouraged at <https://forms.gle/Nb2AxYAirG9ftaHC8>.

WEBSITE: Check out Milton UMC's website for bulletins & newsletters posted under the "Publications" tab. Look at the other tabs, too.

Calendar for the Week Beginning April 14

TODAY

Mack Thomasson Sunday School Class 9:45 AM
Morning Worship 11:00 AM

MONDAY

Finance/Church Council 6:15 PM

TUESDAY

Exercise Class 7:00 PM

THURSDAY

T.O.P.S. 4:00—5:00 PM
Exercise Class 7:00 PM

NEXT SUNDAY

Mack Thomasson Sunday School Class 9:45 AM
Morning Worship 11:00 AM
C.O.M.E. & Festival of Song (Cross Lanes UMC) 4:00—6:00 PM



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK	
Online	70
Last Sunday	31



Please check the prayer concerns, and let us know of those who need to be added or removed.

CONTINUING PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently added names are in Italics.

Others: Our elected officials; Sunday school (children, youth, & teachers); military personnel; churches & ministers; missionaries; Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball; DS Rev. Joe Hill; Pastor Nancy White; 130th Unit of WV Air Nat'l Guard; and

Alex S.	J. D.	<i>Paul B.</i>
Alice	Jack P.	Rebecca C.
Allison	Jacklynne V.	<i>Robert F.</i>
Avery	Jenny B.	Robin
Barbara	Joe G.	Rose
Ben H.	John B.	Stephanie J.
Betty S.	John M.	Steven L.
Bill Queen	<i>Martha P.</i>	<i>Sue A.</i>
Carlous	Mike B.	Terry B.
Charlene	Mike H.	Terry P.
Cheryl	Mike W.	Tim C.
Chris W	<i>Nancy M.</i>	Tina B.
David W	Patrick	<i>Winalee B.</i>
Debbie R.		

GOD SIGHTINGS AND PRAYER TIME

PASTORAL PRAYER

* **HYMN** *Surely the Presence of the Lord* #328 UMH

SCRIPTURE Luke 24:36b-48 (NRSV)

MESSAGE Pastor Nancy

* **CLOSING HYMN** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* #384 UMH

* **SENDING FORTH**

The Lord bless you and keep you, shining upon you with grace and mercy,
and may God give you what is needed for each new day.

* **POSTLUDE**

* You may stand if you wish.



*We're glad
you're here!*



WELCOME: Thank you for joining us for worship today!
If you are visiting for the first time, please fill out a yellow card that is in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. We hope that you will find our church to be a place where you feel welcome and experience the presence of God in a powerful way.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: If you have not done so, please sign up for the church's directory for your phone or other device. Download the Instant Church Directory app and get started today. You will need to enter your email address and your own password. If you need help, contact the church office.



ONE! This Easter Season, we encourage you to try to donate ONE item for our neighbors at ECCHO. One box of cereal...one box of pasta or canned pasta...one spaghetti sauce or even one bottle of shampoo or tube of toothpaste. You decide the items, but maybe note what they need most as mentioned in the bulletins. You decide how often you wish to donate ONE—weekly, monthly or just once; but let's help our neighbors by helping ECCHO.

FESTIVAL OF SONG: The Celebration of Mission Event will be held at Cross Lanes UMC on Sunday, April 21, from 4 to 6 PM with a Festival of Song. There will be musical groups sharing as well as dessert to enjoy and purchase. It will be a fun time together. The church is located at 5320 Frontier Drive, Cross Lanes.

Sermon Notes

*open hearts
open minds
open doors*



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Mission Statement

The mission of Milton United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by reflecting God's love through faith, worship, and service so others may discover God's grace.



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 

APRIL 14, 2024

Milton/Bethesda Charge
Reverend Nancy White, Pastor

Ministers: Every Person in the Congregation

Song Leader: Robert Jackson Organist/Pianist: Lynn McGinnis

Church Secretary: Wanda Skidmore Custodian: Andrea Woodard

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Church Email: miltonunited@frontier.com Facebook: [mumcwv](https://www.facebook.com/mumcwv)

Secretary's Office Hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9 AM to 2 PM

Pastor's Email: revnancywhite@gmail.com

Pastor's Cell: 304-549-0496