

- ◆ 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 bring food and drink into the sanctuary.
- ◆ Protective face coverings will be optional for vaccinated persons. We remain considerate of one another's choices and concerns as well as those among us who can't choose vaccinations at this time. We ask that you continue to respect personal boundaries.
- ◆ In order to provide some option of singing, you are asked to only sing softly from your pew at this time and consider the mask for this time of the service.

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- \*PRESENTATION OF THE AMERICAN FLAG Pastor Nancy
- \*PRESENTATION OF THE CHRISTIAN FLAG David Williams
- \* PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG Bill Starkey
- \* PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE CHRISTIAN FLAG Okey Harless
- PRELUDE *Once to Every Man and Nation* Arr. Smith
- CALL TO WORSHIP Jean Eads

*(Prepared by CPT Jenna Moon, the Chaplain of the 321<sup>st</sup> Ordnance Battalion in Cross Lanes, WV and a pastor in the West Virginia Annual Conference.)*

L: This nation, under God, depends on each generation accepting the call to serve both God and country.

**P: Everywhere we look we are reminded of the commitment our veterans made in presenting their bodies as a living sacrifice.**

L: So today we honor them as we shout a resounding. . .

**P: THANK YOU!**

L: THANK YOU! That we are free to come and to worship the One who presented His body as the ultimate living sacrifice for ALL.

**P: Come, let us worship!**

- \*HYMN *God of the Ages* #698 UMH  
(sung softly with masks on, please)

**HONORING VETERANS**

**PRAYER**

Father, we could never thank our military men and women enough for their courageous service and sacrifice to our country and its people. Yet today we lift up our voices to express gratefulness and honor to these military troops both from the past and present. Show us ways in our communities, churches, and families to thank and love them better. Keep and protect these heroes and their families, in the powerful name of Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & PRAYER FOR OUR TITHES & OFFERING**

[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 *Offertory on "St. Catherine"* Arr. Young
- SCRIPTURE Mark 13:1-8
- MESSAGE **A LIFE THAT MATTERS** Pastor Nancy
- \* CLOSING HYMN *How Great Thou Art* #77 UMH  
(sung softly with masks on, please)

\* DISMISSAL OF THE AMERICAN FLAG

\* DISMISSAL OF THE CHRISTIAN FLAG

\* FINAL BLESSING (Adapted from a prayer by Michael Perry)

When the skies grow dark and buildings fall,  
When deceivers come and the nations rise in anger,  
When we take our stand to witness to Your truth, then hear us:  
**Have mercy on us, Lord.**

When the sun is darkened and the moon fails to give us light,  
And when the stars fall from the sky, then hear us:  
**Have mercy on us, Lord.**

When You come in Your great power and glory with Your angels  
from heaven:

**Then, Lord, gather us from the four winds—from the ends of the earth, to be with You for ever and ever. AMEN.**

- \* POSTLUDE *Let There Be Peace on Earth* Miller/Jackson

\* Please stand as you are able.



**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 leave 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.

**THINKING OF YOU:** Postcards are available to send to someone you have been missing. Send a thoughtful card today.

**NOTES OF CHEER:** If you would like to send Woody a get well card, you can send one to Encompass or his home address: 3450 Wire Branch Road, Ona, WV 25545.



**FALL FREE FRIDAY LUNCHES:** Our last Friday to hand out free lunches this fall is November 19. Please let Pastor Nancy know if you can help. We need YOU! The lunches will be served from 11:30 AM until 12:30 PM (or until we run out of food). The menu for the last Fall Free Friday Lunch is SURPRISE.

Volunteers should be at the church between 10:30 and 11:00 AM.  
**A special thanks to everyone who has supported this mission project.**

**ECCHO CHRISTMAS:** MUMC has volunteered to use our conference room to distribute the toys, gift bags on December 13, 15, 20, and 22. In order to do this, we need all purchased items by Wednesday, December 8. This year it is suggested that if you choose to send in a toy or make a teen gift, that you put it in a gift bag. We will need the gift bag to be labeled that it is either for a **boy or girl and the age such as baby, elementary, middle, or high school. Do not staple the bag shut.**

*Suggestions for the Gift Bags*

**Elementary:**

Baby dolls; coloring books; games; action figures; puzzles; candy; sport balls; Play Doh sets; Melissa & Doug sets; art sets; and toy trucks & cars.

**Teens:**

*Girls*—make up, hair accessories, body wash and cream, gift sets, Jewelry sets, hair products, hair dryers, slippers, lip gloss, nail polish, eye makeup, key chain, purse, boxed candy, and games.

*Boys*—body wash; shavers; footballs; basketballs; soccer balls; boxed body scents; key chain; wallet; boxed candy; and games.

**no stuffed animals please**

Continuing Prayer Concerns

*Recently added names are in Italics.*

**Nursing & Assisted Living Centers:**

Cabell Health & Rehab: Louis Mae Conner

**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; 130<sup>th</sup> Unit of WV Air Nat'l Guard; and

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|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| Alex S.           | J. D.    | Ruth B.   |
| Alice             | John M.  | Shelly T. |
| Avery             | Ken H.   | Stan      |
| Baby Owen         | Larry C. | Steve S.  |
| Brenda & Keith T. | Mike     | Steven L. |
| Bronson & Sara    | Millie   | Terry B.  |
| Carlous           | Patrick  | Terry P.  |
| Elenora           | Roger W. | Tootie    |
| Fran and Patty    | Rose     |           |

**TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE ABOUT VETERANS DAY**



How much do you know about this solemn annual observance?  
(Turn page upside down to reveal answers.)

1. What was Veterans Day first called?
2. Has Veterans Day always been on November 11?
3. Do other countries, including our World War I allies, observe Veterans Day?
4. Should you fly your flag on Veterans Day?
5. What song is played during the wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery on Veterans Day?

1. Starting in 1919, Veterans Day was originally called Armistice Day, and observance of the end of what we now call World War I. It did not become a national holiday until 1938, and in 1954, Americans began to honor veterans of all wars on this day.
2. Between 1971 and 1974, Veterans Day was observed on the fourth Monday in October. In 1975, it returned to November 11, and it has remained on that date ever since.
3. Some other countries do observe November 11, but it is not always referred to as Veterans Day or celebrated in the same way. In Great Britain, it is also sometimes called Poppy Day.
4. Yes, it should be flown at half-staff.
5. *Taps* is always played during the wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery.

**NEXT SUNDAY**, November 21, is Commitment Sunday. You should have received a letter with a commitment card that can be returned next Sunday. If you do not have a card, there will be extras available.

**CALENDAR for the Week Beginning NOVEMBER 14**

**TODAY**

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

**THURSDAY**

- T.O.P.S. .... 4:30—6:00 PM

**FRIDAY**

- Fall Free Friday Lunches ..... 11:30 AM—12:30 PM

**NEXT SUNDAY: THANKSGIVING SUNDAY & COMMITMENT SUNDAY**

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

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK**

- Online ..... 70
- Parking Lot ..... 5
- Sanctuary ..... 32

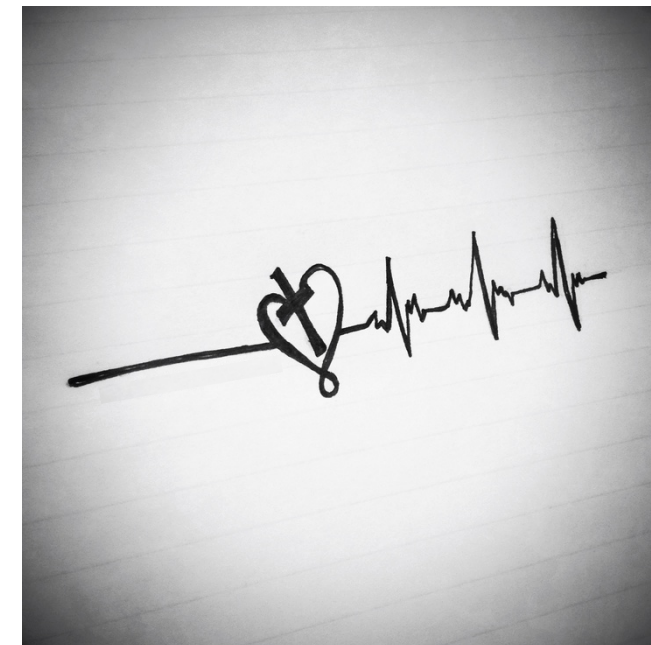
open hearts  
open minds  
open doors



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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.*



**A Life That Matters**

**25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST NOVEMBER 14, 2021**

Milton/Bethesda Charge  
Reverend Nancy White, Pastor

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Song Leader: William Deel      Organist/Pianist: Lynn McGinnis  
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