

# *Welcome*

**We are thrilled  
you've joined us today.**

**May God's word today  
give you peace,  
strengthen your faith,  
and motivate your  
service to others.**

**Crawford Memorial United Methodist Church**  
**Third Sunday After Epiphany**                      **January 22, 2023**

*Childcare is available in the nursery for children under the age of 5.*

† *Please stand in body or in heart.*

**Prelude** ..... Helena Veranian

**Welcome** ..... Rev. Anne Robertson

**Introit** ..... Praise the Lord in His Holy Temple, *C. Yannerella* ..... Chancel Choir

† **Call to Worship** ..... Psalm 117:1-2 ..... read responsively

Praise the Lord, all nations!

**Extol the Lord, all peoples!**

The Lord's steadfast love toward us is great!

**The faithfulness of the Lord endures forever!**

**Praise the Lord!**

† **Opening Hymn** ..... God of Grace and God of Glory ..... #577

1. God of grace and God of glory,  
on your people pour your power;  
crown thine ancient church's story,  
bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

2. Lo! the hosts of evil round us  
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways.  
Fears and doubts too long have bound us;  
free our hearts to work and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days

3. Cure thy children's warring madness;  
bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

4. Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore;  
let the search for thy salvation  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.

**Morning Prayer:** ..... a prayer by Robert Louis Stevenson ..... read in unison

**The day returns and brings us the petty round of irritating concerns and duties. Help us to meet the moment, help us to perform them with laughter and kind faces. Let cheerfulness abound with industry. Give us to go blithely on our business all this day, bring us to our resting beds weary and content and undishonoured, and grant us in the end the gift of sleep. Amen.**

**Scripture Lessons** .....Acts 10:44-48; Acts 11:1-3

**Sermon** ..... The Gentile Problem .....Rev. Anne Robertson

**Anthem**.....The Lord is my Light, *John Sweeney*..... Chancel Choir

**Joys and Concerns**

**Silent Prayer**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord's Prayer:**

Our Father (Maker), who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom (kin-dom) 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 (kin-dom), and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

† **Sung Benediction** ..... The Trees of the Field ..... #2279

You shall go out with joy  
And be led forth with peace;  
The mountains and the hills  
Will break forth before you;  
There'll be shouts of joy,  
And all the trees of the field  
Will clap, will clap their hands.

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands,  
The trees of the field will clap their hands,  
The trees of the field will clap their hands  
While you go out with joy

† **Benediction** .....Rev. Anne Robertson

**Postlude** ..... Helena Veranian

*Please remain seated during the postlude.*

### **Options for Giving:**

Friends and members are asked to prayerfully consider giving in support of Crawford's ministries and operations.

- We invite you to bring your offerings with you to church. Or you can mail a check to 34 Dix St., Winchester, MA 01890. Mail is checked daily.
- We welcome online giving through our website at [crawfordmethodist.org/give](http://crawfordmethodist.org/give).
- You can also text CrawfordUMC to 44-321.

### **How to Reach Us:**

The church office is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and other times by appointment. Contact us at any time at 781-729-5056 or [office@crawfordumc.org](mailto:office@crawfordumc.org).  
Voicemail and email are checked regularly.

### **Our Staff**

Minister*	Rev. Anne Robertson
Children and Youth Minister	Jessica Rubenstein
Organist/Pianist	Helena Veranian
Custodian	Jose DeLeon
Treasurer	Sherry Miller
Church Administrator	Stacey Hilliard

\* Our minister, Rev. Anne Robertson, is available Tuesday through Sunday by appointment, or at any time in the event of an emergency.

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