

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
Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 5, 2024

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

† *Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Prelude Helena Veranian

Welcome Rev. Anne Robertson

Introit Draw the Circle Wide, *Gordon Light*; *Arr. Mark Miller*..... Chancel Choir

Invitation Joyce Cummings

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Confession and Pardonread responsively

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news; Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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All: Glory to God. Amen.

† **Hymn** Pass it On.....#572

1. It only takes a spark to get a fire going,
and soon all those around can warm up in its glowing.
That's how it is with God's love once you've experienced it
you spread His love to everyone; you want to pass it on
2. What a wondrous time is spring, when all the trees are budding;
the birds begin to sing, the flowers start their blooming.
That's how it is with God's love once you've experienced it;
you want to sing, it's fresh like spring, you want to pass it on
3. I wish for you, my friend, this happiness that I've found;
you can depend on him, it matters not where you're bound.
I'll shout it from the mountain top; I want my world to know;
the Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on

Scripture Lesson.....Acts 15:1-21 Joyce Cummings

Children are dismissed for Sunday School

Sermon Means of Grace: Holy Conferencing Rev. Anne Robertson

Anthem Ain't Judgin' No Man, *Greg Gilpin* Chancel Choir

Passing the Peace

Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

† Hymn One Bread, One Body #620

Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.

And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man no more. *Refrain*

2. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. *Refrain*

3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. *Refrain*

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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 right, and good and a joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the
company of heaven

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord.**

Hosanna in the Highest.

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And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith,

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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The 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.

Giving the Bread and Cup

† Sung BenedictionCeltic Alleluia..... 2086



Announcements.....Rev. Anne Robertson

† Benediction

Postlude Helena Veranian

Please remain seated during the postlude, then join us in Gifford Hall for fellowship during Coffee Hour.

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. You can also text CrawfordUMC to 44-321.

Our Staff

Minister*..... Rev. Anne Robertson
Children and Youth Minister.....Jessica Rubenstein
Music DirectorJames Gutierrez
Organist/Pianist.....Helena Veranian
Sexton.....Jose Deleon
TreasurerSherry Miller
Church Administrator** Stacey Hilliard

*Pastor Robertson is available Tuesday through Sunday by appointment,
or at any time in the event of an emergency.

**The church office is now open Monday through Thursday, from 9 to 3, and at
other times by appointment. Voice mail and email are checked daily.

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Introit: Draw the Circle Wide
by Gordon Light; Arr. Mark A. Miller

Draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.
Draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.
No one stands alone,
we'll stand side by side.
Draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle wide,
draw it wider still.
Let this be our song:
no one stands alone.
Standing side by side,
draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.”

Anthem: Ain't Judgin' No Man
by Greg Gilpin

Refrain: Ain't judgin' no man for the life he leads
Ain't judgin' no man for the life he leads
Ain't passin' no judgement on my fellow man,
I'm leavin' it all in the good Lord's hands,
Ain't judgin' no man for the life he leads.

Some folk struggle, I don't know why,
Trying to pull a splinter from their neighbor's eye.
The Lord gave me troubles enough of my own.
I don't have time to cast the first stone! **Refrain**

If you knew me, down deep inside,
You might be disappointed by what you find.
I'm just a man with feet of clay,
Tryna keep step in the good Lord's way! **Refrain**



Mishawum Choral Society, an area community chorus, will present its Spring Concert at Crawford Memorial UMC **today, Sunday, May 5th, at 3 p.m.** The concert will feature both traditional and contemporary works.

Tickets are \$20 (\$15 for seniors and students), and will be available at the door while they last. A portion of the concert proceeds will be donated to the church.

The chorus hopes to have you present at its concert.

If you have any questions, please speak with Peter Hobson or Roy Lawson, both members of the chorus.