

Crawford Memorial United Methodist Church
A Reconciling Congregation

Easter Sunday April 5, 2026

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

† *Please rise in body or Spirit.*

Prelude Occasional Brass
Welcome..... Rev. Anne Robertson
Introit Rigaudon, *Andre Campra, arr. E. Raum* Occasional Brass
† **Call to Worship** Neil Cudmore

L: Arise! Shine!

P: For light is dawning and hope is resurrected!

L: This is the day the Lord has made!

P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

L: Christ is risen!

P: Christ is risen, indeed!

† **Hymn** Christ the Lord is Risen Today #302 (v. 1-4)

1. Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!
2. Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!
3. Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!
4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

† **Opening Prayer**

Almighty God, through Jesus Christ you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life.

Grant that we, who celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection, may, by the renewing of your Spirit, arise from the death of sin to the life of righteousness;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

† **Gospel Lesson**..... Mark 16:1-8a Neil Cudmore

Sermon I Believe in the Resurrection Rev. Anne Robertson

† **Hymn**..... Christ Is Risen #307

1. Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days.
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder; all creation is amazed.
In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

2. Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair.
Walk with gladness in the morning. See what love can do and dare.
Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but a friend;
Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.
3. Christ is risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same.
Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain.
Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!"
God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna everyone!"

Passing of the Peace

Anthem We Live With Christ, *Lee Dengler* Brass & Choir

Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving, Musical Setting A

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.

The pastor gives thanks appropriate to the occasion, remembering God's acts of salvation and concludes:

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Elise Eslinger
(after NICAEA)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might.

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

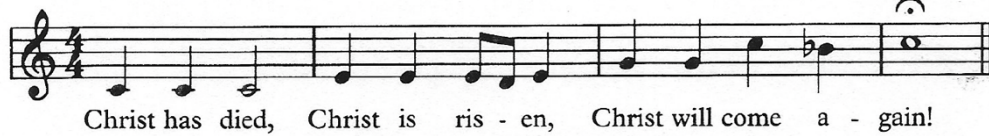
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The pastor continues the thanksgiving. The institution of the Lord's Supper is recalled. The pastor concludes:

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.

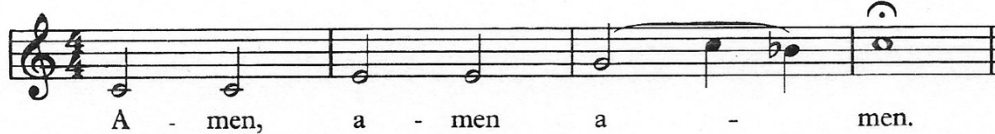
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The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding:
 All honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

Elise Eslinger



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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

Music: How Beautiful.....Jenny Zuk & James Gutierrez

BenedictionRev. Anne Robertson

† **Postlude**Hallelujah Chorus Brass, Choir, et al.

Though not required, it is common practice to stand during the singing of the Hallelujah Chorus

Thanks

Special thanks to our guests for the music they provided during this morning's service.

- Andy Cormier, Trumpet/Flugelhorn
- Jessica Young, French Horn
- Russel Bogartz, Tenor Trombone
- Sean McCarty, Bass Trombone

Thanks, too, to James, Helena, and our choir for their consistently beautiful, inspiring, and uplifting musical offerings.

Join Us for Easter Fun In Gifford Hall, After the Service

There will be no coffee hour today, but following the postlude, kids are invited to gather in Gifford Hall for some Easter games and goodies.

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.

Coffee Hour:

Next Sunday, April 12, families with last names beginning **C-G** will be responsible for Coffee Hour.

Our Staff

Minister..... Rev. Anne Robertson
Music Director James Gutierrez
Organist/Pianist..... Helena Veranian
Custodian Jose Deleon
Nursery Manager..... Cindy Slack
Treasurer Doug Marmon
Technical Production and Streaming Manager Robert McAlpine
Church Administrator Stacey Hilliard

Pastor Anne is available Tuesday through Sunday by appointment, or at any time in the event of an emergency. The church office is 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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Easter Flower Dedications

Given by:

Adjoa Acquaaah-Harrison Crawford members lost in the past year
Sonja Lawson & family Bob Lawson & Joan Brown
Joanne, Debbi, Donna, & Carlos Susan & John Caruso and Peter Hobson
Retha Clark & Stacey Hilliard..... Bryan Hilliard, Bill Hilliard, Stu Clark
Pam & Bob Donaldson..... our sisters and our mothers
Janet Herrman Laurie Herrmann & Christophe Couallier
Bernadette H..... my parents, husband, aunts, uncles, cousins,
& friends who have died
Doug & Mary Ann Marmon Linda, Malinda, and David
Rosemary Monk & Frank Leathers Our parents
Sue and Steve Powers Ray & Eunice and Inez & Christopher
Pam Reeve..... Pete & Ruth Reeve; Lt. Col. & Mrs. IC Andersen, Jr.;
and Rick & Kate Reeve
Barb Siftar..... Bob & Dotti Siftar
Linda Vacovec Agnes Meabon (Linda's mother)
Laurie and Steve Wilson..... Edward & Terry Lane, Howard & Muriel Wilson
Linda Yew & Paula Riley Marian & Harold Leach

In Memory of:

Given by:.....In Celebration of:

Karen and Larry Beals Mary Ann & Craig Sibley and Betty & Doug Beals
George & Ruth Ann de Redon Our grandchildren
Pam & Bob Donaldson..... Our grandchildren
Lynn Dornink & Carl Mittnight Lily, Wyatt, & Maisy
Bernadette H..... Easter
Rosemary Monk & Frank Leathers Our children and grandchildren
Karen & Rick Murphy..... Caitlin's & Teegan's upcoming wedding
Barb Siftar..... My 10 nieces and nephews
George & Linda West..... Family

Given by:.....In Thanksgiving for:

Adjoa Acquaaah-Harrison Pastor Anne Robertson
Kimberly Burke Crawford Church
Bernadette H..... My health and the health of my family
Jeanne Kilker..... Michael Haukedalen & Emily Kilker
Sandra & Roy Lawson..... Family
Karen & Rick Murphy..... Grandchildren, Maddie and Ryan
Sue & Steve Powers Our grandchildren
Laurie and Steve Wilson..... Grandchildren