

Crawford Memorial United Methodist Church
34 Dix Street, Winchester, MA
Sixth Sunday of Easter (Mother's Day), May 10, 2026

*Childcare is available in the nursery for children under the age of 5.
† Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Prelude	James Gutierrez
Welcome & Introduction	Rev. Anne Robertson
Mother of Nations*	Olivia Woodford**
Benediction	Rev. Anne Robertson
Postlude.....	James Gutierrez

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

***About Today's Performance**

The lineage of three world religions can be traced back to Abraham. Judaism, Islam and Christianity are spiritual brothers and sons of the same Patriarch. The 4,000 year old rivalry and tension between these religions originated in Abraham's time with the relationship between Abraham's wife, Sarah and their servant, Hagar.

This dramatic presentation explores the relationship between these two women - the strength of their faith, sacrifice and devotion, and ultimately how the seeds they nurtured would produce sons and nations to revere and serve God.

****About Olivia**

Bible Women Speak began with a yearning to know what it would have felt like to be in Israel and meet Jesus, hear His teachings and witness the events of his life, death and Resurrection. Nurturing this desire, I began a personal journey of contemplation, study of scripture, and research of theological texts to create sacred dramas that would inspire my faith and connection to Jesus.

My experience of the power of sacred drama was developed over a lifetime career in creating theatrical productions as a vehicle to stir the soul and speak our heart's longing. With a BFA in Theater from Boston University, I have performed and directed theater in regional theater and off-Broadway, and have taught theater to people of all ages.

A member of Network of Biblical Storytellers Int'l, the Founder of Healing Theatre, and a professional storyteller, I have explored the nature and power inherent in story. With a career focused on how to marry theater with the sacred, I was inspired to create sacred dramas based on the gospels to have the words and verses leap from the page and into our lives and hearts in a meaningful and beautiful way.



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, May 17, 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.