

Crawford Memorial United Methodist Church

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost, July 5, 2026

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

† *Please rise in body or spirit.*

Prelude Sarah Lafontaine

Welcome Rev. Jen Mihok

Introit Welcome, *Mark Miller* Colin Simson

Call to Worship Bernadette

Calling all citizens of heaven: exiled dreamers and disciples of love,

God is close to the outcast and faithful to all.

Calling all pilgrims of the Spirit, carried by the winds of hope,

God is everywhere at all times, compassionate to all.

Calling all travelers between worlds, who translate compassion into peace,

God makes neighbors of strangers and kin of the forgotten.

Come to worship and be renewed for this long journey.

Strangers in a strange land, we have come to worship the creator of all.

† **Hymn** God Is Here UMH 660

1. God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.
2. Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;
here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech,
here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.
3. Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us, as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.
4. Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt
keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive;
we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

Time for All God's Children Rev. Jen Mihok

Scripture Lesson Matthew 7:21-24 Bernadette

Sermon A Foundation That Endures Rev. Rand & Sally Peabody
including excerpts from the letters of John and Abigail Adams

† **Hymn of Confession:** In This Time of Great Reflection Tune: RESTORATION (UMH 340)
Lyrics: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

1. In this time of great reflection on two hundred fifty years,
We remember, as a nation, times we've prospered, times of tears.
"We shall be," a preacher told us, "as a city on a hill" —
not to praise us but to warn us: We've a duty to fulfill.

3. We recall our nation's story. Keep us honest, God above!
 In our quest for wealth and glory, we have injured ones you love.
 Through enslavement, through displacement, we have chosen ways of sin.
 We've been violent. We've stayed silent. So our light of love stays dim.
4. Will we work for racial justice? Will we turn from fear and hate?
 What is now the public witness that you call us to create?
 As we celebrate our country, help us, Lord, to understand:
 All of us must share the bounty and the goodness of the land.
5. In this time, O God, restore us to the land we're called to be —
 where all people here among us know your blest community.
 May we seek to be that city, not with pride but as a prayer.
 May we love and serve you humbly, in our land and everywhere.

Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem God Has Work for Us to Do, *Mark Miller*..... Colin Simson

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving

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,
 God 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.

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Receiving

We thank you, eternal God, that you have fed us in this sacrament, uniting us with Christ and with all the faithful who have come before us with courage and joy. Renewed for our life in this world, may we remember always that we belong to you. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Announcements Rev. Jen Mihok

† **Hymn**.....For This Land in All Its WonderTune: CWM RHONDDA (UMH 577)
Lyrics: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

1. For this land in all its wonder, for each city, farm and town,
For each mountain filled with splendor, for each place where love is found,
For the freedoms we enjoy here, God, may thanks to you abound!
God, may thanks to you abound!
2. For your peace and love unending, breaking barriers that divide;
For the joy of cultures blending as we live here side by side;
God, we thank you and we pray now: May we all be unified!
May we all be unified.
3. For your hand to lead and guide us, for your work in history,
For your vision born inside us of a just society,
God, we thank you and we pray now: May this vision come to be!
May this vision come to be!
4. May we be a nation seeking ways that are both wise and fair,
May our living and our speaking serve your purpose everywhere.
May we follow where you lead us; God, this is our hope and prayer!
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Benediction & Blessing.....Rev. Jen Mihok

Postlude..... Sarah Lafontaine

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.

Notes on Today’s Service:

Many materials for today’s service were adapted from the Fourth of July Pastoral Care Package from Illustrated Ministry.

How to Reach Us:

The church office is open Monday thru Thursday, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. If you need help outside of those hours, contact us at 781-729-5056 or office@crawfordumc.org. Voicemail and email are checked regularly.

Coffee Hour:

Sign up online to bring something and help set-up, serve, and/or clean-up.

crawfordmethodist.org/SummerCoffeeHour

Or contact the church office at 781-729-5056 or office@crawfordumc.org to see what’s needed.

Our Staff

Minister.....	Rev. Jennifer Mihok
Music Director	James Gutierrez
Organist/Pianist.....	Helena Veranian
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Custodian	Jose Deleon
Nursery Manager.....	Cindy Slack
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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 (781-729-5056, office@crawfordumc.org). Rev. Jen Mihok is still settling in. Regular office hours will be scheduled soon. Until then, she can be reached at rev.jen.mihok@gmail.com.