



Crawford Methodist Church

The Methodist Messenger

May 2024

As a way of sharing a few things regarding what we will be looking to preaching over the next 5 weeks, I thought that I would share the scripture with you now so that you might possibly read them and ask what God might desire from you to hear from these scriptures?

April 28th	John 15: 1-6	The Agriculture of Kingdom building
May 5th	John 15: 9-17	Still Abiding
May 9th	Acts 1: 1-11	Ascension Faith in Christ
May 12th	1 John 5: 9-13	Witness Protection Not Guaranteed
May 19th	Acts 2: 1-21	Birthday Suprises

It is always my desire to see each and every one on Sundays and yet I realize that life gets complicated. Still, the invitation to participate in our worship and witness as a church is always our desire. I am very encouraged over the work of the Lord that we are doing and pray for you often.

Blessings In Christ,
Kent

Our mission is to become a community of believers and followers of God; the Creator, Savior, and Holy Spirit. We gather to worship and become stewards and disciples who express our faith with others, nurture one another, and are in ministry with Christ.

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Youth Report

Hello Crawford Methodist Youth! I hope you all had a wonderful Easter. It's a great time to remember the ultimate sacrifice Jesus made for all of us. Be safe during school activities and never forget the power of prayer.

Morning youth services are every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Youth afternoon services are on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 4 p.m. unless it falls on a holiday, then we will reschedule accordingly. Also, if there is any youth news I need to be made aware of (sporting events, birthdays, joys, or concerns) please send me an email, text, or call. If you would like to be added to the youth list for updates and youth activities, please let me know. See you at youth group, as always, bring a friend! --- Nathan "Nate" Byers, Youth Director

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.

1 John 4:7



Children's Class

The theme for the children's Sunday School in May is "Noah." The bible verse is, "Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth." (Genesis 9:16 NIV)

First Sunday- Storytelling

Second Sunday- Arts

Third Sunday- Cooking and Games

Fourth Sunday- Music

Fifth Sunday- Science

STAY TUNED!

We had to postpone our Spring Picnic due to rain. As soon as we have a new date set. We will let everyone know.

The Crawford Food Pantry is in need of donations. They are having to buy groceries regularly to restock. The local pantry is serving 10 families now, 4 of them have children. So, with school ending soon, those families will need more food. Some suggestions are:

- Snack crackers
- Granola bars
- Can fruit
- Applesauce
- Chef Boyardee
- Cereal
- Peanut butter
- Jelly



Favorite Hymns

During June and July, we will be singing our favorite hymns. Be thinking of you favorites and let Marda know by **May 15th**. It's always fun to see which hymns are the favorites.

CRAWFORD METHODIST WOMEN 2024 Schedule

Wednesday, May 15

Hostess: Connie

Program: Mother's Day

Location: Amsler's

June: No Meeting

July: No Meeting

Wednesday, August 21

Hostess: Janette & Cookie

Program: Cookie

Location: Church

Wednesday, September 18

Hostess: Amy, Linda L. & Linda S.

Program: Lord's Acre Baskets

Location: Church

Wednesday, October 16

Hostess: Francis, Boo & Kayla

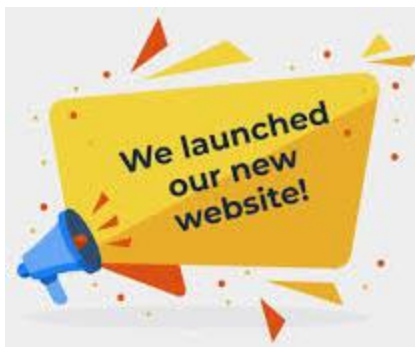
Program: Kayla/Manna Bags

Location: Church

November/December

TBD

Bible Study will continue on every 1st and 4th Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. The primary text will be your Bible, starting with the book of Acts and going until we have finished the book of Revelation. The Bible study will run all year until next summer. We will take breaks as the group determines.



Our new website is up and running. Check it out!

<https://crawfordmethodist.com/>

WEEKLY OFFERING TOTALS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Financial Goal</u>	<u>Offering Report</u>
3/31	\$2,607.21	\$1,766.00
4/7	\$2,607.21	\$1,921.00
4/14	\$2,607.21	\$2,826.00
4/21	\$2,607.21	\$1,986.00

JOY JAR

This month's Joy Jar is for the Ministerial Alliance Fund. This fund helps members of our community when needed.



May

1st Avery Ward
 5th Lori Galt
 10th Gayle Pate
 12th Kaye Clark
 15th Debra Veazy
 15th Brent Elmore
 15th Stacy Anne Puryear
 17th Nathan (Nate) Byers
 24th Kendall Buckalew
 25th Rhonda Raley
 30th Caroline Cartwright
 30th Peyton Elmore
 30th Makenzie Dunbar
 31st John Bayer
 31st Amy Brookshire
 31st Rusty Leight

15th Nathan and Kelli Byers
 18th Dub and Donna Holmes
 28th Reg and Janette Baldwin

APPLICATION FOR CRAWFORD METHODIST CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP

The Crawford Methodist Church scholarship is established for the purpose of recognizing qualities in students which define character, citizenship, integrity and motivation.

Any senior student who is a member of the Crawford Methodist Church is eligible to apply for these scholarships. Additionally, the Crawford Methodist Church Scholarship Committee may, at their sole discretion, consider other deserving students not yet members who regularly attend church services and participate in church activities.

The scholarship money may be used to pay costs for any post-secondary education. Funds will be issued to students upon presentation of receipts for expenses incurred in connection with enrollment in a vocational school, junior or senior college.

Until a recipient is enrolled in a post-secondary institution, the money will be retained by the Crawford Methodist Church.

The applicant is to write a letter to the scholarship committee stating:

1. The applicant's educational plans and goals, and any special circumstances which would affect the applicant's ability to achieve his/her goals.
2. Include ways that you have fulfilled your pledge to support this church with your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.

It is imperative that the applicant has participated in church activities such as Sunday school, Worship and/or Youth Group.

Applicants for these scholarships should submit their letters to the scholarship committee by May 1 of their senior year.

Prayer Requests

Brett Hoffman (John and Jenny's nephew)
Hannah Riley
Family of Dora Harper
Family of Raymond Wescke
Michael Schmalriede
Family of Jim Michaels (Waynette's Uncle)
Tally Barnes
Boo Lynch
Family of Susan Freeman's grandson
Billy Wayne Watts – hip replacement
Celeste Carnahan (Kaye's cousin)
Megan Ayers (DeChaume)
Michael Schmalriede
Rhonda Raley's son and daughter-in-law
Tyler Perkins – cancer (friend of Gareth
Jordan)
Fay Romine (Christy Walker's mother)
Raydean Damon
Roy Totter
Emma Harper
Rhonda Raley
Armed Forces
Thomas Richardson
Dr. Donnie Stewart
Lyndon Lynch
Cory and children - cancer
(Bryan-College Station)
Nancy Way
Joe Cook (son-in-law of Margie Stuth)
Mike Shields
J.M. Finstad
Keith Holton (Jenny and John's nephew)
Jaime Edenfield (Kelli's sister)
Cheryl Isbell
Our Church
Beverly Jones
Katherine Tidwell
Ukraine
Samuel Jackson
Billy and Lynda King and family
Marsha Tucker
Beth Ann Baker
Larry Lawrence



Mothers Day Word Search

Find the hidden words.

F R C B Y Y H C L Y L I M A F
G S E T H O U E V U U O G I M
N O N S N P G L F K M V M O X
I U E O P W S T W M D P T X U
V R R M I E H E Y O D H M E B
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CARING	GIVING	KISSES	NURTURE
CHILDREN	HEART	LAUGHTER	PARENT
DEVOTED	HOLIDAY	LOVE	RESPECT
FAMILY	HOME	MEMORIES	SPECIAL
FLOWERS	HONOR	MOMMY	SWEET
GIFTS	HUGS	MOTHER	THOUGHTFUL

May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Bible Study @6:30 p.m.	2 Men of Faith @10 a.m.	3	4 City/School Joint Election Rhonda and Chuck Raley's get together 5-10p.m.
5 Holy Communion	6	7	8 Finance/Admin Meeting @6:00 p.m.	9 Men of Faith @10 a.m.	10	11
12 Mother's Day Youth afternoon service @4:00	13	14	15 Crawford Methodist Women meeting @6:00 p.m.	16 Men of Faith @10 a.m.	17 CISD Graduation @7:30 at the Pirate Field	18
19 Update Prayer List	20	21 Newsletter articles due at noon	22 Bible Study @6:30 p.m.	23 Men of Faith @10 a.m.	24	25
26 Joy Jar Church t- shirts Potluck Youth afternoon service @4:00	27 Memorial Day	28 Joint Primary Runoff Election	29	30 Men of Faith @10 a.m.	31	