

Crawford Methodist Church
15 March 2026 Worship 10:30 a.m.
Fourth Sunday in Lent

PREPARATION

Gathering Hymn: "This Is the Day" **UMH 657 twice**
This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made. Let us rejoice, let us rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made. (Repeat)

Bringing in the Light of the World, Jesus Christ
Words of Welcome & Announcements John Minnix

Hand Bell Choir

*Call to Worship:
L: Beloved, the journey of grace takes us to still waters, the valley of the shadow of death, even to tables surrounded by our enemies.

P: We gather to worship God, our Shepherd, who guides us on the journey.

L: The journey of grace points us toward the Light so that we may bear the fruit of the Light in all that we do.

P: We gather to be formed by grace so that our lives may bear the fruit of all that is good and right and true.

L: The journey of grace calls us to pay attention, to discern what is pleasing to God.

P: We gather to listen to the Spirit, who empowers us to go from this place to work together to do what is pleasing to God.

L: Come, let us worship God who provides, inspires, and empowers us on the journey of grace.

P: Come, let us worship God as we journey in grace together! Amen.

*Hymn of Preparation "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" **UMH 381 v. 1, 2, 4**

PRAISE AND ADORATION

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed **UMH 881**
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered

under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; The third day he rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Glory Be to the Father **UMH 70**

Psalter Reading: Psalm 23 **UMH 754** Austin Baldwin

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

Sunday School Verse: **Christ gives me the strength to face anything. (Philippians 4:13)**

Hymn of Adoration: "Open My Eyes, That I May See" **UMH 454 all**

DEDICATION

Offertory Prayer John Minnix
Offertory Music Karen Crockett
*The Doxology **UMH 95**

PROCLAMATION

Scripture Psalm 23 **OT 501** & Ephesians 5:8-14 **NT 194** Rev. Kent Berry

Response to God's Word:

L: The Word of God, for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "New Life Journey" Rev. Kent Berry

RESPONSE

*Hymn of Invitation: "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought" **UMH 128 v. 1, 4**

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Benediction

*Stand if comfortable

Prayer List

David Brown Family
Jabrill Smith (UPS)
Dorothy Donaldson
Kaci Luedke
Coach Plumber

Tammy Westerfield
Mike Patterson
Karter Edenfield
Zoey's friend, Josh

Regular Weekly/Monthly Activities

Sunday School for all – 9:30 Sunday mornings
Coffee Plus – 2nd Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
Faith First Exercise – Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.
Men of Faith – 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 11:30 a.m.
Shepherd's Heart Food Pantry – 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Announcements

Mar. 29th - Please join us for Francis Raley's 90th Birthday Celebration on Sunday, March 29 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Crawford Methodist Church. It is a come and go with light refreshments, no gifts. If you are unable to attend, you may send cards to 2915 Anderson Lane, Crawford, Texas, 76638.

Offering Totals

<u>Date</u>	<u>Financial Goal</u>	<u>Offering Report</u>
3/1	\$3,364.13	\$1,635.00
3/8	\$3,364.13	\$3,498.10

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