

Crawford Methodist Church
3 May 2026 Worship 10:30 a.m.
Fifth Sunday of Easter

PREPARATION

Gathering Hymn: "Standing on the Promises" **UMH 374 v. 1, 4**
**Standing on the promises of Christ my King, through eternal ages
let his praises ring; glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
standing on the promises of God.**
(Refrain) **Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my
Savior; standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.**

Bringing in the Light of the World, Jesus Christ
Words of Welcome & Announcements Steve Walpole

*Call to Worship:
L: Easter people, in the midst of our questions and doubts, Jesus
answers:

P: I am the way, the truth, and the life.

L: In the midst of our worry and distress, Jesus assures us:

P: I am the way, the truth, and the life.

L: In the midst of misinformation, confusion, and distrust, Jesus reminds
us:

P: I am the way, the truth, and the life.

L: In the midst of dead ends and impossible challenges, Jesus shows
us:

P: I am the way, the truth, and the life.

L: Come, let us worship as we learn to follow Christ, our way, our truth,
and our life.

P: Come, let us worship! Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Hymn of Preparation: "How Firm a Foundation" **UMH 529 v. 1, 2, 5**

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 119:9-20 John Minnix

PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

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

DEDICATION

Offertory Prayer Steve Walpole

Offertory Music Karen Crockett

*The Doxology **UMH 95**

PROCLAMATION

Scripture John 14:1-14 Rev. Kent Berry

Response to God's Word:

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

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Assurance" Rev. Kent Berry

RESPONSE

Sacrament of Holy Communion **UMH 15-16**

*Hymn of Invitation: "Only Trust Him" **UMH 337 v. 1, 4**

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Benediction

*Stand if comfortable

Prayer List

Glenda's niece
Family of Clinton DeChaume
Nancy Way
Kenneth Uptmore
Larry Hoelscher
Family of Anna Mae Rogers
Pattie Thomas
Joe Meadors

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

Today – We will have our last Confirmation Class today immediately following our worship service.

May 6 – The Crawford Methodist Women will meet on Wednesday at 6pm at Rancher's in Gatesville.

May 10 – Our Confirmation Sunday will be the same day as Mother's Day.

May 12 – We will host the Class of 2026 Senior Luncheon on May 12 at noon. Please sign up to bring something

Offering Totals

<u>Date</u>	<u>Financial Goal</u>	<u>Offering Report</u>
4/5	\$3,364.13	\$3,337.00
4/12	\$3,364.13	\$1,170.00
4/19	\$3,364.13	\$2,120.25
4/26	\$3,364.13	\$2,912.00

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