

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**
Led by Bethany Edna with Mary Ellen Cribbs on piano

**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

Honoring Mothers

*Call to Worship:

L: Easter people, no matter the bends and curves in our path, Jesus
does not leave us alone on this journey of faith.

P: God gives us the Spirit, our Advocate and Helper.

L: The Spirit lives in and among us, pointing us all toward the way, the
truth, and the life of Jesus.

P: God gives us the Spirit, our Guide and Guardian.

L: The Spirit draws us into God's story, showing us how to cooperate in
writing God's dream into reality.

P: God gives us the Spirit, our Dream-Giver and Story-Keeper.

L: Easter people, God's story abides in you, calling you to live as co-
creators of love and abundant life.

**P: We come to worship God and listen for the Spirit who inspires,
guides, and helps us join in God's story, until God's kingdom
comes on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.**

*Hymn of Preparation "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"
UMH 64 v. 1, 2, 4

PRAISE AND ADORATION

Psalter Reading: Psalm 115:1-11 **UMH 836** Clayton Pomykal

Hymn of Adoration "Jesus Loves Me" **UMH 191 v. 1, 3**

**INTRODUCTION TO THE SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM AND
CONFIRMATION**

Please see the screen
Confirmands and their families please come to the altar.

Handing out the Bibles

DEDICATION

Offertory Prayer Steve Walpole

Offertory Music

*The Doxology **UMH 95**

PROCLAMATION

Scripture John 14:15-21 Rev. Kent Berry

Response to God's Word:

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

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Because I Live, You Will Live, Too" Rev. Kent Berry

RESPONSE

*Hymn of Invitation "There's Within My Heart a Melody" **UMH 380 v. 1, 5**

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Benediction

*Stand if comfortable

Prayer List

Dorothy Donaldson
Glenda's niece, Kaci
Family of Clinton DeChaume
Nancy Way
Kenneth Uptmore
Larry Hoelscher
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

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

May 17 – Next Sunday we will honor our graduating seniors, Gareth Jordan and Serenity Springfield.

May 20 – The Finance and Administrative Board meeting has been moved to Wednesday, May 20 at 6:00 p.m.

Offering Totals

<u>Date</u>	<u>Financial Goal</u>	<u>Offering Report</u>
4/26	\$3,364.13	\$2,912.00
5/3	\$3,364.13	\$4,223.00

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