

Crawford Methodist Church
26 July 2026 Worship 10:30 a.m.
9th Sunday after Pentecost

PREPARATION

Gathering Hymn: "There's Within My Heart a Melody" v. 1
**There's within my heart a melody Jesus whispers sweet and low:
Fear not, I am with thee, peace, be still, in all of life's ebb and flow.
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, sweetest name I know, fills my every longing,
keeps me singing as I go.**

Bringing in the Light of the World, Jesus Christ
Words of Welcome & Announcements Janette Baldwin

*Call to Worship:

L: Beloved, this is the core of our faith: nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

P: Thanks be to God!

L: God's never-ending love surrounds us and calls us, assuring us that through God's love, all things will work together for God's good purposes.

P: Thanks be to God!

L: God's never-breaking love empowers us in the face of temptation, distress, division, and scarcity to hold onto our faith and work together for the flourishing of all God's good creation.

P: Thanks be to God!

L: Come, let us worship God who is Love, trusting that through joy and sorrow, happiness and despair, contentment and pain, Love will carry us through.

P: Thanks be to God who forms, connects, and guides us through Love. Amen.

*Hymn of Preparation: "We're Marching to Zion" C 75 all

PRAISE AND ADORATION

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

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 105:1-11 UMH 828 Ronda Raley

Children's Sermon Kelli Byers

PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Adoration: "I Surrender All" C 148 v. 1, 5

DEDICATION

Offertory Prayer Janette Baldwin

Offertory Music

*The Doxology UMH 95

PROCLAMATION

Scripture Romans 8:26-39 Rev. Kent Berry

Response to God's Word:

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

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Where Compassion Meets Judgement; Middle Earth Christians" Rev. Kent Berry

RESPONSE

*Hymn of Invitation: "Bringing in the Sheaves" C 165 v. 1, 3

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Benediction

*Stand if comfortable

Prayer List

Lucynda Garcia - cancer
Gene Clements
Kelsey Jones
Booger DeChaume
Brittany Bolin
Joyce Holmes
Dorothy Donaldson

Regular Weekly/Monthly Activities

Sunday School for all – 9:30 Sunday mornings

Faith First Exercise – Tuesdays at 2:00 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 – The youth are taking a trip after 4th Sunday Potluck.

Offering Totals

<u>Date</u>	<u>Financial Goal</u>	<u>Offering Report</u>
7/5	\$3,364.13	\$4,030.00
7/12	\$3,364.13	\$2,775.00
7/19	\$3,364.13	\$2,701.56

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