

Crawford Methodist Church

9 August 2026 Worship 10:30 a.m.

11th Sunday after Pentecost

PREPARATION

Gathering Hymn: "To God Be the Glory" **UMH 98**

To God be the glory, great things he hath done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life gate that all may go in. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Bringing in the Light of the World, Jesus Christ

Words of Welcome & Announcements

John Bayer

*Call to Worship:

L: Children of God, some of us come today with songs of joy, rejoicing at all God has done for us.

P: We come to remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

L: Some of us come today with songs of mourning in our hearts, feeling the weight of loss, isolation, and loneliness.

P: We come to remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

L: Some of us come today with songs of worry and distress, overwhelmed by the troubles and the sufferings of the world.

P: We come to remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

L: In our joy, our sorrow, our isolation, and our worry, God is faithful!

P: We come to sing God's praises, for in all things, God's steadfast love and faithfulness never fail. 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

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

Blessing of the Backpacks

Psalter Reading: Psalm 105:1-11 **UMH 828**

John Minnix

PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Adoration: "Nearer, My God, to Thee" **UMH 528 v. 1, 2, 3**

DEDICATION

Offertory Prayer

John Bayer

Offertory Music

*The Doxology

UMH 95

PROCLAMATION

Scripture Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Rev. Kent Berry

Response to God's Word:

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

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Experience Agape (God's) Love" Rev. Kent Berry

RESPONSE

*Hymn of Invitation: "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" **UMH 569 v. 1, 2, 4**

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Benediction

*Stand if comfortable

Prayer List

Family of Dorothy Donaldson

Debbie Kalal

Millie Ward's friend

Family of Alberto Lopez

Lucynda Garcia - cancer

Gene Clements

Kelsey Jones

Booger DeChaume

Brittany Bolin

Joyce Holmes

Regular Weekly/Monthly Activities

Sunday School for all – 9:30 Sunday mornings

Faith First Exercise – Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m.

Shepherd's Heart Food Pantry – 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Announcements

Aug. 12 – The finance and administrative board meeting is Wednesday at 6:00 pm.

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
7/26	\$3,364.13	\$1,740.00
8/2	\$3,364.13	\$2,055.00
8/2	Joy Jar	\$230.73

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