



**Crooks Memorial
United Methodist Church**
January 8, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

Serving In Worship Today

Ushers/Greeters: Glenda Jantz & Mary Randolph
A/V Coordinator: Allen Conway
Stream Team: Jim Pile, Pete Prokup, Kasey Landis,
Bill Diggs, and Mark Cooper

For Announcements and News

Refer to our weekly E-news, Church Website and/or Facebook page. You can subscribe to the E-news via the Connection Card or Church Website. If you do not have email access, contact the church office to be placed on our mailing list.



Welcome to Worship

Cell phone and electronic devices: Please set to silence.

Connection Card: Helps us know you are here and helps you engage. Please complete and place it in the offering plate.

Hard of hearing or sight: Large print hymnals and listening devices are available from an usher.

We love children in worship! Worship Bags and books are located in the narthex. However, if needed, our staffed nursery is available for those five and under. Ask an usher for directions.

We record worship: As a ministry to those unable to be present, our worship service is livestreamed, recorded, and posted to our website and social media sites.

Our Mission:

To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the
Transformation of the World

Our Vision:

Making Space for God and Others

Our Values:

Worship ✝ Faith ✝ Family ✝ Hospitality

Rev. B. Sung, Pastor
Rev. Sue Hauptert-Johnson – Bishop
Rev. Charles F. Ledlum-Bates –
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M. Katherine Morrow Jackson– Interim Dir.
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Bold print indicates a congregational/unison reading.

Welcome Shirley Hunter

Prelude “*The Solid Rock*” Robert Thygerson

***Hymn** “*Come, Thou Almighty King*” UMH 61

Call to Worship

A voice of power and majesty calls out to us:
I am your God; I have called you in righteousness.

We are amazed that God knows us and calls us.

By God’s breath and spirit, we receive life.

God takes us by the hand and leads us.
In covenant with God, we extend light to the world.

Eyes are opened and prisoners are freed.

Justice and peace prevail, by God’s strength.

Worship with joy and give glory to God’s name.

Listen for the new thing God declares.

We remember that we have been baptized.

May we live as those with whom God is pleased. Amen.

Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer Rev. B. Sung

***Hymn** “*Sweet, Sweet Spirit*” UMH 334

Scripture Isaiah 42:1-9 Tom Snively
(Pew Bible O.T. 630)
Acts 10: 34-43 Tom Snively
(Pew Bible N.T. 121)

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem “*My Jesus, I Love Thee*” arr. Dianne Bish

Scripture Matthew 3:13-17 Rev. B. Sung
(Pew Bible N.T. 3)

Message “*The Baptism of Jesus*” Rev. B. Sung

***Hymn** “*Spirit Song*” UMH 347

Offertory Prayer

Be in the gifts we bring before You, O God, as You are ever in the gift of our baptism. Renew Your people through this offering, as You have renewed us with Your presence this day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Offertory “*Reach Out and Touch*” Charles Brown

***Doxology** UMH 95

***Benediction**

Rejoice in the glory of your baptism
each and every day.

We will live in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Let your spirits soar like eagles
but be as gentle as doves.

We will drink deep from the waters of grace.

Go forth to announce the glory of our God.

**We go, renewed and made whole,
as a blessing to all. Amen.**

Postlude “*Holy God We Praise Thy Name*” arr. Dianne Bish