



**Crooks Memorial  
United Methodist Church**  
March 5, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.  
Second Sunday of Lent

Serving In Worship Today

Ushers/Greeters: Kay Locke & Ken Drosselmeier  
A/V Coordinator: Allen Conway  
Stream Team: Jim Pile, Pete Prokup, Kasey Landis,  
Bill Diggs, and Mark Cooper

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**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 –  
Mission Rivers District Superintendent  
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**Bold print** indicates a congregational/unison reading.

**Welcome** Debbie Braziel

**Prelude** “*There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood*” Betty Warren

**\*Hymn** “*Blest Be the Tie that Binds*” UMH 557

**Call to Worship**

People of god, where do we put our trust?  
Where do we find wholeness and meaning?

**We lift up our eyes to the hills.**

**Our help comes from the Creator of heaven and earth.**

We are sons and daughters of Abraham and Sarah.

We trust in God, who neither slumbers nor sleeps.

**We are followers of Jesus, who proclaimed God’s realm.**

**We are born of the Spirit, born from above.**

Our lives are a gift from God, who loves us.

By the grace of God, we are born anew each day.

**God loved the world in the gift of Jesus Christ.**

**Through faith in Christ, we receive eternal life. Amen.**

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

**\*Hymn** “*Precious Name*” UMH 536

**Scripture** Isaiah 9:1-7 Susan Johnson  
(Pew Bible O.T. 600)

Ephesians 2:11-18 Susan Johnson  
(Pew Bible N.T. 181)

The Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Scripture** Matthew 5:3-9 Rev. B. Sung  
(Pew Bible N.T. 4)

**Message** “*Blessed are the Peacemaker*” Rev. B. Sung

**\*Hymn** “*Let There Be Peace on Earth*” UMH 431

**Communion** *All are invited to the table* UMH 12-15

**The Great Thanksgiving** UMH 13

**Anthem During Communion** “*Come, Share the Lord*” Betty Warren

**Offertory Prayer**

God, our help and our hope and our peace, bless these gifts,  
that they may bring help to the needy and hope to the  
despairing and peace to the divided. Bless us this day, that  
our very lives may be gifts of help and hope and peace for  
Your world. Amen.

**Offertory** “*Precious Lord Take My Hand*” Betty Warren

**\*Doxology** UMH 95

**\*Benediction**

As we have been helped,

**God sends us to help God’s world.**

As we have received peace,

**Christ sends us to be a peacemaker.**

As we have received the Spirit,

**the Spirit sends us to share our spirits with kindness and  
compassion for all. Amen.**

**Postlude** “*It Is Well With My Soul*” Betty Warren