

**\*Hymn** “Crown Him With Many Crowns” UMH 327

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude** Improvisation on “All Hail the Power of Jesus Name” arranged by Phillip Higgins



**Crooks Memorial  
United Methodist Church  
May 16, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.**

\*Invites persons to stand as they are able.  
**Bold print** indicates a congregational/unison reading.

**Welcome to Worship**

**Cell phone and electronic devices:** Please set to silence.  
**Hard of hearing or sight:** Large print hymnals and listening devices are available from an usher.  
**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.

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**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

**Prelude** Phillip Higgins

**Welcome** Rev. Lisa Barbery

**\*Call to Worship** (from Psalm 47)

Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

**For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.**

God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

**Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

For God is the king of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm.

**God is king over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.**

**\*Hymn** “At the Name of Jesus” UMH 168  
(Tune: “St. Gertrude” or “Onward Christian  
Soldiers”)

Verses 1, 2 and 4 with the following Refrain:

“At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every  
tongue confess him King of glory now.”

### Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus Christ, in You we see awesome power. You  
triumph over death and bring forth new life. You stand  
over all earthly powers. You are the head of the church.  
Yet, we often fail to acknowledge this power in our lives.  
**We see violence in the world. We see injustice in our  
communities. We see hunger and need among our  
neighbors. We see longing for something more. We see  
failures and faults in our lives. In all these things, we feel  
powerless.**

Forgive our hesitance to call upon You. Forgive our  
propensity to rely upon ourselves. Forgive our reluctance  
to acknowledge Your power. Speak Your words of power  
again. May Your will may be done on earth as it is in  
heaven. **Amen.**

### Words of Assurance

May God give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation, that  
the power of Jesus Christ may be visible in your life.

**By the grace of Jesus Christ we are forgiven and  
empowered to serve.**

**Scripture** Luke 24:44-53 and Acts 1:1-11 Hannah Barbery  
(Pew Bible N.T. 85)  
The Word of God for the People of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Scripture and Message** Acts 1:1-11  
(Pew Bible N.T. 110)

**Special Music** “I Worship You, Almighty God with Holy, Holy,  
Holy” (arranged by Mark Hayes)

### Invitation to Discipleship

### Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

### \*Affirmation of Faith for Ascension Sunday

**I believe in God, the Father of glory  
Who by great power resurrected Jesus from the dead;  
Giving us hope in the high calling of a heavenly  
inheritance;  
And Who is revealed in the immeasurable greatness of  
Jesus Christ;  
Allowing us to know God's own self through the Lord  
Jesus Christ.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ  
Who suffered and died for our sins  
Who rose from the dead and rose up into heaven  
Who sits at the right hand of the Father,  
Whose name is above every name,  
Whose authority is above all authority,  
Whose power and dominion are above all power and  
dominion,  
Who reigns now and throughout every age.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Who gives us wisdom and the ability to love one another,  
Who enables us to believe and empowers us to be the  
church,  
The body of Christ, indwelling and filling us with power,  
And with the fullness of Him who fills all in all.**