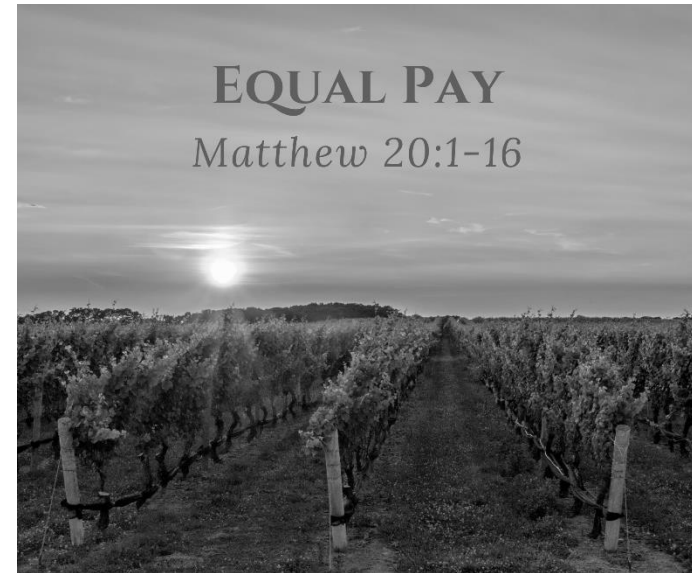




**Crooks Memorial  
United Methodist Church**  
July 11, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.



## EQUAL PAY

*Matthew 20:1-16*

### ***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!** However, if needed, our staffed nursery is available for infants through 3yrs.  
See 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.

**Bold print** indicates a congregational/unison reading.

**Prelude** Phillip Higgins

**Welcome** Beth Pile

### Call to Worship

Let us start this service well, by reminding ourselves:  
That it is not we who chose Christ,  
**but Christ who chose us,**  
That we are not here because of our goodness  
**but because of Christ's grace,**  
That we are not here to enlighten ourselves,  
**but to allow Christ to enlighten us,**  
That we have not come to be entertained  
**but to worship God with heart, soul, mind and strength.**

**Hymn** "I Love to Tell the Story" UMH 156

### Opening Prayer

**Your love has brought us together, O Lord, and it is your love that sustains us through each day. We pray that you would keep us faithful. Give us the courage to witness to your presence in the world, today, tomorrow, and into the future. We pray in the name of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**Scripture** Matthew 20:1-16 Ricki Noble  
(Pew Bible N.T. 20-21)  
The Word of God for the People of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Message** Equal Pay Rev. Art Wolz

**Special Music** "The Heart of Worship"  
(by Matt Redman, arranged by Mark Hayes)

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

**Hymn** "Change My Heart, O God" TFWS 2152

### Benediction

**Postlude** *Improvisation on "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"* (arranged by Phillip Higgins)

#### Serving In Worship Today

Ushers/Greeters: Gloria Brown and Shirley Hunter  
A/V Coordinator – Allen Conway

**Rev. Art Wolz** has been a pastor for over 35 years and says he enjoys "seeing people grow as disciples." He enjoys time with his three grandsons as well as sculpting in wood. As a former Zoologist and photographer, God opened his eyes to the beauty and uniqueness of each creation. Playing the roles of Biblical persons and especially St. Nicholas is a passion for Art. Currently, Santa Claus has become a dream come true.

#### 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. Lisa Ann Barbery, Pastor  
Rev. Sharma Lewis – Bishop  
Rev. Seonyoung Kim – YRD Superintendent  
Phillip Higgins – Director of Music Ministries  
Kristie Brookshire – Admin. & Comm. Assist.  
Steffany Brewer – Nursery Coordinator

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