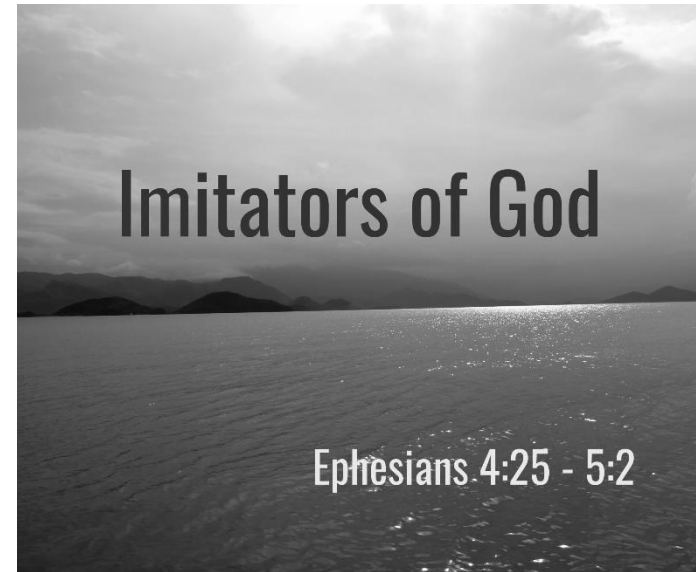




**Crooks Memorial  
United Methodist Church**  
August 8, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.



***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** Laura Whitefleet-Smith

**Call to Worship**

In the name of God,  
**who created us,  
who holds us and the whole world in his hands.**  
In the name of the Son  
**who came into the world,  
who reconciles us with God.**  
In the name of the Holy Spirit  
**who fills us with eternal life,  
who links us with all Christians  
and incites us to peace,  
we come together to offer our thanks and praise.**

**Hymn** “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty” UMH 64

**Opening Prayer**

**Almighty God,  
Your extravagant love has called us together.  
Long before we even knew You,  
You already knew us,  
and had chosen us to be part of Your own family—  
sisters and brothers with our Lord Jesus Christ Himself.  
What amazing love You have shown toward us!  
And so we come before You with praise and thanksgiving,  
offering You the worship of our hearts and lives,  
and opening ourselves to the prompting and leading of  
Your Holy Spirit.  
Receive our worship—our praise and prayers and  
offerings—  
through the intercession of Your Son, Jesus Christ,  
our Saviour and Lord.  
May the time we spend here in Your presence  
bring honour and glory to Your Name. Amen.**

**Scripture** Ephesians 4:25-5:2 Debbie Braziel  
(Pew Bible N.T. 183)  
The Word of God for the People of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Message** Imitators of God Rev. Patti Money

**Special Music** “Room at the Cross”  
(by Ira Stamphill, arranged by Phillip Higgins)

**Prayers of the People**

**Hymn** “Take Time to be Holy” UMH 395

**Benediction**

**Postlude** “The Longer I Serve Him (the Sweeter He Grows)”  
(by Bill Gaither, arranged by Phillip Higgins)

Serving In Worship Today

Ushers/Greeters: Ed and Nancy Renninger  
A/V Coordinator – Allen Conway

**Rev. Patti Money** is an ordained elder in the Virginia Conference, currently on a family leave of absence. She has been in full-time ministry for 15 years, serving three appointments in Virginia and one in Idaho. She was also a hospital chaplain for several years. Patti lives in Yorktown with her husband, two children, and a Lab mix named Daisy.

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

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Rev. Sharma Lewis – Bishop  
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