

# **CROSSROADS** UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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# Crossroads UMC Outdoor Worship 05-09-2021

#### **Breakthrough Prayer**

All Knowing God, we come to you in surrender, knowing that our once familiar paths are now crisscrossed with uncertainty. We reach out to you O Lord, asking that you show us Your ways, teach us Your paths. Help us to walk by faith and not simply by sight. Amen.

#### **Words of Welcome**

## **Morning Prayer**

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

## **New Testament Reading**

John 15:9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit,







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fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

#### Sermon

Abiding In Jesus Pastor Scott Walters

**Pastoral Prayer** 

**Benediction**