

November 3, 2024

8:30 & 10:45 AM

Gathering

WELCOME

If you are visiting with us, we'd love to hear from you. And if you have a prayer concern, we will be glad to add it to our prayer list. Please fill out the Connection Card on the back of the pew in front of you or contact the church office for more information.

PRELUDE

(8:30) The Church's One Foundation arr. Lloyd Larson
(10:45) In Memoriam Flor Peeters
We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: How majestic is our Creator God!

People: God created the heavens above and the earth below.

Leader: God created the flowers, the rocks, and the animals.

People: God created each and every one of us.

Leader: Who are we that God is mindful of us?

People: We are God's creation. We are God's children.

Leader: We come to this worship seeking new life.

People: We come to be resurrected through our faith in Christ.

*HYMN 676 O God of Love, O Power of Peace CANONBURY

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45) Lily Reams

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Ephesians 4:1-6
In the pew Bibles, on page 193 of the Second Testament

CHILDREN'S TIME (10:45)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

ANTHEM

(10:45) How Can I Keep from Singing?
Maximus Taylor, baritone Arr. Z. Randall Stroope

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Psalm 146
In the pew Bibles, on page 581-582 of the First Testament

SERMON

Election Sermon Series
What the Bible Says about...How to Vote
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN In Times of Great Decision AURELIA
(lyrics on the right)

**Please stand as you are able.*

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

(8:30) What a Friend We Have in Jesus arr. C.E. Walz
(10:45) May the Angels Lead You into Paradise arr. Charles Callahan

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; **OR** Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FROM SCRIPTURE

SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP

(8:30) Sweet Hour of Prayer arr. C.E. Walz
(10:45) Requiem Aeternam arr. Charles Callahan

Please eat the bread when you receive your communion cup, then wait and drink the juice after the Elder's prayer. Please let the deacon know if you would prefer a gluten-free option. We encourage you to recycle your communion cup after the service.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Putting Faith into Action

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

*If you are interested in joining the church,
please come forward during the closing hymn.*

*HYMN 649 Give Thanks for Life Sine Nomine

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE (10:45) God Be with You Till We Meet Again
Ralph Vaughan Williams

POSTLUDE

(8:30) For All the Saints arr. Cindy Berry
(10:45) For All the Saints arr. Wilbur Held

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ELECTION EVE PRAYER SERVICE

As our country approaches what promises to be a very close and contentious election, it's easy for us to feel as if our voice doesn't matter, but it does! Not only does it matter in how we vote, but it also matters in how we turn to God to share all our fears and anxiety. The power of prayer is the strongest tool at our disposal to invoke God's presence.



Tomorrow, Monday, November 4, at 7:00 PM, on the eve of the election, we'll host an Election Eve Prayer Service in the sanctuary. This will be a quiet time of reflection, silence, and turning to God in prayer, trusting that the One who loves us will be with us as we move into an unknown future. Everyone is invited to come and participate as we pray for God's unity and peace in our country.

IN TIMES OF GREAT DECISION

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In times of great decision, be with us God, we pray.
Give each of us a vision of Jesus' loving way.
When louder words seem endless and other voices sure,
Remind us of your promise; your love and truth endure.

O God, whose gifts are countless, you send us bearing peace.
You fill our dreams with justice for all communities.
You give us global neighbors that all may justly live.
May those we choose as leaders reflect the life you give.

You call on every nation to put aside all greed,
To care for your creation and for your ones in need,
To care for those in prison, for children, for the ill.
In times of great decision, may we choose leaders well.

ANGEL TREES HAVE ARRIVED

This year Crestwood has committed to helping 150 children from Russell Cave, Liberty, and Glendover Elementary schools. Angel trees are set up outside of the chapel and the choir room with colored tags. Please sign out the numbered tag(s) on the clipboards provided. Angels are grouped together by family and, if you are able, please adopt a family in lieu of multiple single angels. All gifts must be turned in no later than Friday, December 6. All gifts need to be returned unwrapped in a trash bag with the provided color-coded sticker. (You may include an optional roll of wrapping paper in the bag.) Gifts may be left by the trees on Sunday morning or delivered to the church office. Thank you for your generosity in giving the kids of our community a Merry Christmas.

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Tracy Lovan, the family of Kathy Stone, Donnie Wakefield
FAMILY: Matt Anderson (son of Patsy Anderson), Ollie Hawkins (aunt of Betty Barton), the family of Barry Newton (father of Laura Prather), Paul Morrison (father of Andrea Back), the family of Barry Newton (father of Laura Prather), the family of Dr. Robert E. Robbins (brother of Sylvia Griffin), the Swisher family (of Lyndi Van Deursen)

FRIENDS: Diane Atchison (of Bill & Patti Bridges), the Cristi family (of Crestwood), Jeff & Chris Dotson & family (of Natalie Feese), the Dunn family (of Jeanne Jouett), Melody Fiely (of Karen Trommer), the family of Greg Garland (of Scott & Steph Wallace), Pamela Goodwine (of Crestwood), the family of Don Ralph (of Libby Wachtel), Chyleigh Rose (of Crestwood)

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Joe Clark, Tyler Coultas (son of Karen Coultas), Frank Dickey, David Farmer (friend of Kimberly Sparks), Jo Fulkerson, Laurie Hart (granddaughter of Susan & Kendall Hart), Jordan & Ginny Sue Hemphill (brother & sister-in-law of Monte LaFrana), Lisa Jern (cousin of Libby Wachtel), Henrietta Shores (granddaughter of Mary Beth Shores), Jim Wallace (father of Scott Wallace)

ARMED FORCES: Alex Back (son of Andrea Back), Anar Aliyev (of Crestwood), Karlis Bowman (nephew of Debbie Gardner), Tristan Bowman (nephew of Debbie Gardner), Daniel Day (grandson of John & Carol Royse & son of Tracy Day), Bud DeLacey (nephew of Matt & Michelle DeLacey), Matt Holman (son of Gaye Holman), Zoe McIntyre (granddaughter of John Sims), Ashlyn Marra-Sigler and Daniel Sigler (daughter-in-law & son of Pam & David Sigler)

HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS: Carlene Adams, Karen Billings, Janice Boyd, Dick Featherston, Sylvia Griffin, Buzz Mattingly, John Sims, John & Carolyn Thomas, Lucy Wheeler

OUR WORLD COMMUNITY: We pray for the victims and loved ones impacted by violence, inmates of the Fayette County Detention Center and their families, an end to wars across the globe, the peace of God to rule in the hearts of our local and national leaders, those affected by natural disasters, and for God's spirit of reconciliation to bring healing during these difficult times.

<p>Our Vision</p> <p>Connecting People to God and Each Other</p>	<p><u>Next Sunday</u></p> <p>Election Sermon Series</p> <p>What the Bible says about.....What's Next</p> <p>John 17:6-11</p> <p>Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson</p>
<p>Our Mission</p> <p>Crestwood Christian Church connects people to God and each other by being a community that welcomes and accepts all people; invites questions about how faith and life intersect; encourages people to take the next step in their spiritual journey; cares for each other and the stranger; and serves God through serving others.</p>	<p><u>Today's Worship Leaders</u></p> <p>Elder</p> <p>8:30 Dan Pence 10:45 Amy Wheeler</p> <p>Liturgist</p> <p>8:30 Kelly Hale 10:45 Denise Murray</p>

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD
November 3, 2024

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 3 - First Sunday Fellowship after both services

- 8:30 AM - Worship Service
- 9:30 AM - Sunday School
- 10:00 AM - Choir Practice
- 10:45 AM - Worship Service
- 4:00 PM - Chi Rho Youth Group Meeting - Chi Rho Room
- 5:00 PM - CYF Youth Group Meeting - CYF Room

Monday, November 4

- 7:00 PM - Election Eve Prayer Service

Tuesday, November 5 - ELECTION DAY

- 9:00 AM - Library Team - Library

Wednesday, November 6

- 1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

Thursday, November 7

- 9:30 AM - Stephen Ministers - Chapel
- 11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room
- 7:00 PM - Choir Practice - Choir Room

Saturday, November 9

- 8:00 AM - Men's Breakfast - Bradford Room

Sunday, November 10

- 8:30 AM - Worship Service
- 9:30 AM - Sunday School
- 10:00 AM - Choir Practice
- 10:45 AM - Worship Service
- 12:00 PM - DWM Board Meeting - Bradford Room
- 3:00 PM - Combined Youth Group Meeting
- 3:00 PM - Love in Action speaker series - Homelessness - Chalice Hall

CHURCH STAFF

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| Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson, Senior Minister
Steph Wallace, Student Associate Minister
Missy Wallace, Children's Minister
Rev. Kelly Hale, Interim Minister of Pastoral Care
Mary Van Kesteren, Office Administrator | Jim Cristi, Facilities Manager
Frank Spragens, Music Director
Cindy Abernathy, Pianist
Jane Johnson, Organist
Amber Combs, Childcare Director |
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What the Bible Says about...
How to Vote

Psalm 146

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

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Welcome to Crestwood!
We are glad you have joined us for worship.
We hope your time with us is meaningful and that you return soon.

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