

November 24, 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) Come, Ye Thankful People, Come arr. Robert Thygerson
(10:45) Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven arr. Robert Hobby
We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Give thanks to God, for God is good.

People: We give thanks for God's unending blessings.

Leader: The earth yields its produce to feed us.

People: We give thanks for the food God provides.

Leader: During this season, we cherish time spent with family and friends.

People: We give thanks for the image of God we see in each other.

Leader: Give thanks to God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

People: We give thanks by worshipping God today and every day.

*HYMN 718 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45) Caroline Bacon

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Psalm 107:1-9
In the pew Bibles, on page 559 of the First Testament

CHILDREN'S CHOIR (10:45) He Loves His Little Ones Sally DeFord

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) My God Is a Rock, spiritual
Doug Hutcherson, baritone arr. Alice Parker & Robert Shaw

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
In the pew Bibles, on page 205 of the Second Testament

SERMON A Time to Give Thanks Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN 531 Thank You, Lord THANK YOU, LORD

**Please stand as you are able.*

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY (8:30) Count Your Blessings arr. Jeffrey Bennett
(10:45) Psalm 148: Lord, Who Hast Made Us Gustav Holst

*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) We Gather Together arr. Anna Laura Page
(10:45) The Eternal Gifts of Christ the King arr. Flor Peeters

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 714 For the Fruit of All Creation AR HYD Y NOS

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE (10:45) For the Fruit of All Creation Ar Hyd Y Nos

POSTLUDE

(8:30) All People That on Earth Do Dwell arr. Lloyd Larson
(10:45) Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow arr. Piet Post
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KORY HAS BEEN AT CRESTWOOD FOR 15 YEARS!

Please join us TODAY as we celebrate Kory's 15th anniversary as Senior Minister of Crestwood Christian Church. There will be a reception in Chalice Hall following the second service. A basket for cards is set out along with notecards to share your favorite Kory memories. We hope to see you there, as we commemorate this extraordinary occasion in the life of our church family.



ADVENT WORKSHOP – DECEMBER 1

Join us after second service for a family craft, pizza, and hot cocoa. We'll be creating a round serving plate for your family. Please RSVP by emailing missy@crestwoodchristian.org.

ANGEL TREE GIFTS DUE DECEMBER 6

We're amazed at how quickly our angels flew off the Christmas trees! Thanks to everyone who took an angel. You're going to make a child very happy this Christmas! Angel tree gifts can be turned back into the church office or left at the trees on Sunday morning. Unwrapped gifts are to be placed inside a trash bag with the attached numbered sticker. A roll of wrapping paper can be placed in the bag. Please let Missy know if you have any questions.

FROM ANGEL TREES TO MITTEN TREES!

Now that all our angels have been adopted, we are ready to transform our trees into winter blessings! Please bring new or gently used winter care items (hats/gloves/scarves) and place them under the trees outside the chapel and choir room. All sizes are welcome, and items will be donated to local nonprofits. Thank you for warming the hearts of our neighbors this holiday season.



NEST FOOD BOXES YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT

Every autumn, our Youth Ministry collects money to supply food boxes for The Nest - and this year we have a goal of filling 400 boxes! How can you help? Donate! You can give \$20 to cover the cost of one box, or donate however much you can to help us meet this goal. Please label your donation "Food Boxes" so we know your gift is meant to be used towards our food box goal. Thank you so much for helping make this wish a reality - 400 families right here in Lexington will be blessed through this project with a box full of food to feed their families at Christmas!

HELP US DECORATE THE SANCTUARY

Next Saturday, November 30, at 9:00 AM, we'll meet in the sanctuary to help get it ready for the Advent season. Everyone is welcome to join us! Come be part of the fun as we get ready for this joyous season! Please park ONLY in the south lot because of football parking in the north lot.



Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: the family of Joe Clark, the family of Kathy Stone

FAMILY: Benita Baughn (family of Michelle DeLacey), Zack Ison (brother of Stewart Ison), Paul Morrison (father of Andrea Back), Linda Yates (mother of Stephanie Moore)

FRIENDS: the Cristi family (of Crestwood), Mary Duff (of Dana Adamson), the Furlong family (of Patsy Anderson), Audie Palm (of Kay Thomas), the family of Jim Turner (of Fran Allen), Mary Van Kesteren (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 & 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.

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD
November 24, 2024

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 24

- 8:30 AM - Worship Service
- 9:30 AM - Sunday School
- 9:40 AM - Wake Up with Wallace - Panera Bread
- 10:00 AM - Choir Practice
- 10:45 AM - Worship Service
- 12:00 PM - Kory's 15th Anniversary Celebration - Chalice Hall
- 4:00 PM - Chi Rho Youth Group - Chi Rho Room
- 5:00 PM - CYF Youth Group - CYF Room

Wednesday, November 27

- 1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

Thursday, November 28 - THANKSGIVING DAY

Friday, November 29 - OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, November 30

- 9:00 AM - UK Football Car Park
- 9:00 AM - Sanctuary Decorating for Advent

Sunday, December 1 - 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
- 12:00 PM - Advent Workshop - Chalice Hall, Bradford Room



Thanksgiving Sunday

A Time to Give Thanks

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

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| <p>Our Vision</p> <p>Connecting People to God and Each Other</p> | <p>Next Sunday</p> <p>In the Beginning Sermon Series</p> <p>Hitting the Ground Running</p> <p>Mark 1:1-8</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>Today's Worship Leaders</p> <p><u>Elder</u></p> <p>8:30 Libby Wachtel 10:45 Sonny Wray</p> <p><u>Liturgist</u></p> <p>8:30 Sonny Wray 10:45 Frank Spragens</p> |

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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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.

CRESTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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