

CRESTWOOD THE CREST

Our Vision: Connecting People with God and Each Other

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Articles are due by Noon Friday, January 10

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ADVENT 2024



ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US DURING THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON

MAY THE HOPE, LOVE, JOY, & PEACE OF CHRIST SHINE BRIGHTLY IN EACH OF OUR HEARTS.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES Sunday, December 24



5:00 PM Children's Service

7:00 PM Candlelight Service

(live-streamed)

10:30 PM Organ Prelude

11:00 PM Candlelight Service

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Wednesday, December 18, 6:30 PM



Join us as we spread holiday cheer to some o f o u r neighbors and church

members! We'll depart from church at 6:30 PM. The whole family is invited to be part of the singing!

LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE Saturday, December 21, 4:30 PM

We are approaching the Winter Solstice, the longest night of the year. Memories of lost loved ones and the pain of present experiences and situations can become overwhelming. While the holidays are supposed to be full of joy, some of us experience sadness, grief, or anxiety. You are not alone. The Stephen Ministers invite you to a service acknowledging and seeking the LIGHT that comes into the darkness. Please invite friends to join.

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: the family of Joe Clark, Tracy Lovan, Joan Stafford

FAMILY: Sandra Deerhake (mother of Amanda Deerhake), Jim Ernst (husband of Becky Ernst), Judy Walden (mother of Connie Guilfoil)

FRIENDS: the Cristi family (of Crestwood), Mary Duff (of Dana Adamson), the family of Jim Turner (of Fran Allen), Mary Van Kesteren (of Crestwood)

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: 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), Nathaniel Sligh (nephew of Kimberly Sparks), Donnie Wakefield, 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.

DECEMBER SPOTLIGHT ON SERVICE: GREENHOUSE17

previously owned items, as their policy dictates due to Covid protocols. NEW items needed are as follows:

Adult and children's toothbrushes Sanitary pads and tampons Shampoo and conditioner Body wash and soap Hair brushes and combs Textured hair care products such as hair oil, deep conditioners, wide tooth combs Lotion Adult and children's underwear Pull-up diapers, all sizes Cleaning supplies Paper towels Toilet paper NEW Twin size bedding, especially "beds in a bag" that include comforters Gift cards to Walmart, Kroger, and Target

Donations may be brought to the Giving Lane located in the hallway that leads to the Administrative Wing or to any of the December DWM meetings.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY SERVICE

The annual Martin Luther King Jr. Worship Service will be GreenHouse17 can accept only NEW supplies and not on Sunday, January 19, at 6:00 PM at Central Christian Church on Short Street. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to join with other Disciples from around Lexington to honor the legacy of Dr. King. Please make plans to join us!

CIRCLE MEETINGS

Naomi Circle - time & location change Tuesday, December 17, 11:00 AM

@ Joseph Beth Booksellers

Christmas luncheon

Dorcas Circle Wednesday, December 18, 10:00 AM in Chalice Hall

Katherine Steckler will provide Christmas Music.

KIDS ON A MISSION AT GLENDOVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

On Friday, December 6, Kids on a Mission delivered free coffee, donuts, and encouragement cups to the staff at Glendover Elementary School. God's kids, doing God's work, in God's world!



ADVENT WORKSHOP

Thank you to everyone who participated in Advent Workshop on December 1. Our families had a great time painting plates, eating pizza, and enjoying a hot cocoa bar. All plates will be ready for pickup from the children's wing desk on Sunday December 15.



FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

Please join us for our First Sunday Fellowship on January 5, 2025. We will have refreshments in the narthex following each service. All are invited.

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422 FOOD BOXES FILLED FOR THE NEST!!!

Our youth, along with many wonderful volunteers from our Crestwood family, filled 422 boxes with food items for The Nest! These items will be distributed to families with children to ensure that they have a blessed Christmas with plenty of food to eat. Thank you so much to everyone who helped make this project successful by donating their money to buy food or their time and hard work to make sure this project came together!



ALL YOUTH INVITED TO THE CHRISTMAS PARTY!!



On Sunday, December 22, from 4:00-6:00PM in the CYF room, all youth are welcome to come enjoy yummy treats and laugh with us as we do our annual gift exchange! Bring a wrapped gift worth approximately \$25, suitable

for anyone in the group. Email Steph Wallace with your questions. It will be a joyous and merry time of food and fellowship! Join us!

DON'T BE PUZZLED!

Do you know we have an extensive collection of puzzles available free of charge? In our Admin Wing, there are several bookshelves full of



puzzles to help you pass the time and challenge your brain. Stop by and pick one up or drop off a puzzle you no longer need. We're glad to provide this to our Crestwood community!

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DECEMBER-JANUARY CALENDAR

Sunday, December 15

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

4:30 PM - Children and Youth Pageant - Sanctuary

5:00 PM - All-Church Christmas Dinner - Gym

Wednesday, December 18

10:00 AM - DWM Dorcas Circle - Chalice Hall

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

6:30 PM - All-Church Caroling

Thursday, December 19

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice - Choir Room

Saturday, December 21

4:30 PM - Longest Night Service

Sunday, December 22

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

9:40 AM - Wake Up with Wallace - Panera

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

4:00 PM - All-Youth Holiday Party

Tuesday, December 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 PM - Children's Service

7:00 PM - Candlelight Service

10:30 PM - Organ Prelude

11:00 PM - Candlelight Service

Sunday, December 29

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

Thursday, January 2

9:30 AM - Stephen Ministers - Chapel

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice - Choir Room

The church office will be closed from December 25-January 1. We'll see you again in the new year!

Sunday, January 5

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 - Chi Rho Room

5:00 PM - CYF Youth Group - CYF Room

Tuesday, January 7

9:00 AM - Library Team - Library

Wednesday, January 8

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

2:00 PM - Safety & Security Committee - Bradford Room

Thursday, January 9

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

6:00 PM - Finance Team - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice - Choir Room

Saturday, January 11

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

Sunday, January 12

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

4:00 PM - Chi Rho Youth Group - Chi Rho Room

5:00 PM - CYF Youth Group - CYF Room

Tuesday, January 14

2:00 PM - Property Team - Bradford Room

Wednesday, January 15

10:00 AM - DWM Dorcas Circle - Bradford Room

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

6:00 PM - Ministry Council Meeting - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Administrative Board Meeting - Bradford Room

JANUARY MEN'S BREAKFAST

Our December Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, January 11, in the Bradford Room. All men of Crestwood are invited to join us! A tasty breakfast and good conversation will be provided. Please RSVP to Kory if you can attend.



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Crestwood Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Return Service Requested

Thank you, Crestwood!

Thank you so much for your congregation's generous gift of \$2,700, which is feeding those who are hungry, housing those who are homeless, and helping people rebuild their lives. You all are such a blessing!

Laura Carr, Exec. Director, Lexington Rescue Mission

The Creative Camera Club expresses our sincere gratitude for your generosity and willingness to share your facilities for our educational use. Thank you for your fellowship and community spirit.

Tom Myers, President

I have just completed teaching an OLLI class at Crestwood and want to thank you for your church's welcoming hospitality to me and the other members of OLLI. Specifically, I appreciate Jim Cristi and his willingness to help with any issues. Janine Jolson

Thank you, Crestwood Christian! Bluegrass Parkinson's Alliance could not survive without your generosity. We are very grateful!

Laura Soldato, BPA Executive Director

CRESTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

 $\label{eq:Sunday Worship-8:30 AM and 10:45 AM} Sunday Worship-8:30 AM and 10:45 AM service is available on Facebook and YouTube.$

CHURCH STAFF

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