

February 2, 2025

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) Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah arr. Cindy Berry
(10:45) Voluntary Charles Zeuner
We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We rise and gather to greet this new day.

People: We have come here to be with God.

Leader: This is the time to be fully awake to God's presence.

People: We come with eyes wide open to give God praise.

Leader: This is a day of new beginnings.

People: This is the time for our faithful response.

Leader: We are here because we believe.

People: We are here to praise and worship God.

*HYMN 286 This Is the Day THE LORD'S DAY
(sing twice)

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45) Georgia Williams

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Psalm 65:1-8
In the pew Bibles, on page 527-528 of the First 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) More Love to Thee arr. Joseph Joubert
Keshawn Coleman, tenor

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Matthew 13:10-17
In the pew Bibles, on page 14 of the Second Testament

SERMON Modern-day Proverbs sermon series
Don't Talk to People from Other Rooms
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN 495 Weave WEAVE
(sing twice)

**Please stand as you are able.*

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY (8:30) Like a River Glorious arr. Craig Curry
(10:45) Offrande Flor Peeters

*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) Close to Thee arr. Cindy Berry
(10:45) Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness arr. Peter Pindar Stearns

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 614 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me I'M GONNA LIVE

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE (10:45) May the Light of Christ Tom Fettke

POSTLUDE (8:30) The Solid Rock arr. Mark Hayes
(10:45) Trumpet Voluntary Thomas Dupuis

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FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

Please join us Sunday, February 2, for light refreshments and fellowship in the narthex after each service. Take a few moments to say hello and make a new friend.

MODERN DAY PROVERBS SERMON SERIES

The book of Proverbs contains some wonderful words of wisdom about how we should live our lives to please God and serve others. But did God's guidance end when the last line of that book was written? Or is it possible that more sayings have been created that can help on our faith journey? For our first sermon series in 2025, we're going to take a look at some modern-day proverbs, sayings that probably would have made it into the Bible if they were around back then. Where do these words connect with God's word? And what do they tell us about how to be God's people in our world today?

February 9 - "This, too, shall pass"

February 16 - "You can lead a horse to water..."

February 23 - "Don't judge a book by its cover"

March 2 - "Win some, lose some"

LET'S MAKE A SOUPER DIFFERENCE

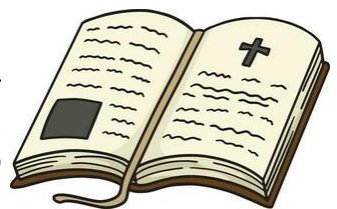
Whether you're rooting for the Chiefs, rooting for the Eagles, or rooting for the commercials, we can all be winners as we serve the least of these in the community. Join us on Sunday, February 9, as we collect food for our annual Souper Bowl of Caring.



This year the food collected will go to Glendover Elementary School to support their Family Resource Center. **Along with soup, they are in need of rice and beans, peanut butter and jelly (no glass jars), and spaghetti sauce (no glass jars).** Donations can be brought to the narthex on Sunday morning or throughout the week. Thanks for your support as we cheer on our community!

2025 PASTOR'S CLASS

Do you have a youth who's interested in learning more about their faith and ready to consider baptism? This year's Pastor's Class will start on Sunday, March 2. The class is designed to help children learn about the basics of their faith and the church as they prepare to make their decision about baptism. Baptism Sunday will be April 27 this year. If your child is in the 5th grade or above and would like to take the class or if you have additional questions, please let Kory know.



Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Brenda Crank, the family of Ellen Frost, the family of Bess Gott, Paige Rea, Steve Seithers

FAMILY: Carolyn Colliver (sister-in-law of Carolyn Clark), Mary Herald, (sister of Kimberly Sparks), Lisa Jern (cousin of Libby Wachtel)

FRIENDS: Denise McGaughey (of Kay Thomas), Mary June Moseley (of Libby Wachtel)

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Tyler Coultas (son of Karen Coultas), the Cristi family (of Crestwood), 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), Henrietta Shores (granddaughter of Mary Beth Shores), Nathaniel Sligh (nephew of Kimberly Sparks), Donnie Wakefield, Jim Wallace (father of Scott Wallace), Carter Yates (nephew of Stephanie & Josh Moore)

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
February 2, 2025

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 2 - SCOUT SUNDAY

- 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, February 4

- 9:00 AM - Library Team - Library

Wednesday, February 5

- 1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

Thursday, February 6

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

Saturday, February 8

- 8:00 AM - Men's Breakfast - Bradford Room
- 1:00 PM - All Youth Service Project - Greenhouse17

Sunday, February 9

- 8:30 AM - Worship Service
- 9:30 AM - Sunday School
- 10:00 AM - Choir Practice
- 10:45 AM - Worship Service



Modern-day Proverbs

Sermon series

“Don't Talk to People from Other Rooms”

Matthew 13:10-17

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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- Mary Van Kesteren, Office Administrator
- Jim Cristi, Facilities Manager
- Frank Spragens, Music Director
- Cindy Abernathy, Pianist
- Jane Johnson, Organist

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| <p>Our Vision</p> <p>Connecting People to God and Each Other</p> | <p><u>Next Sunday</u></p> <p>Modern-day Proverbs sermon series</p> <p>“This, Too, Shall Pass”</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><u>Elder</u></p> <p>8:30 Andrea Nielsen 10:45 Ben Thompson</p> <p><u>Liturgist</u></p> <p>8:30 Richard Fern 10:45 Scouts</p> |