

**CHURCH CALENDAR**

**Wednesday, January 29**

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

**Thursday, January 30**

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice - Choir Room

**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

**NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY - LAST CHANCE!**

It's time to update our church directory and we need your help! We want to have information that is as up-to-date as possible for all members of our church family. There are a couple of ways to update your information. First, a paper copy of the directory will be available on the next few Sundays in the Narthex. Please stop by before or after worship to update it. Second, if you'd like to review your entry electronically, email the church office and we'll send you a PDF to review. Thanks for your help on keeping our church family connected!

**GAS CARDS FOR STEP BY STEP**

DWM is requesting **gasoline gift cards in the amount of \$25** (from local businesses with SEVERAL locations around town, such as Kroger, Walmart, Speedway, Shell). These cards will be used for the young mothers to transport children to doctor appointments. The gift cards should be placed in an envelope marked Step by Step and placed in the DWM mail box located in the church office (do NOT leave in the giving lane).



**Sunday, February 2**

Modern-day Proverbs  
sermon series

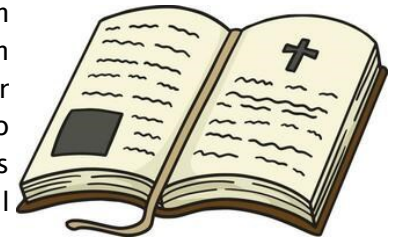
“Don’t Talk to People  
from Other Rooms”

Matthew 13:10-17

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

**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 5<sup>th</sup> grade or above and would like to take the class or if you have additional questions, please let Kory know.

**MODERN DAY PROVERBS SERMON SERIES**

For our first sermon series in 2025, we're taking 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”

## Joys and Concerns

**MEMBERS:** Brenda Crank, the family of Ellen Frost, 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, Bonnie Flanery, 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.

## **OUR BLESSING BOX NEEDS YOUR DONATIONS!**

Crestwood has its own food pantry - the Blessing Box! We keep this cabinet (located outside the children's wing doors) stocked daily with nonperishable food items. Every day hungry folks come and are able to take the food they need to feed themselves and their families. We are so blessed to be able to offer this gift of love and care to our community!

How can you help? Next time you go shopping, consider picking up a few extra items to donate to our Blessing Box pantry! Items should be left outside Steph Wallace's office door in the admin wing. Here are the items we need most:

- Canned tuna
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruit
- Canned beans (refried beans and baked beans)
- Canned soups

Thank you for helping keep our Blessing Box filled for those who need it most. You are truly helping share the love of Christ in a very meaningful and tangible way!

## **RESPONDING TO CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES**

How can we, as faithful disciples, help in horrific situations like the wildfires raging through southern California? STAY...PRAY...GIVE. Stay out of the affected area unless you are part of a specific disaster relief effort; pray for all those affected and for the folks working hard to fight the fires; give to Week of Compassion to help fund relief efforts. Go to [weekofcompassion.org](http://weekofcompassion.org) and help make a difference!

## **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 canned soups for our annual Souper Bowl of Caring. Donations can be brought to the children's wing on Sunday mornings or throughout the week. All donated food will either go to a local food pantry or be used in our own Blessing Box. Thanks for your support as we cheer on our community!

