

CRESTWOOD THE CREST

Our Vision: Connecting People with God and Each Other

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Sunday, March 2 **Modern Day Proverbs Sermon Series** "Win Some, Lose Some" Matthew 20:1-16 Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

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Send articles to: office@crestwoodchristian.org

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Make plans to join us on Wednesday for our annual Ash Wednesday service at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary. We'll be joined by East Second Street Christian Church, and Rev. Dikiea Elery will be preaching. Please be part of this important service as we begin the season of Lent.



WERE YOU THERE? SERMON SERIES

As we start the season of Lent, we'll begin the important, deliberate journey to the cross on which Jesus was crucified. What must it have been like to be there? To watch this journey happen? To participate in it, either for good or for ill? For our Lenten Sermon Series, "Were You There?", we'll look at some of the people who walked with Jesus to Golgotha. Some of these people supported him, others sentenced him to death. What can we see through their eyes about our own journeys of faith?



March 9 - The Jewish and Roman Leaders

March 16 - Iudas

March 23 - The Good Thief

March 30 - The Centurion

April 6 - The Crowd

April 13 - Palm Sunday

April 20 - Easter Sunday



"You clearly know about his toxic personality."

LIVING WELL SERIES ON TOXIC PERSONALITIES

The Stephen Ministers invite you to join us for another round of our "Living Well" gatherings. On Sunday, March 9, at 4:00 PM in the Bradford Room, we'll hear from Dr. Rick Landon, a local licensed marriage and family therapist, who will talk with us about how to navigate difficult or toxic relationships in our lives. This promises to be a helpful and informative time, so please join us!

A WORD FROM KORY



March is always such an odd month for me. I love March, because it carries within its days many things that are important to me: my mom and sister's birthdays, Spring Training for baseball, March Madness for NCAA basketball, and the start of spring and the reminder that new life is coming after the

cold, dreary months of winter.

But March means something else, something more somber and less cheery: Lent. No matter when Easter falls (April 20 this year), March will always encompass at least some part of Lent. Lent is not a March Madness, beginning-of-spring kind of season. Instead, Lent is a spiritual season of no sun in the sky, scraping your windshield, brown gunk collecting on your car, dark by 6:00 PM. Lent is not a spring season; it's a winter season. Do you think, if I asked nicely, the Vatican would flip-flop Advent and Lent? I'd love to have six weeks of celebrating the birth of Jesus and cut down Lent to only four weeks.

I like to give Lent a hard time, but, in reality, it's one of the most important times in the church year. Lent promotes something that we have all but forgotten in our world today. During Lent we are encouraged to look at ourselves and see the brokenness, to admit that we're not perfect and we need help. But who wants to admit THAT? Sure, we know some OTHER people that are that way. You know, really bad people. But not us. Sure, we mess up here and there. But broken? Fallen? Sinful? You must be talking about someone else.

That's why I think our Lenten programs and worship services are so poorly attended. Who's got time to look in the mirror at our humanity when there's so much that needs to be done? If I stop and acknowledge that I'm not the person my dog thinks I am, then I may have to admit that I need to make some changes. And who wants to change? It's easier just staying the same. And, besides, we know Easter is coming and the risen Jesus will make everything OK, so why worry about it?

Sometimes, in our relationship with God, we forget which one of us is divine. We get so wrapped up in our own lives that we can't see the places where we are cracked. Because we're not so bad as others, we think that we don't need saving. And yet, Jesus didn't come to earth as a savior for the really bad folks; he came as a savior for us all, because ALL of us need saving. But we can't claim that truth if we don't walk the journey of Lent.

That journey starts this coming Wednesday with Ash Wednesday, when we are reminded of our humanity and the finiteness of our existence. We start Lent at that place, because it's only from our lowest that God can lift us up. What good is God's grace to us if we're not on our knees? We are broken, and, the sooner we admit it, the sooner God can start to work transformation within us.

The Lenten journey will continue each week leading up to Easter. For the sermons we'll be looking at the people who were around Jesus as he approached the cross. During March we'll hear from two of the non-profit organizations in our community who are bringing healing to the broken in our communities. You can read in this Crest about our Lenten workshop, our book study, and our Habitat build. At Crestwood we are doing our best to shine Christ's light into the darkness of this world.

I hope you'll take the time and effort to join us on the Lenten journey this year. Your staff is working hard to make the season meaningful, but you'll get out of it only what you put into it. Whatever is broken in your life, remember Christ is the balm of Gilead, sent to earth to heal our sin-sick souls. See you at the table on Sunday.

MARCH MEN'S BREAKFAST



Our March Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, March 8, 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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Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: the family of Palina Hurst, Julie McDonald, Tony Shartle

<u>FAMILY</u>: the family of Jan Battles (mother-in-law of Susan Shanklin Battles), Benita Baughn (of Michelle DeLacey), Lisa Jern (cousin of Libby Wachtel), Liz McGrath (sister of Susie Psimer), Paul Morrison (father of Andrea Back), Allie Wachtel (brother-in-law of Libby Wachtel)

FRIENDS: Patti Curry (of Betty Barton), the family of Donald Rebel (of Sandra Thompson)

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), Hazel McKenzie (of Tracy Lovan), John Royse, 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)

<u>ARMED FORCES</u>: 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)

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

<u>OUR WORLD COMMUNITY</u>: 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.

LENTEN WORKSHOP

On Sunday, March 2, we will be hosting Lenten Workshop in Chalice Hall following the second service. This is an annual event when children, youth, and adults gather to kick off the Lenten season. Our project



this year is painting suncatchers and decorating gift bags for church members residing in assisted care facilities. Everyone is invited to make a suncatcher to give and another one to take home. All craft supplies will be on hand, and a pizza lunch will be served. Please RSVP here. We hope to see you there!

FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

Please join us for First Sunday Fellowship on Sunday, March 2. Refreshments will be served in the children's wing following each service.



IN MEMORIAM



IN MEMORY OF PALINA HURST

TIME TO REGISTER FOR WAKON' DA-HO!

It's time to register for camps this summer! Registration forms for the 2025 camping season are now available on the Christian Church in Kentucky (CCK) website, **ccinky.net**. On the home page select the **MINISTRIES** tab and follow the prompts to **Camp Wakon' Da-Ho**. PLEASE register before May 1, which is when the prices will increase.

SCHEDULE:

- Chi Rho 1 (Just Completed 6th 8th grade) June 30 July 5.
- Chi Rho 2 (Just Completed 6th 8th grade) July 7 12
- Camp 101A (Just Completed K 2nd grade must be accompanied by an adult) June 20 22
- Camp 101B (Just Completed K 2nd grade must be accompanied by an adult) July 19
- Mini Camp (Just Completed 2nd 3rd Grade) May 30 June 1
- CYF 1 (Just Completed 9th 12th grade) June 2 7
- CYF 2 (Just Completed 9th 12th grade) June 23 28
- Eighter's Camp (Just Completed 8th grade) June 8 14
- Junior Camp (Just Completed 4th 5th grade) June 16 20

(Detailed descriptions of each camp can be found on the website link above.)

The biggest change this year is how billing and payment will be handled. Campers must pay when they register. After submitting registration forms, please go to **campwakondaho.ludus.com** and select the camp/camps your camper(s) are attending. Families can pay for more than one camp when providing their credit card information.

The church still pays half of each camper's fee. Use the following coupon code on the payment screen: CRESTLEX. When you enter this code, our church automatically is billed for half the camper's fee, and you pay only the other half. Please let Steph Wallace know if you have any questions at all about the registration or payment process.

ARBOR YOUTH SERVICES

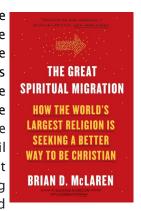
Arbor Youth Services is the only shelter for unaccompanied youth in Central Kentucky, providing shelter for children and young adults from birth to age 24. Crestwood has supported Arbor Youth Services through funding from Local Outreach and collecting needed items through DWM. On Sunday, March 2, representatives from the organization will be present at Crestwood to speak about their mission. You are invited to hear more about ways they provide a safe and supportive environment to youth who have suffered abuse or abandonment or are at risk of victimization. Join us at 9:30 AM in Chalice Hall on Sunday, March 2.

FUN + LUNCH = FUNCH!

FUN + LUNCH is our monthly potluck when we share good food and great conversation and have lots of fun playing BINGO for prizes! Please plan to join us on Friday, March 28, at 11:30 AM in Chalice Hall for FUNCH. Bring a dish to share and come enjoy this special time of fellowship. No RSVP is needed.

BOOK DISCUSSION OF "THE GREAT SPIRITUAL MIGRATION"

You are invited to join the conversation as we discuss "The Great Spiritual Migration: How the World's Largest Religion Is Seeking a Better Way to Be Christian" by Brian McLaren. The book description says, "The Christian story, from Genesis until now, is fundamentally about people on the move—outgrowing old, broken religious systems and



embracing new, more redemptive ways of life. It's time to move again. Brian McLaren, a leading voice in contemporary religion, argues that—notwithstanding the dire headlines about the demise of faith and drop in church attendance—Christian faith is not dying. Rather, it is embarking on a once-in-an-era spiritual shift. For millions, the journey has already begun." We'll meet on the Mondays in March, starting on March 3 at 6:30 PM in the chapel. Please RSVP to Kory if you plan to attend. You can read more and purchase the book by clicking here.

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LET'S BUILD CRESTWOOD'S 40TH HABITAT HOUSE! WHAT A MILESTONE!

Spring is almost upon us and it is time to build another Habitat for Humanity house. Each year Crestwood Christian Church joins with other Disciples of Christ churches in Lexington to build a home for a deserving family. What a great tradition! This will be Crestwood's 40th house (42nd house for Lexington's Disciples for Habitat). Through this effort we have built more houses than any other group in Lexington. This year the Disciples for Habitat will be co-sponsoring the house with downtown Lexington churches and synagogues in an effort called the Faith Build.

This year's homeowner is Rain and her four children, Ja'Male (12), twins King and Ace (6), and Ka'Reem (5). She and her children are so excited to get their new Habitat house. The townhouse will provide space for the kids to enjoy as they grow up in a safe, stable environment. Three of Rain's children have been diagnosed with autism spectrum disorders, so she can't wait to create a sensory room for the boys. Rain works in transportation for Fayette County Public Schools.

As a co-sponsor of a house, Disciples for Habitat contributes funds for the materials. This past year Crestwood raised \$15,055. as our share of the costs. Not everyone is able to work physically on building a house, but everyone can be a part of this vital program by contributing



financially. Our goal for this year is to raise \$23,333. With the increase in the cost of home building, this financial support is essential. We will be seeking donations during the month of March. To make a contribution, you should make out checks to Crestwood Christian Church with the word "Habitat" in the memo line or place cash in a pew envelope and write your name and the word "Habitat" on the outside.

The dates for Phase 1 of the construction are tentatively April 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24 and 25. If you would like to volunteer, please register with Jordan Amis by clicking <u>here</u>, then choose Faith Build. Or, just show up at 634 Maple St. between 8:30 AM and 3:30 PM. No matter the skill level, there is a job for everyone. Together we can build a safe, affordable home for a deserving family.

If you have questions, please ask Steve Seithers via email at sseithers@gmail.com or by phone at 859-519-9096. Thank you and let's continue this great outreach program.

THANK YOU, CRESTWOOD

Thank you for your gift to KRM Lexington, which has helped us continue the work we have done for our newest neighbors for over twenty-six years. Your gift of \$1,100 on 1/11/2025 will help KRM Lexington continue to provide critical services to newcomers, including case management, no-cost therapy for survivors of torture, youth programming, and English classes.

Mary Cobb, Director, KRM Lexington

Thank you for your partnership with the region. Your spiritual, financial, and physical support help make Kentucky congregations and the region stronger in how we care for, connect with, and equip each other. We are deeply grateful and appreciate your increase in your congregation's 2024 Disciples Mission Fund.

Rev. Dr. Donald K. Gillett II, KY Regional Minister

Our AA group deeply appreciates the church's generosity in allowing us to meet on Saturday mornings. There are many men who benefit from your kindness.

Anonymous

Because of your kindness and generosity, lives are being changed. Love truly makes the world go round! Wishing you love, joy, and everything wonderful today and always!

With heartfelt gratitude, Kama Orr, Chrysalis House

We are so grateful for your longtime support of our mission and survivors!! Thank you for your donation of \$380 on 12/30/2024. Your gift is already nurturing lives harmed by intimate partner abuse -- lives of strong survivors...

Corissa Phillips, External Relations Director, Greenhouse 17

PICK-A-POTLUCK

Our church has so many wonderful members and we have the perfect opportunity for you to get to know them even better: Pick-a-potluck! These dinners will be (mostly) hosted in members' homes, with the hosts' providing the entrée and the guests' bringing side dishes. You may already know some of these hosts well and be tempted to sign up to spend an evening with your friends. However, we are encouraging everyone to sign up for a dinner that will allow you to have some informal fellowship with someone whom you may have seen only across the sanctuary until now.

We have multiple dates from which to choose throughout the month of March! Space is limited, and reservations are required at least one week in advance, to allow the host to contact all the guests. Sign ups will be available in the church narthex this Sunday! When signing up, each person equals one spot, so sign up each attendee individually. If you are unsure that you will be at church to sign up, talk to a church staff member or email Saralyn at Saralyn.kingsolver@fayette.kyschools.us for help signing up. We look forward to hearing about all the dinners and would love to see photos of your gathering!

Kerry & Susie Jolliffe March 6 at 6:00 PM 4 adults

Libby & David Wachtel March 21 at 6:30 PM 6 adults

Kelly & Ric Hale March 22 at 5:30 PM 10 people (kid-friendly) Dabney Parker & Ann Haynes March 28 at 6:00 PM 6 adults

A Local Restaurant
Date and Time TBD
(will likely be a Sunday after church)
12 people (kid-friendly)
Attendees will purchase their own meals

PASTOR'S CLASS STARTS MARCH 2

Our annual Pastor's Class starts Sunday, and it's the biggest one we've had in over 15 years! These 17 youth will spend five weeks with Kory and Missy learning about the basics of faith as they prepare to make a decision about being baptized. Please be in prayer for these youth during this important time in their lives. What a blessing to have them as a part of our church family!

Keira Boggs

Nora Brancato

Charlie Brandt

Fiona Friis

Briggs Hall

Ella Hall

Emory Horton

Isabel Kingsolver

Jack Neal

Margot Nunnelley

Ollie Peace

Clark Pickrell

Madeleine Sarver

Maddie Thompson

Quinn Wells

Eliza York

Grace Zakowski

Children's Ministry

Missy Wallace

Dear Crestwood Families,

I am in awe of the growth our church continues to experience, even in a season of unpredictable weather. So many families are finding their way through our doors to explore their faithful journey. It's an exciting time for Crestwood and for the children's ministry. Pastor's class will be kicking off on Sunday with 17 kids ready to take the next step in their faith journey. The season of Lent is almost here, with our



Lenten workshop when families can make suncatchers to bring joy to those in assisted living facilities. In the world, chaos and confusion reign, yet our kids continue to shine the light of Christ in our community.

During this season I hope each one of us prayerfully considers how we can partner with the kids in continuing to do the work of God's kin-dom. Their gifts of leadership are remarkable, and within their joyful, loving souls we can find hope. Together, let's follow the example of our children, to share the love of Christ and remember that the unconditional love of God is the greatest superpower on earth.

Blessings, Missy

SAVE THE DATES

March 2 - 12:00 PM Lenten Workshop, Pastor's Class begins, First Sunday Fellowship

March 5 - Ash Wednesday service, 7:00 PM

March 30 - Kids Singing in 10:45 AM worship

April 2 - First Sunday Fellowship

April 13 - Palm Sunday choir cantata; children's palm procession at 10:45 AM

April 19 -10 AM Pancake Breakfast and Easter Egg hunt

April 20 - Easter Sunday, children's flowering of the cross at 10:45 AM

April 27 - Baptism Sunday, no service at 8:30 AM, all church breakfast at 9:30 AM

June 23-26 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - stay tuned for more details

ELEMENTARY SUMMER CAMP DATES BY GRADE:

Camp 101A (Just Completed K - 2nd grade - must be accompanied by an adult) - June 20 - 22

Camp 101B (Just Completed K - 2nd grade - must be accompanied by an adult) - July 19

Mini Camp (Just Completed 2nd - 3rd Grade) - May 30 - June 1

Junior Camp (Just Completed 4th - 5th grade) -June 16 - 20

THE YOUTH GROUPS NEED EASTER CANDY!!



Please help us get ready for the Easter Egg Hunt this year by donating individually wrapped candy that will fit inside plastic eggs. There are two bins for dropping off candy donations - one in the children's wing and one in the breezeway by the main entrance. Thank you so much for your help!

MARCH CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE (except where noted otherwise)

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

Sunday, March 2

9:30 AM - Arbor Youth Services - Chalice Hall

12:00 PM - Family Lenten Workshop (Youth & Children)

12:15 PM - Pastor's Class - MC4

Monday, March 3

6:30 PM - Book Study - Chapel

7:00 PM - Local Outreach - MC3

Tuesday, March 4

9:00 AM - Library Team - Library

Wednesday, March 5

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

7:00 PM - Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, March 6

9:30 AM - Stephen Ministers - Chapel

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

6:00 PM - Personnel Committee - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice - Choir Room

Saturday, March 8

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

Sunday, March 9

12:00 PM - DWM Board Meeting - Bradford Room

12:15 PM - Pastor's Class - MC4

4:00 PM - Living Well series - Bradford Room

4:00 PM - Combined Youth Meeting

Monday, March 10

6:30 PM - Book Study - Chapel

Tuesday, March 11

2:00 PM - Property Team - Bradford Room

Wednesday, March 12

1:00 PM - Bible Study - MC3

2:00 PM - Safety & Security - Bradford Room

Thursday, March 13

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

6:00 PM - Finance Team - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Sunday, March 16

9:30 AM - Natalie's Sisters - Chalice Hall

12:00 PM - Elders Lunch - Chalice Hall

12:15 PM - Pastor's Class - MC4

4:00 PM - Chi Rho Youth Group

5:00 PM - CYF Youth Group

Monday, March 17

6:30 PM - Book Study - Chapel

6:45 PM - DWM Julia Circle - Bradford Room

Tuesday, March 18

9:45 AM - DWM Naomi Circle - Bradford Room

Wednesday, March 19

10:00 AM - DWM Dorcas Circle - Bradford Room

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

7:00 PM - Administrative Board - Bradford Room

Thursday, March 20

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice - Choir Room

Friday, March 21

6:00 PM - All Youth Friday Night Fellowship

Saturday, March 22

9:00 AM - DWM Spring Conference

Sunday, March 23

12:15 PM - Pastor's Class - MC4

4:00 PM - Chi Rho Youth Group

5:00 PM - CYF Youth Group

Monday, March 24

6:30 PM - Book Study - Chapel

Wednesday, March 26

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

Thursday, March 27

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice - Choir Room

Friday, March 28

11:30 AM - FUNCH potluck - Chalice Hall

Sunday, March 30

9:40 AM - Wake Up with Wallace - Panera

12:15 PM - Pastor's Class - MC4

4:00 PM - Combined Youth Group - Battle Axes

Monday, March 31

6:30 PM - Book Study - Chapel

PUTTING OUR LOVE INTO ACTION

On Sunday, February 23, an amazing team of volunteers came together to listen to guest speaker Jeff Herron teach us about the issues related to homelessness in Lexington, and how we can help our brothers and sisters in need. Afterwards, we made sandwiches and bagged up sack lunches for the Hope Mobile - well over 1000! What a blessing to see everyone working so hard together to share the love of Christ in our community!







KENTUCKY DISCIPLES WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

2025 SPRING CONFERENCE

Come, Holy Spirit, Come! lames 14:15-17

SATURDAY, MARCH 22
CRESTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH
LEXINGTON, KY

Registration is \$30, which includes lunch. Register online at www.ccinky.net - drop down box - "Women's Ministries" OR print/copy the registration form and mail it to the Christian Church in Kentucky (CCK), 1125 Red Mile Rd, Lexington, KY 40504.

Three (3) workshops and lunch will be provided. Please let them know of special dietary needs when you register.

Please note the last day to register is March 15 - to ensure you receive worship materials, and reservation for lunch! We are so excited to worship and fellowship with you!

Please plan to attend & bring a friend!

CRESTWOOD YOUTH LOVE TO SERVE OUR NEIGHBORS!

On Saturday, February 8, our youth spent the afternoon unloading and stocking the donated supplies from GreenHouse17's annual Shop & Share Program. Thanks in part to our hard work, the residents at the shelter will have the food and supplies they need for the months ahead.



Youth Corner By Steph Wallace

For those who have had enough of the cold, spring and its promises of new life are just about here! I love spring, because everywhere I look outside brings to mind new beginnings - new buds and leaves on the trees, flowers beginning to bloom, birds nesting... God's creation is filled with symbols of God's majesty and glory everywhere we look!

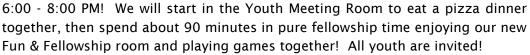


Our youth groups have plenty to be excited about this month, as well... we have finished



re-designing and re-purposing the two youth rooms in the Mission Wing, and I am very excited to introduce you to our new spaces: The Youth Meeting Room (formerly the CYF room) and The Youth Fun & Fellowship Room (formerly the Chi

Rho room)! We have moved some furniture around, done a bit of redecorating, and purchased some new games for the Fun & Fellowship Room! We are going to celebrate this by having our first Friday Night Fellowship of 2025 on Friday, March 21, from





We also continue to be the Youth Group that loves to share Christ's love in service to others - and this month we are serving dinner at Lexington Rescue Mission on Wednesday, March 12. Please sign up to bring food or help us serve by clicking HERE.

Yours in Christ, Steph Wallace

Calendar of events for March, 2025:

Sunday, March 2: Combined Youth & Children Lenten Family Workshop

12:00-1:30 PM - Chalice Hall (Pizza lunch will be served.)

Sunday, March 9: Combined Youth Meeting

• 4:00-5:30 PM in Youth Meeting Room

Future planning (Easter Egg Hunt, Youth Sunday) and devotional

Wednesday, March 12: Serve Dinner at Lexington Rescue Mission

- Van will leave Crestwood by 4:30 PM; return by 6:00 PM.
- Please have all food at church by 4:15 PM, ready to be served.

Sunday, March 16: Regular Youth Group Meetings

- Chi Rho meets from 4:00-5:00 PM in Youth Meeting Room.
- CYF meets from 5:00-6:00 PM in the Youth Meeting Room.

Friday, March 21: Friday Night Fellowship!

• All youth invited! Dinner starts at 6:00 PM in the Youth Meeting Room, followed by games in our new Fun & Fellowship Room!

Sunday, March 23: Regular Youth Group Meetings

- Chi Rho meets from 4:00-5:00 PM in Youth Meeting Room.
- CYF meets from 5:00-6:00 PM in the Youth Meeting Room.
 We will start working on filling plastic Easter Eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt!

Sunday, March 30: Wake up with Wallace & Youth Field Trip!

- Wake up with Wallace meets at 9:40 AM at Panera Bread (drop off your youth at 2300 Nicholasville Rd. and I will get everyone back to church by 10:30 AM in the van)
- Combined Youth Group field trip to Battle Axes!

 Be at church no later than 3:15 PM and bring \$20 with you.

 We will return to church by 5:30 PM.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Invites you to

World Day of Prayer Celebration

This is a world-wide opportunity to pray together as sisters in Christ!

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

Faith Lutheran Church 1000 Tates Creek Rd

9:30 AM for fellowship & light snacks 10:00 AM for World Day of Prayer Celebration

Join women from churches all around Lexington who: Agree to differ, Resolve to love, and Unite to serve In Christ's Name - ALL are invited!

Crestwood DWM is a participating organization with Church Women United. *Contact Pat Waggener at 859-266-6313 or patwaggener@twc.com.

CIRCLE MEETINGS

March Bible Study:

Women Need Women Mentors (Ruth 1)

Julia Circle

Monday, March 17, 6:45 PM in the Bradford Room Mary Taylor will lead the Bible study and be our host.

Naomi Circle

Tuesday, March 18, 9:45 AM in the Bradford Room Jeanne Jouett will lead the Bible study and Alice Hays will be our host.

Dorcas Circle

Wednesday, March 19, 9:45 AM in the Bradford Room

Pat Waggener will present our Bible study program.

Crestwood DWM invites all women to visit one or more of our Circles during September through May.

NOVEMBER SPOTLIGHT ON SERVICE: NATALIE'S SISTERS AND THE WELL

In Lexington we have two agencies who assist victims of human trafficking by providing respite and referrals to community resources. These two agencies are Natalie's Sisters and The Well.

The Drop-in service center at Natalie's Sisters offers a warm breakfast, healthy snack, nutritious lunch, and referrals to community services to those in need.

The Well of Lexington provides a holistic program of safe housing, recovery support, education, and healing for individuals exploited by sex and labor trafficking/exploitation. They keep children and youth from falling prey to traffickers by providing outreach programs to at-risk youth in the Lexington area.

Items requested below may be placed in the Giving Lane (located in the hallway that leads to the Administrative Wing), under the sign "Disciples Women's Ministries":

For those who wish to make a monetary contribution, you may write a check made payable to Crestwood Christian DWM with the letters NS/WELL in the memo line. Please mail your check to DWM treasurer Gayle Hutcherson, 1005 Firethorn Pl, Lexington, KY 40515.

Personal Care items:

toiletry kits (travel size items-deodorant, shampoo, body wash, toothbrush, toothpaste)

Travel size wipes

Travel size hand sanitizer

NEW clothing items:

Leggings T-shirts

Underwear

Rain ponchos

Pantry items:

small Sandwich bags (filled with peanut butter crackers, protein bars, chips, crackers, nuts, raisins, fruit cups, cookies)

16 oz coffee cups with lids (for soup)

Breakfast bars, pop tarts, pastries

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Crestwood Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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CRESTWOOD CARES

Your Generosity as a Congregation Makes It All Possible!

In February our **Local Outreach** gave \$3,000 to Arbor Youth Services.

Additionally, the Bridge Fund was able to assist three different families in need by making the following payments:

KY American Water - \$95

KU Electric - \$305 and \$184

Our **World Outreach** committee gave \$1,380 to Week of Compassion.

Crestwood, you are spreading hope into places where it is needed most and light into darkness for our neighbors. **THANK YOU!**

CRESTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Kory Wilcoxson, Senior Minister
Steph Wallace, Student Associate Minister
Missy Wallace, Children's Minister
Rev. Kelly Hale, Interim Pastoral Care Minister
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