March 9, 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) Look, Ye Saints! The Sight Is Glorious arr. Brian Worley (10:45) Reflections on "Kingsfold" Maureen Howell We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are ready to move into this season of Lent.

People: It is a time of reconciliation with God and neighbor.

Leader: It is a time of self-examination and contemplation.

People: We have come to know more about ourselves and about God.

Leader: We pray for peace and a deeper understanding. People: We pray God's wisdom guides us forward. Leader: Come with open ears to hear the word of God.

People: We are listening, God. Speak to us.

*HYMN 180 Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days St. Flavian

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45)

Maddie Thompson

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Psalm 32:1-7

In the pew Bibles, on page 506-507 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) A Lenten Prayer David Ashley White Grace Hughes, flute

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Selections from the Gospels

SERMON Were You There? sermon series

The lewish and Roman Leaders

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN 198 Were You There Were You There

Responding to God's Word

MOMENT FOR MISSION Habitat for Humanity

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

(8:30) Were You There? arr. R. Christopher Teichler(10:45) Were You There? arr. Christopher Uehlein

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FROM SCRIPTURE

SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP

(8:30) Near the Cross arr. R. Christopher Teichler (10:45) Prayer Brenda Portman 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 197

Beneath the Cross of Iesus

ST. CHRISTOPHER

Rick Fern

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE (10:45) The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter Lutkin

POSTLUDE

(8:30) Fanfare on "Ellacombe" arr. Lani Smith (10:45) Forty Days and Forty Nights arr. T. Tertius Noble

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LIVING WELL SERIES ON TOXIC PERSONALITIES

The Stephen Ministers invite you to join us for another round of our "Living Well" gatherings. **TODAY** 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!

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 North Entrance. Thank you so much for your help!

CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

Plans are currently underway to create a children's library in a classroom beside our Lambs room. During the month of March, we will be collecting children's books in new or like new condition that can be dropped off at the children's wing desk. All donated books will be considered Crestwood property. If we have duplicates or books we can't use, we will make sure they find a home. We are accepting books appropriate for ages 3 years old to older elementary and hope to open our library later this spring. Thank you for continuing to support our kids.

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. 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 are available in the church narthex. 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.

SIGN UP FOR PROPERTY WORK DAYS

Help us keep our church campus beautiful! The Property Team needs your help with trimming shrubs, cutting liriope and ornamental grass, and weed removal. Work will be done on Saturday mornings from 9:00 AM till noon. We will get together at 8:30 AM for coffee, doughnuts, and chit-chat. If you'd like to help, a signup list will be in the narthex on March 9 and 16.

NATALIE'S SISTERS

Next Sunday, March 16, come hear about Natalie's Sisters at 9:30 AM in Chalice Hall. See the March Crest for a list of items needed by the sisters served by this ministry.

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: the family of Palina Hurst, Fred Kidd, Tony Shartle

<u>FAMILY</u>: Benita Baughn (of Michelle DeLacey), Liz McGrath (sister of Susie Psimer), Paul Morrison (father of Andrea Back)

<u>FRIENDS</u>: Patti Curry (of Betty Barton), Susan Griffith (of Joanne Brown), Chris Miniard (of Brianna Browning)

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), 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)

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)

<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.

Our Vision

Connecting People to God and Each Other

Our Mission

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.

Next Sunday

Were You There? sermon series Judas

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

Today's Worship Leaders

Elder 8:30 Patti Bridges 10:45 Gayle Hutcherson

L<u>iturgist</u> 8:30 Rick Fern 10:45 Jeanette Knowles

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD March 9, 2025

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, March 9

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

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 Discussion - Chapel

Tuesday, March 11

2:00 PM - Property Team - Bradford Room

Wednesday, March 12

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

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

Thursday, March 13

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

6:00 PM - Finance Team - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice - Choir Room

Sunday, March 16

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

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

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

12:00 PM - Elders Lunch - Chalice Hall

12:15 PM - Pastor's Class - MC4

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

5:00 PM - CYF Youth Group - Youth Meeting Room

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson, Senior Minister Steph Wallace, Student Associate Minister Missy Wallace, Children's Minister Rev. Kelly Hale, Minister of Pastoral Care Mary Van Kesteren, Office Administrator Jim Cristi, Facilities Manager Frank Spragens, Music Director Cindy Abernathy, Pianist Jane Johnson, Organist



Were You There? Sermon series



The Jewish and Roman Leaders

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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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