

THE WEEKLY

MARCH 18, 2025

CHURCH CALENDAR

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

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

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

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 23 - The Good Thief March 30 - The Centurion April 6 - The Crowds

Sunday, March 23

Were You There?
sermon series
The Good Thief
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

ORDER YOUR TULIPS AND LILIES



Help us decorate the sanctuary for Easter by ordering a tulip or a lily. These flowers can be designated in someone's memory or honor, or you can purchase one just because you like flowers! The flowers will be available to take home after the Easter

Sunday worship services. To order a flower (cost is \$15), <u>click this link</u> or call the church office.

FAITH AND CLIMATE FORUM

Crestwood will be hosting the National Faith and Climate Forum on Thursday, March 27, an event which encourages us to explore how we can take action to care for God's creation. Everyone is invited! To learn more and to register, visit their website at www.nationalfaithandclimateforum.org.

2025 CHURCH DIRECTORIES

The new church directories are available. Come to the church office to pick up your copy.

LEXINGTON RESCUE MISSION NEEDS FOOD!

The Lexington Rescue Mission is moving to their new building the first week of April. To ensure that their clients are fed during the move, they have asked Crestwood to provide breakfast and lunch on Tuesday, April 1. Sign up here to volunteer to bring food and/or to serve food. Contact Kelly Hale for guestions.

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: the family of Palina Hurst, Fred Kidd

- <u>FAMILY</u>: Benita Baughn (of Michelle DeLacey), the family of Kevin Cobb (brother of Patti Bridges), the family of Jan Taylor (niece of Minva Hodgins)
- <u>FRIENDS</u>: Patti Curry (of Betty Barton), Phil Dare (of Dabney Parker), Susan Griffith (of Joanne Brown), John Gross (of Karen Coultas), David Johnson (of Libby Wachtel), Chris Miniard (of Brianna Browning), 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), John Royse, Henrietta Shores (granddaughter of Mary Beth Shores), Nathaniel Sligh (nephew of Kimberly Sparks), 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, Bonnie Flanery, 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.

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.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR NATALIE'S SISTERS & THE WELL

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

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 be 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.

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 TODAY or you can let John Gretz know.

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 hosted in members' homes, with the hosts' providing the entrée and the guests' bringing side dishes. 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.

Below, choose a date! Sign ups are available in the church narthex! When signing up, be sure to 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!