

1882 Bellefonte Drive • Lexington, KY 40503 • (859) 266-0459

# THE WEEKLY

**DECEMBER 1, 2020** 

### **COMING UP**

#### Tuesday, December 1

6:30 PM God's Girls Reading Group - Zoom 8:00 PM Men's Bible Study - Zoom

#### Wednesday, December 2

10:00 AM Soul Care Café - Zoom 11:30 AM Heart-to-Heart Team 2:00 PM Open Sanctuary

6:00 PM Drive-In Vespers Service - North Lot 7:00 PM Called Elders Meeting - Zoom

#### Thursday, December 3

10:00 AM Stephen Ministers - Zoom
11:30 AM Advent Study (Led by Trish)
6:00 PM Blue Christmas Conversation Group
6:30 PM God's Girls Reading Group - Zoom

#### Friday, December 4 - Sunday, December 6

Youth Families Fill NEST Boxes

#### Saturday, December 5

9:00 AM Open Sanctuary 10:00 AM Zoom Faith Group

#### Sunday, December 6

Online Worship

9:00 AM Adult Sunday School - Zoom 9:15 AM 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Sunday School - Zoom

11:00 AM Parents of Youngsters Sunday School - Zoom

#### Monday, December 7

7:00 PM Advent Study (Led by Kory) 7:00 PM Local Outreach - Zoom

# NATIVITY SCENES

We know that you all have some beautiful depictions of the



nativity scene around your house and we want to see them! We're asking you to take a picture of your nativity scene (or scenes) and send it to <a href="mailto:office@crestwoodchristian.org">office@crestwoodchristian.org</a>. We'll be using these pictures as the background for music in upcoming services. Let's see the beauty and diversity of our Christmas decorations!

# **Happy December, Crestwood!**

This edition of *The Weekly* is shorter than usual, because the December 1 *Crest* is full of information about Advent at Crestwood and more.

Click here to view the Crest.

# ONLINE WORSHIP

Available through Sunday email link <u>Facebook page</u> YouTube channel



# ADVENT SERMON SERIES **DETOUR!**

DEC 6

**SERMON:** 

Joseph

Matthew 1:18-24 Rev. Kory Wilcoxson

Have you ever thought you were going a certain way, only to find that way was blocked? Detour! That's the theme of our 2020 Advent sermon series. Every character in the Christmas story - Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, the wise men - all had to take detours from what they thought

their lives were going to be. Many of us are experiencing detours, as well, as COVID alters what we thought life was going to be like. In these sermons, we'll learn how God helped these people through their detours, walking with them into a new way of living and being.

Dec 6	Joseph	Matthew 1:18-24
Dec 13	The Shepherds	s Luke 2:8-20
Dec 20	The Birth Story	Luke 2:1-7
Dec 27	The Wisemen	Matthew 2:1-12

## **Joys and Concerns**

**MEMBERS:** Bettye Burns, \*the family of Billie Casey, Cindy Fulkerson and family, Bill McDonald, Rainey McDonald, \*Carolyn Rasnick and family, Karen Schell, \*Wayne Shaver, Michael and Phyllis Trowbridge, Sonia Woodall

<u>FAMILY</u>: The family of Meryl Clements (cousin of Joe Clark), Betty Donaldson (aunt of Susan Hart), Derrie Edge (sister-in-law of Chrystal Schoeder), Loretta Grannis (aunt of Susan Hart), \*the family of Carl Hensley (brother-in-law of Colette Lane), Joycie Holbrook (aunt of Susan Hart), \*Wilma Horn (aunt of David Wiseman), Kathy Wathen (mother of Kory Wilcoxson)

FRIENDS: \*Becky (of Crestwood), Ingrid Compton (of Betty Barton), Aileen Dalton (of Christie Oliver), Paul Devine and family (of the Harts), Verna Fairchild (of Libby Wachtel), Lucia Felix (of Libby Wachtel), Caden Freeman (of Crestwood), Cellina Gantley (of Kathy Stone), Vicki Lucero (of Crestwood), \*Isaiah McDowell (of Georgia Meece), the family of Suzanne Mitchum (of Callie Price), Joanne Shuman (of Monte LaFrana), Janet and Gary Taylor (of Kathy Stone), the family of Betty Willis (of Callie Price), Brad Woods (of Betty Barton)

<u>ARMED FORCES</u>: Anar Aliyev (of Crestwood), Paul Baird (grandson-in-law of Minva Hodgins), Blake and Jill Chambers and family (grandson of Joe and Karen Billings), Travis Cramer (son of Rick and Cathy Tittmann), Daniel Day (grandson of John and Carol Royse and son of Tracy Day) Bud DeLacey (nephew of Matt and Michelle DeLacey), Scott Eldridge (of Pamela Wainscott), Andrew Lynn (grandson of Joe and Karen Billings), \*Daniel Sigler (son of David and Pam Sigler), Zoe Sims (granddaughter of John Sims), Dalcus Sparks (nephew of Andrea Back)

**HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS:** Jean Aspley, Karen Billings, Margaret Buchanan, Carolyn Floyd, Carl and Jean Ham, Georgia Meece, John Sims, Mary Janice Towles

**<u>OUR WORLD COMMUNITY:</u>** We pray for the inmates of the Fayette County Detention Center and their families, our healthcare workers, and for God's presence and peace in areas of turmoil and suffering around the world.

\*Names added this week. Names are included on the prayer list for one month.

If a name has been removed that you would like added back on, please contact the church office.

# **ADVENT STUDY**

## Peace, Justice, Joy, and Salvation

At Christmas, we celebrate the greatest of God's gifts: the birth of Immanuel, God with us. Throughout the season of Advent, we're able to anticipate God's gifts to us and consider what they really mean. We want to help you dive deeper into the meaning of Advent with a fourweek study called **Peace**, **Justice**, **Joy**, **and Salvation**. This resource from the Thoughtful Christian will help us consider familiar texts from the book of Isaiah through the lens of gifts. Embedded in these texts are gifts that God longs to give us and deeply desires for us to receive into our lives: peace, justice, joy, and salvation.

The study will be offered at two times:

Mondays @ 7:00 PM, starting Nov. 30 (led by Kory) Thursdays @ 11:30 AM, starting Dec. 3 (led by Trish)

Links to the studies will be available in the Weekly email.

Also, join us for **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** on Sundays at 9:00 AM on Zoom for an ADVENT study. Email Trish (<u>trish@crestwoodchristian.org</u>) for discussion points.



On November 29, we began our annual journey to Bethlehem. This year has been one of many challenges and the journey is definitely different than in years past. We are going to hope that we make the most of this detour. In order to aid you in this effort, we are putting together packets with tools for the journey. Each pack will have a set of Advent votive candles (3 purple, 1 pink), a calendar with a daily scripture, a devotional booklet with readings by Henri Nouwen, a sheet with suggestions for service opportunities and suggestions for making this time meaningful, and maybe a few other surprises that will make this a meaningful road trip. If you would like a packet, please email Trish (trish@crestwoodchristian.org or call the church office) or pick one up in the breezeway. We may be separated this year, but we still travel together. May our efforts be such that we are renewed by the gift of the Christ.