

LENT SERMON SERIES: CULTIVATING FAITH

Because the Bible was written in an agricultural society, it has a lot to say about crops and wheat and farmers and fields. While these images aren't completely foreign to us Kentuckians, we may not fully grasp the meaning of these stories and parables because we are not as connected to the land as the people back then. For our Lenten sermon series "Cultivating Our Faith," starting February 21, we'll take a closer look at these

passages in scripture to see what we can learn about how we can grow our faith in God. Join us as we plant seeds and reach toward the Son!

FEB
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SERMON:

Prepping the Soil

Matthew 13:1-9,
18-23

Rev. Kory Wilcoxson

Feb 21	Prepping the Soil	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
Feb 28	Selecting the Seeds	Matthew 13:31-33
March 7	Tending the Garden	Hebrews 6:1-8
March 14	Minding the Weeds	Matthew 13:24-30
March 21	Sharing the Crops	Leviticus 19:9-10 Matthew 12:1-8
March 28	Reaping the Harvest	Luke 12:13-21

COMING UP

All In-Person
Activities Pending
Weather Conditions

Tuesday, February 16

- 10:00 AM Naomi DWM - Zoom
- 6:30 PM God's Girls Reading Group - Sanctuary
- 8:00 PM Men's Bible Study - Zoom

Wednesday, February 17 - **ASH WEDNESDAY**

- 10:00 AM Dorcas DWM - Zoom
- 10:00 AM Soul Care Café - Zoom
- Noon** **Drive-Through Imposition of Ashes**
- 2:00 PM Open Sanctuary
- 6:00 PM** **Drive-In Ash Wednesday Service**
- 7:00 PM Ministry Council - Zoom

Thursday, February 18

- 11:00 AM Bible Study - Zoom
- 4:00 PM Lego Challenge - Zoom
- 6:30 PM God's Girls Reading Group - Zoom
- 6:30 PM Childcare Council - Zoom

Saturday, February 20

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

Sunday, February 21

Online Worship

- 8:30 AM Children's Choir - Zoom
- 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School - Zoom
- 9:15 AM 1st-5th Grade Sunday School - Zoom
- 9:15 AM Parents of Youngsters Sunday School - Zoom
- 10:45 AM Drive-In Worship - North Parking Lot
- Noon Elders Lunch - Zoom
- 2:00 PM Pastor's Class I - Bradford Room
- 3:00 PM Pastor's Class II - Bradford Room
- 4:00 PM Kids on a Mission - Gym
- 4:00 PM Youth Groups

New
Schedule

NEW SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Starting this Sunday, February 21, we will be offering a new Sunday schedule that will allow us to begin returning to church in a limited capacity as we reconnect with God and each other. This new schedule invites you to worship on church grounds and allows children and youth to safely gather indoors for activities.

- 8:30 AM Children's Choir via Zoom
- 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School via Zoom
- 9:15 AM 1st-5th Grade Sunday School via Zoom
- 9:15 AM Parents of Youngsters Sunday School via Zoom
- 10:45 AM Drive-In Worship in North (Gym) Lot
Worship and Wonder and Little Shepherds classes for kids in the Mission Center
- 4:00 PM Kids on a Mission
Alternating Sundays February 21, etc.
- 4:00 PM Middle and High School youth groups
in-person and via Zoom *Times may vary*

We will still provide the pre-recorded full service every Sunday for you to watch at your leisure. The in-person worship will be a simplified version of that service with the same sermon. It will also feature scripture readings, pre-recorded music, prayer, and communion (bring your own or pre-packaged communion will be provided).

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Patsy Anderson, Pam Bolton, Jean Ham, Minva Hodgins and family, Virginia Long, Anabeth Psimer

FAMILY: **Derrie Edge** (sister-in-law of Chrystal Schoeder), **Mary Otis** (daughter of Minva Hodgins), **Jim Parrish** (cousin of Colette Lane), **Bob Rhoads** (husband of Barbara Rhoads), ***Lois Rodgers** (mother of Josh Adams), **Jane Wilkinson** (mother of Doug Wilkinson)

FRIENDS: ***Don Black** (of Liz Fulkerson), **Aileen Dalton** (of Christie Oliver), **the family of Connie Enlow** (of Tippy Wallace), **the family of David Pitman Jr.** (of Phoebe Wiley), **the family of Fran Salyers** (of Carolyn Clark), ***Vince Sayre** (of Ashley Brown), **Janet and Gary Taylor** (of Kathy Stone), **Patsy Wilson** (of Minva Hodgins)

ARMED FORCES: **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, Jean Ham, Georgia Meece, John Sims, Mary Janice Towles

OUR WORLD COMMUNITY: We pray for the inmates of the Fayette County Detention Center and their families, for the peace of God to rule in the hearts of our local and national leaders, for those affected by COVID and natural disasters, and for God's spirit of reconciliation to bring healing during these difficult times.

****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.



Drive-Thru
IMPOSITION OF ASHES
12:00–1:00 pm
North Parking Lot
Under Awning

Drive-In
VESPERS SERVICE
6:00 pm
North Parking Lot
With Imposition of Ashes

LENTEN VESPERS SERVICES

Wednesdays @ 6 PM

Starting February 17

Our mid-week Vespers services will return for the Lenten season.

Starting February 17 (Ash Wednesday), we'll gather at 6:00 PM in the North (Gym) Lot for a brief service featuring scripture, a devotional, music, prayer, and communion.

Please join us for this time of worship and community!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S CHOIR ZOOM

Sundays @ 8:30 AM

Led by Rhiannon White

Zoom Link in Sunday email

KIDS ON A MISSION

February 21 @ 4:00 PM

Kids on a Mission gives third, fourth, and fifth grade kids the opportunity to change the world doing God's work. We will meet on alternating Sundays from 4:00-6:00 PM to work on missions that touch lives locally as well as globally. If your child is a 3rd-5th grader they are invited to join. Please RSVP [HERE](#) to enroll.

ARE YOU UP TO THE LEGO CHALLENGE?

For Kids of ALL Ages!!



WHEN?
Each Thursday
@ 4:00 PM

ZOOM LINK: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86078267678> No need to register or RSVP
Just bring your Legos and your best game face!

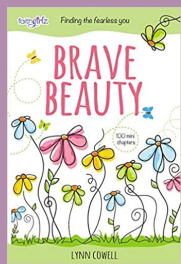
GOD'S GIRLS READING GROUP

Brave Beauty
Beginning February 16

For girls ages 8-12

Tuesday/Thursday

We still have a few openings for our next session of God's Girls Reading Group. Please contact Peggy at [HERE](#) if your daughter would like to participate or for more information.



WORSHIP & WONDER

Starting February 21 we will offer a Sunday morning Drive-in Worship Service at 10:45 AM! During this time we will invite the children indoors for **Worship and Wonder** (ages 4 thru grade 2) and Little Shepherds (ages 2 and 3). To make this happen we need volunteers! Please click [HERE](#) to sign up as a Lion Greeter, a Lamb Greeter, or a Little Shepherds Greeter, or if you have been trained, as a Lion or Lamb Storyteller.

LENTEN FAMILY WORKSHOP

FEB 28 @ 4PM ([Zoom](#))

This year's project will be a lovely wooden cross with a stand, ready to be creatively designed by you and your children. Your kit will include the cross, wooden accents, paint, brushes, and glue. Add your own items and touches to make it unique. Please register below to reserve your kit! Kits will be delivered or may be picked up at the church.



[RESERVE MY KIT](#)



SPECIAL OFFERING

Week of Compassion is more than a week. It is a ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), reaching those in need "around the world, around the year." WOC works to bring aid in times of crisis and disaster, provides ongoing work with refugees, and works to create a just sustainable world for all.

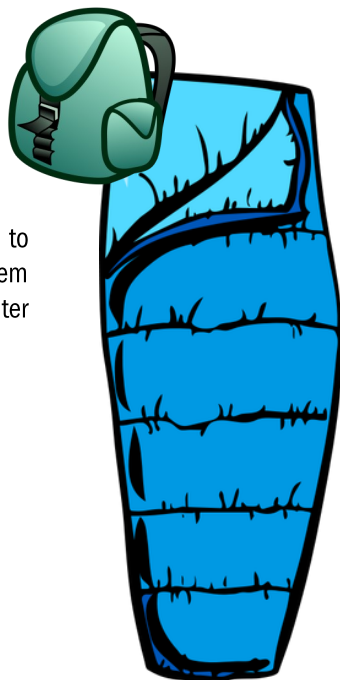
**Nobody hungry, nobody thirsty,
shade from the sun, shelter from the wind,
For the Compassionate One guides them,
takes them to the best springs.**

~ Isaiah 49:10 (The Message)

Joshua Mumbi used to spend much of his time collecting water. When it rained, he would collect water running from the streets. He would often spend much of the day walking to the water source and carrying back buckets. Sometimes he might even travel to the water source with his family the night before, spending the night there so that they could bring back water in the morning. There was not much time to go to school. And when he did go to school, Joshua Mumbi was very tired during the day. It was hard to focus; it was hard to learn. But thanks to Week of Compassion, Joshua Mumbi and his family — and all of the other families in his village — have a safe, clean water source close to home. With a new solar-powered borehole well, they have water for cooking, drinking, bathing, and keeping things clean and sanitary. Because you let love flow, water brought new life to a whole community. Now children like Joshua Mumbi and his siblings can go to school every day, and a whole world of opportunity is open to them. Now the whole community is empowered to provide for their needs, plan for their future, and pursue new opportunities for growth.

LEXINGTON RESCUE MISSION NEEDS

Lexington Rescue Mission is in need of backpacks and sleeping bags. Local Outreach has purchased 10 sleeping bags and 10 backpacks. If you have gently used backpacks or sleeping bags, or if you would like to purchase new ones, please bring them to the breezeway at the Mission Center entrance before March 1. Thank you!



CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Our next meeting will be

Friday, March 5, at 10:00 AM
on ZOOM* for our

World Day of Prayer

celebration. We hope you can all be with us as we join women from around the world to pray for our world!

*Contact Mary Taylor
for the Zoom link at
mat3508@perspectives-usa.com

DISCIPLES WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

FEBRUARY SERVICE PROJECT THE NEST

The Nest provides a safe place for education, counseling, and support for children and families in crisis. They offer no-charge childcare, domestic violence counseling, parenting classes, and help with basic needs such as diapers, formula, and toiletries.

Greatest need: Shampoo (regular size bottles)*

Other items needed: Baby shampoo*, toothpaste, soap, body wash, deodorant, hygiene items, toiletries, and children's diapers size 6

**They do not use trial size items for families. Please label any hotel/travel/trial size bottles for Chrysalis House or The Well.*

Please place all items in the designated container marked "DWM" in the glassed-in breezeway between Chalice Hall and the Administration Wing.

If you prefer, monetary donations are also accepted - please make checks payable to Crestwood Christian DWM and write "The Nest" on the memo line. Please send to the DWM Treasurer Carol Rogers. Anyone is welcome to donate. For more information, please contact Kathy Stone at 368-8327.

CIRCLE MEETINGS ON ZOOM*

Join us for faith and fellowship from women's perspectives!

Hope, Healing, & Wholeness Bible Study

February - The wisdom of God's time:

For everything there is a season (Ecclesiastes 3:1-15)

Mary Martha Circle

Monday, February 15, 6:30 PM on ZOOM

Bible study leader: Melinda Thompson

Naomi Circle

Tuesday, February 16, 10:00 AM on ZOOM

Bible study presenter: Diane McCall

Dorcas Circle

Wednesday, February 17, 10:00 AM on ZOOM

Bible study presenter: Carol Rogers

**An email will be sent out before the Zoom meeting with a link to join in using your smartphone, tablet, or computer, or a telephone number to call.*

Please check *The Weekly* e-newsletter on Tuesdays for any updates to the meeting information listed above.

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

WEEKLY ZOOM MEETINGS

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, Tuesdays @ 8:00 PM

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83891775670>

SOUL CARE CAFÉ, Wednesdays @ 10:00 AM

Kory leads this group, which includes scripture reading, prayer, and a chance to check in and see how everyone is doing.

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/93130030767>

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY @ 11:00 AM

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7893516366>

LEGO CHALLENGE @ 4:00 PM

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86078267678>

ZOOM FAITH GROUP, Saturdays @ 10:00 AM

Let's Zoom together on Saturday mornings! These are challenging days and having a group to connect and grow with is important. If you want to join the group, email Trish at trish@crestwoodchristian.org.

SUNDAY ZOOMS (Zoom links sent in Sunday worship email)

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Sundays @ 8:30 AM

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sundays @ 9:00 AM

1st - 5th GRADE SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sundays @ 9:15 AM

**PARENTS OF YOUNGSTERS SUNDAY SCHOOL:
Sundays @ 9:15 AM**

BLESSING BOX

The Blessing Box outside of the Children's Wing entrance is a supplement to help our neighbors when they need to stretch pantry items. When you have extra, please consider contributing to the box, and share with others that this box is available if they need something. Suggested items include: mac and cheese, canned/bag tuna, canned/bag chicken, peanut butter, rice, beans, canned pasta, pasta, canned spaghetti sauce, crackers, canned vegetables, canned fruit, instant mashed potatoes, muffin mix, cereal, shampoo and conditioner, body wash, lotion, feminine hygiene products, paper towels, and toilet paper.

CRESTWOOD MASKS

These high quality, triple-layered, filter-pocketed masks are still available at the cost of \$10 each or two for \$20 ☺ payable by cash, check, or online. If you would like a mask, please contact the church office.



OPEN SANCTUARY

The sanctuary is open twice weekly for quiet reflection. You are welcome to come on **Wednesday afternoons (2:00-4:00 PM)** or **Saturday mornings (9:00-11:00 AM)** and stay as little or as long as you like. Please enter at the north side glass breezeway. Masks and social distancing are required, with limited access to facilities. If you have questions, contact Trish.

CHILDREN'S SCRIPTURE READING

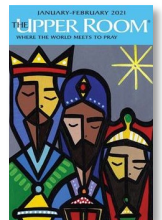
Hey Parents! Once a month our kids participate in a scripture reading for our Sunday worship service. We would love to include your child of any age. If your child would like to participate please let Peggy know at peggy@crestwoodchristian.org.

GIVING

Your support of the church continues to be important as we seek to serve this congregation and the community. Since we are not gathering in person, we encourage you to take advantage of online giving options. Click [here](#) to learn more about how you can give online. Checks may be mailed to: Crestwood Christian Church, 1882 Bellefonte Drive, Lexington, KY 40503.

UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONAL GUIDES

The January-February issue of the Upper Room is available in the breezeway between Chalice Hall and the sanctuary. That entrance is unlocked on weekdays from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. If you would like to receive it as a PDF document, please contact the church office.



REMIND.COM

Join our Remind account to receive text messages or emails about Crestwood Christian Church weather delays, event cancellations, and other important information. Click or type in the URL www.remind.com. If you don't have an account, sign up as a parent. **Receiving Text Messages:** Visit remind.com/join and enter the class code @ccc1882 along with your mobile phone number or Text @ccc1882 to 81010. You'll get text notifications at the number you entered. **Receiving Emails:** Visit remind.com/join and enter the class code @ccc1882 along with your email address to receive emails at that address.

CRESTWOOD ONLINE WORSHIP

Available through Sunday email link

[Facebook page](#)

[YouTube channel](#)