September 12, 2021 **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 I Want to Be a Christian Mary McDonald

We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God has given us a vision.

People: We are called to be the body of Christ in this world.

Leader: We are called to connect people to God.

People: Our hearts are restless until we find rest in God.

Leader: We are called to connect people to each other.

People: We are united as one body in Jesus Christ.

Leader: God has given us a vision.

People: May we honor God by being the people God has called us to be.

*HYMN 288 O God of Vision (v. 1,2,5) Lobe Den Herren

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE Alice Williams

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 29:10-14

In the pew Bibles, on page 731 of the First Testament

CHILDREN'S TIME

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 How Can I Keep from Singing? arr. Z. Randall Stroope

Robert Lowery/ Doug Hutcherson, baritone

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE John 1:35-42

In the pew Bibles, on page 92 of the Second Testament

SERMON Imagine a Church sermon series Rev. Kory Wilcoxson

#1- Connecting People to God and Each Other

HYMN 491 As Grain on Scattered Hillsides Merle's Tune

**Please stand as you are able.*

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY I Am Thine, O Lord arr. Jay Rouse

*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.

OR

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
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

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Your Word Zach Unke

Please take the bread when you receive your communion cup. Please wait and take the juice after the Elder's prayer. Please let the deacon know if you would prefer a gluten-free option. Please take the communion cup with you and recycle it after the service.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Putting Faith into Action

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

If you would like more information or are interested in joining the church, please come forward during the closing hymn.

*HYMN 517 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (v. 1 & 4) Beecher

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE The Lord Bless You and Keep You Peter Lutkin

POSTLUDE Immortal, Invisible arr. Don Wyrtzen

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CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Tuesday, September 14th via Zoom

9:30 a.m. Fellowship, 10:00 a.m. Program

Food Insecurity Forum with God's Pantry

Michael Halligan, CEO, and Anna Russell, Employee & Community Engagement Director

Also, Bread for the World's Offering of Letters

*Contact Mary Taylor mat3508@perspectivesusa.com for the Zoom link.

Join women from churches all around Lexington who Agree to differ, Resolve to Love, Are united to serve in Christ's Name. ALL are invited!

Crestwood DWM is a participating organization with Church Women United. Mary Taylor of Crestwood is the board secretary and may be contacted at (859) 223-8206.

THE RETURN OF CRESTWOOD UNIVERSITY!

We are called to be life-long learners on this journey of faith, and we are pleased to announce the return of Crestwood University, a wonderful way for you to continue growing in your faith. Crestwood University will start on Sunday, Sept. 12, at 4 p.m. Our first class will be called "Connecting with God," and will feature a series of conversations about different spiritual disciplines that help us grow in our faith and connect with God. The classes will be hybrid, meaning you can attend in person or on-line. Our first class will be:

Sept. 12 – Contemplative Prayer

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85950029188

NEW ZOOM SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BEGINNING

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 AT 9:45 A.M.

All who are worshiping from home and are missing connections are invited to join in this new Sunday School class. We will begin studying the Revised Common Lectionary passages for each Sunday. Trish will be leading this class.

Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83125044207

HUNGRY FOR GOD LUNCH GROUP

Looking for a way to connect to God and your church family? Starting Tuesday, Sept 14, at noon, Kory will lead a virtual small group called "Hungry for God." Each week, we'll take a religious word ("grace," "forgiveness," "faith") and explore its deeper meaning. This group is designed for people who want a midday time to take a breath, share a conversation, and grow closer to God. If you're at work, you can take your lunch break and log on. If you're at home, fix yourself something to eat and join us! Wherever you are, we hope you'll take a few moments during your day to connect with us. A link will be sent out every Tuesday morning as a reminder.

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: **Kelly and Wally Cardwell, Mary Murphy**, **Bob Noel**

FAMILY: **Derrie Edge** (sister-in-law of Chrystal Schoeder), **Helen Hemp** (grandmother of Katie Neal), **Reid Hines** (nephew of Allyson Jones), **Mike Mancik** (brother of Eva Dennis), **Patrick Toll** (son of Mike and Dianne Toll)

FRIENDS: **Ann Cook and Family** (of Saralyn Kingsolver), **Judy and Mike Cox** (of Jeanne Jouett), **Aileen Dalton** (of Christie Oliver), **Kevin Fister** (of Rick Jouett), **Celline Gantley** (of Kathy Stone), **Bob Johnson** (of Ward Ransdell), **The Family of Janice Jones** (of Sara and John Gretz), **Evelyn Kemper** (of Don and Pat Waggener), **Zephaniah May** (of Crestwood), **Rev. Tim Parsons** (of the Stafford Family), **Samuel Winn Potter** (of Kathy Stone), **Becky Stapleton** (of Dabney Parker), **ARMED FORCES:** **Anar Aliyev** (of Crestwood), **Paul Baird** (grandson-in-law of Minva Hodgins), **Blake and Jill Chambers and family** (grandson of 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 Karen Billings), **Zoe McIntyre** (granddaughter of John Sims), **Daniel Sigler** (son of David and Pam Sigler), **Dalcus Sparks** (nephew of Andrea Back),

HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS: Jean Aspley, Karen Billings, Margaret Buchanan, Joe Clark, Carolyn Floyd, Georgia Meece, Betty Shanklin, 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.

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

Imagine a Church Sermon Series

Welcoming and Accepting All People

Rev. Kory Wilcoxson

Today's Worship Leaders

Elder

Lucy Wells

Liturgist

Katherine Steckler

What's Coming Up at Crestwood

September 12, 2021

Sunday, September 12th	
8:30 AM	Worship Service - Sanctuary
9:30 AM	Sunday School
9:45 AM	Sunday School via Zoom
10:00 AM	Choir Practice - Choir Room
10:45 AM	Worship Service - Sanctuary
3:00 PM	Chi Rho Meeting
4:00 PM	CYF Meeting
4:00 PM	Crestwood University - Chapel & Zoom
Monday, September 13th	
7:00 PM	Local Outreach - Zoom
7:00 PM	Property Team - Chalice Hall
Tuesday, September 14th	
9:30 AM	Church Women United - Zoom
Noon	Hungry for God Lunch Group - Zoom
6:30 PM	Childcare Council - Childcare Center
8:00 PM	Men's Bible Study - Zoom
Wednesday, September 15th	
1:00 PM	Wednesday Bible Study - Bradford Room
7:00 PM	Administrative Board - Zoom
Thursday, September 16th	
11:00 AM	Thursday Bible Study - Chalice Hall
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir - Sanctuary
Sunday, September 19th	
8:30 AM	Worship Service - Sanctuary
9:30 AM	Sunday School
9:45 AM	Sunday School via Zoom
10:00 AM	Choir Practice - Choir Room
10:45 AM	Worship Service - Sanctuary
12:00 PM	Elders Luncheon - Chalice Hall
12:15 PM	DWM Board Meeting - MC3
3:00 PM	Chi Rho Meeting
4:00 PM	CYF Meeting
4:00 PM	Crestwood University - Chapel & Zoom

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Kory Wilcoxson, Senior Minister
Trish Standifur, Associate Minister
Peggy King, Children's Ministry Coordinator
Melissa Banks, Office Administrator
Frank Spragens, Music Director
Jane Johnson, Organist

Cindy Abernathy, Pianist
Tara Monzon, Parent's Day Out Director
Beth Fowler, Interim Childcare Center Director
Brianna May, Facilities Director
Steph Wallace, Student Associate Minister

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Imagine a Church...

....that Connects People to God and Each Other

September 12, 2021

10:45 AM

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.