November 21, 2021

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 Come, Ye Thankful People Come arr. Robert Thygerson 10:45 Now Thank We All Our God arr. Michael Burkhardt

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

#### Connecting with God

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Give thanks to God, for God is good.

People: We give thanks for God's unending blessings.

Leader: During this season, we cherish time spent with family and friends.

People: We give thanks for the image of God we see in each other.

Leader: Even when life is a struggle, our hearts are filled with gratitude.

People: We give thanks for God's abiding presence.

Leader: Give thanks to God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

People: We give thanks by worshipping God today and every day.

\*HYMN 718 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

St. George's Windsor

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45)

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

Psalm 61:1-5

In the pew Bibles, on page 526 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** 

8:30 Come to Jesus

Chris Rice

Jim Abernathy, soloist

10:45 Zion's Walls

Aaron Copeand, arr. Glenn Koponen

**Proclaiming God's Word** 

READING FROM SCRIPTURE 2 Timothy 3:10-17

In the pew Bibles, on page 213 of the Second Testament

\*Please stand as you are able.

SERMON SERIES

The Problem with Paul #4 - Paul and the Bible

Rev. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN 480

I Love to Tell the Story

Hankey

#### Responding to God's Word

**INVITATION TO OFFERING** 

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

**OFFERTORY** 

8:30 We Gather Together arr. Mark Hayes 10:45 Meditation on "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Arr. Charles Callahan

\*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.

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

8:30 For the Beauty of the Earth arr. Brian Howell 10:45 Father, We Thank Thee Louis Bourgeois

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 714

For the Fruit of All Creation

Ar Hyd Y Nos

\*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE (10:45) A Gaelic Blessing

John Rutter

POSTLUDE

8: 30 All People That on Earth Do Dwell arr. Lloyd Larson 10:45 Now Thank We All Our God Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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# ADVENT SERMON SERIES The Promises of Christmas

The power of the Christmas season is that it is pregnant the promises of Emmanuel, the hope that God will become one of us and show us in new ways God's transformative power. How might Christmas be different for us this year if we look back at those promises and what they mean for us today? For our Advent sermon series, we'll be looking at the word of the prophets about the coming of Jesus, and how those promises can change our understanding of the challenges of this world. Join us for Advent as we lean into God's promises and await the birth of the Christ Child!

Nov. 28 - Isaiah 40 - The Promise of Comfort

Dec. 5 - Isaiah 9 - The Promise of Peace

Dec. 12 - Service of Lessons and Carols

Dec. 19 - Isaiah 11 - The Promise of Light

#### **DECORATING THE SANCTUARY**

Please join on Saturday, Nov. 27, at 9:00 AM to decorate our sanctuary for the Advent season. Well hang wreaths, trim the tree, and make our sanctuary look festive. Join us for this festive occasion!

#### **NEST FOOD BOXES**

Our Youth Ministry collects food and donations every year to fill food boxes for The Nest. This year we have been challenged to fill 350 boxes - more than ever before! You can bring in food or donate \$20 per box! All food donations are due by Sunday, Nov. 28.

Items needed to fill one Nest Food Box: 3 cans vegetables, 3 cans fruit, 2 cans chicken broth, 1 box spaghetti, 1 can or plastic jar of spaghetti sauce, 1 lb bag of pinto beans, 2 boxes Mac & Cheese, 1 box or bag of stuffing mix, 1 box all-purpose baking mix (Bisquick), 1 box dessert mix (brownies, cake, or cookies).

#### **ANGEL TREES**

Our Angel Trees are up and ready for you! Each angel represents a child in Lexington who needs our help to have a Merry Christmas. For those worshipping online, please use the virtual option. For those worshipping in person, please take an angel from one of the trees. If you have questions, please contact Peggy King. Let's all do our part to bring joy to a child this Christmas!

#### **Joys and Concerns**

MEMBERS: The family of Julia Blondell, Bob Noel

<u>FAMILY</u>: Gary Caudill (brother of LaVonne Caudill), Glenn Davis (brother of Julie McDonald), Mark Johnson (brother of Bill Johnson), Greg Powell (brother of David Powell), Shirley Powell (mother of David Powell), The family of Jack Wilcoxson (uncle of Kory Wilcoxson), Anisa Willis (daughter of Rose Willis)

**FRIENDS**: **Linda Jones** (of Crestwood), **Becky Witt** (Of Kimberly Sparks)

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)

<u>HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS</u>: Jean Aspley, Karen Billings, Margaret Buchanan, Joe Clark, Faye Cooper, Carolyn Floyd, Georgia Meece, Betty Shanklin, John Sims, John and Carolyn Thomas, 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

The Promise of Christmas
The Promise of Peace
Rev. Kory Wilcoxson

#### Today's Worship Leaders

#### <u>Elder</u>

8:30 John Royse; 10:45 Sue Michael

#### <u>Liturgist</u>

8:30 Ric Hale; 10:45 Carter Wallace

# WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD November 21, 2021

#### Sunday, November 21

8:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Choir Practice - Choir Room 10:45 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary

12:00 PM Elders Lunch

3:00 PM Combined Youth Groups

#### Tuesday, November 23

12:00 PM Hungry for God - Zoom 8:00 PM Men's Bible Study - Zoom

#### Wednesday, November 24

1:00 PM Wednesday Bible Study - Bradford Room

### Thursday, November 25

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

#### Friday, November 26

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED** 

#### Saturday, November 27

9:00 AM Decorating the Sanctuary

#### Sunday, November 28

8:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Choir Practice - Choir Room10:45 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary3:00 PM Youth working on food boxes

## CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Kory Wilcoxson, Senior Minister Rev. Trish Standifur, Associate Minister Steph Wallace, Student Associate Minister Peggy King, Children's Coordinator Brianna May, Facilities Manager

Frank Spragens, Music Director Cindy Abernathy, Pianist Jane Johnson, Organist Tara Monzon, PDO Director Amber Combs, Childcare Center Director

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# The Problem with Paul Sermon Series

# Paul and the Bible

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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.