

January 8, 2023

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 I've Got Peace Like a River arr. Jay Rouse
10:45 O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright arr. Wilbur Held
We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Welcome this new year as a gift from God.
People: This is the season for renewing our faith.
Leader: God is making all things new.
People: God has blessed us with new opportunities.
Leader: We are here to connect with God and each other.
People: God is right here with us.
Leader: We have come to thank and praise God.
People: How majestic is God's name in all the earth!

*HYMN 284 Gather Us In GATHER US IN

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45) Jack Neal

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Micah 6:6-8
In the pew Bibles, on page 866 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 (10:45) Quia fecit mihi magna arr. J.S. Bach
Harrison Hancock, bass
Because he who is might has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:1-12
In the pew Bibles, on page 4 of the Second Testament

SERMON Jesus is Preaching Sermon Series Rev. Kory Wilcoxson
"Who is Blessed?"

HYMN Blessed Are the Poor In Spirit SEE LYRICS ON RIGHT PANEL

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY
8:30 Give Me Jesus arr. Mark Hayes
10:45 Kings Are Sleeping Carson P. Cooman

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below; Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; OR Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FROM SCRIPTURE

SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP
8:30 Brightest and Best arr. Mark Hayes
10:45 Meditation on "O Morning Star, How Fair & Bright" Charles Callahan
Please eat the bread when you receive your communion cup, then wait and drink the juice after the Elder's prayer. Please let the deacon know if you would prefer a gluten-free option. We encourage you to recycle your communion cup after the service.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Putting Faith into Action

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

If you are interested in joining the church, please come forward during the closing hymn.

*HYMN 530 I've Got Peace Like a River PEACE LIKE A RIVER

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE (10:45) May the Light of Christ Tom Fettke

POSTLUDE

8:30 Gloria in Excelsis Deo arr. Mark Hayes
10:45 As With Gladness Men of Old arr. Craig Phillips

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HYMN

BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT
NETTLETON 8.7.8.7 D ("Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing")

Blessed are the poor in spirit; all God's realm is surely theirs. Those in mourning will find comfort as an answer to their prayers. Meek ones whom this world despises will inherit everything. God, your kingdom still surprises; may we seek the reign you bring.

Blessed, too, are those who hunger and who thirst for what is right. They will not be prone to wander, for your will is their delight. Those who show God's care and mercy will receive that mercy too. God, in Christ you show us clearly of the joy we have in you.

Those who share the peace God gives them will find blessings as God's own. Those oppressed for faithful living will call heaven's kingdom Home. When the world's ways seem distressing and we feel life's painful sting, God, remind us of the blessings of the wondrous life you bring.

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CRESTWOOD CRASH COURSE

SUNDAYS IN JANUARY

Are you new to Crestwood and would like more information about the church? Or have you been here awhile and want a refresher on this wonderful congregation? Join us in January for our Crestwood Crash Course! During these three weeks you'll learn all you ever wanted to know about Crestwood...and maybe some things you didn't even know you wanted to know! Everyone is welcome to join us for these classes. We'll meet at 4 PM in the Bradford Room.

Jan. 22 - A church on the outskirts of Lexington:
The history of Crestwood

Jan. 29 - Who runs the church?
Governance and decision-making at Crestwood

Feb. 5 - How do I get involved?
The programs and ministries of Crestwood

JESUS IS PREACHING SERMON SERIES

Wouldn't you like to hear a sermon from Jesus? Well...you can! Starting Jan. 8 and continuing through February, our sermon series will focus on Jesus' Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's gospel. This sermon covers everything from who God blesses to how to deal with your enemies to whether or not you should worry. Jesus has some amazing things to say, so make plans to worship with us in the new year!

Jan. 15 Salty Christians
Jan. 22 Logs and Splinters
Jan. 29 Love Your Enemies

MEN'S BREAKFAST - JANUARY 14 AT 8 AM

Join us for breakfast! On Saturday, Jan. 14, we'll be hosting a men's breakfast in the Bradford Room at 8 AM. All men of Crestwood are invited to attend this time of food and fellowship. We hope to see you on Jan. 14!

*Please stand as you are able.

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: David Estes, the family of Walt Forster, Jo Fulkerson, the family of Virginia Long, the family of Dan O’Hair, Jeanna Ott, Estee Riling and family, the family of Brad Rister, Mary Janice Towles

FAMILY: the family of Walter Finger (father of Joanne Brown), **Danny Lee Meyers** (brother of Jeanna Ott), **the family of Makenzie Harlin** (great-niece of Jason Taylor), **Taylor Christine Ray** (granddaughter of Jason & Mary Taylor), **the family of Kerry Standifur** (cousin of Trish Standifur), **Jim Wallace** (of Steph & Scott Wallace), **Lois Waltrip** (stepmother of Connie Guilfoil), **Anisa Willis** (daughter-in-law of Rose Willis), **Virginia Wiseman and family** (mother of David Wiseman)

FRIENDS: **Beth Hoffmann** (of Crestwood), **Keri Lee** (of Libby Wachtel), **the family of Foster Ockerman Jr.** (of Crestwood), **Linda Owens** (of Kimberly Sparks), **the family of Matt Spencer** (of Tom & Billie Arnolds), **the Vicary family** (of Michelle DeLacey)

ARMED FORCES: **Anar Aliyev** (of Crestwood), **Paul Baird** (grandson-in-law of Minva Hodgins), **Karlis Bowman** (nephew of Debbie Bowman Gardner), **Matt Holman** (son of Gaye Holman), **Daniel Day** (grandson of John and Carol Royse and son of Tracy Day), **Bud DeLacey** (nephew of Matt and Michelle DeLacey), **Zoe McIntyre** (granddaughter of John Sims), **Ashlyn Marra-Sigler & Daniel Sigler** (daughter-in-law & son of David and Pam Sigler), **Dalcus Sparks** (nephew of Andrea Back)

HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS: Jean Aspley, Karen Billings, Lucy Booker, Margaret Buchanan, Joe Clark, Faye Cooper, Dick Featherston, Jacqueline Lindsey, Betty Shanklin, John Sims, John and Carolyn Thomas, Mary Janice Towles

OUR WORLD COMMUNITY: We pray for the victims and loved ones impacted by all forms of violence, inmates of the Fayette County Detention Center and their families, for an end to the war in Ukraine, 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.

WHAT’S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD
January 8, 2023

Sunday, January 8

- 8:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM Choir Practice
- 10:45 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 11:45 AM DWM Board Mtg - MC3
- 4:00 PM Chi Rho Youth Group
- 5:00 PM CYF Youth Group

Tuesday, January 10

- 1:00 PM Property Team - Bradford Room

Wednesday, January 11

- 1:00 PM Bible Study - Bradford Room
- 2:00 PM Safety & Security Committee - Zoom/Admin
- 7:00 PM Endowment Committee - Bradford Rm

Thursday, January 12

- 11:00 AM Bible Study - Bradford Room
- 6:00 PM Finance Team - Zoom
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Saturday, January 14

- 8:00 AM Men’s Breakfast - Bradford Room
- 2:00 PM Service for Dan O’Hair

Sunday, January 15

- 8:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM Choir Practice
- 10:45 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- Noon Elders Meeting - Chalice Hall
- 2:30 PM Youth Rally - Transylvania University
- 6:00 PM MLK Special Service - Central Christian Church



Jesus is Preaching Sermon Series:

“Who is Blessed?”

Matthew 5:1-12

Rev. Kory Wilcoxson

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

Jesus is Preaching Sermon Series
“Salty Christians”
Rev. Kory Wilcoxson

Today’s Worship Leaders

Elder

8:30 Libby Wachtel
10:45 Andrea Nielsen

Liturgists

8:30 Libby Wachtel
10:45 Jeanette Knowles

CHURCH STAFF

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| Rev. Kory Wilcoxson, Senior Minister | Frank Spragens, Music Director |
| Rev. Trish Standifur, Associate Minister | Cindy Abernathy, Pianist |
| Steph Wallace, Student Associate Minister | Jane Johnson, Organist |
| Missy Wallace, Children’s Minister | Amber Combs, Childcare Director |
| Jennifer Smith, Office Administrator | Tara Monzon, PDO Director |
| Jim Cristi, Facilities Manager | |

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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.*