

April 9, 2023

9 AM & 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 "Since by Man Came Death" from *Messiah* G. F. Handel
We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The shadows are gone and the light has dawned.

People: The stone is rolled away!

Leader: The darkness of Friday has been replaced by Sunday's joy.

People: The tomb is empty!

Leader: Where is the body? What can this mean?

People: Death has been conquered!

Leader: Could it be? Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen, indeed!

*HYMN 216 Christ the Lord is Risen Today EASTER HYMN

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45) Clark Pickrell

READING FROM SCRIPTURE John 20:1-9
In the pew Bibles, on page 114 of the Second 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 *Aria, If God Is For Us*
Courtney Porter, mezzo soprano
Worthy Is the Lamb Amen Chorus from *Messiah* G.F. Handel

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE John 20:10-18
In the pew Bibles, on pages 114-115 of the Second Testament

SERMON Whom Are You Looking For? Rev. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN 562 Because He Lives RESURRECTION

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY Then Shall Be Brought to Pass
O Death, Where Is Thy Sting
Emily Sparks, alto; Houston Tyrrell, tenor
But Thanks Be to God from *Messiah* G. F. Handel

*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 *Aria* I Know that My Redeemer Liveth
from *Messiah* G.F. Handel

Jazmin Salaberrios, soprano
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 222 Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna! W ZLOBIE LEZY

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE Hallelujah from *Messiah* G.F. Handel

POSTLUDE Christ is Risen! Hermann Schroeder

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A SPECIAL "THANK YOU" TO OUR ORCHESTRAL TALENT

Trumpet: Drew Reynolds, Brandon Dorn

Tympani: Aaron Jones

Violin: Gretchen Tucker, Meg Saunders, Lydia Elam,

Julie Lastinger, Julie Baker, Sara Francis

Viola: Jonathan Crossmer, Dale Jones

Cello: Pono Santos Fike, Rebecca Price

Contrabass: Sue Lucas

Organ, harpsichord: Jane Johnson

BAPTISM SUNDAY - APRIL 23

One of the most important decisions we will ever make in life is to give our lives to Jesus Christ by being baptized. We're excited that a group of our young people have made that decision and will be baptized Sunday, April 23. Please make plans to join us at the 10:45 AM service as we baptize these wonderful people of our community. This is a special day for them and we want their whole church family to celebrate with them!

EASTER TULIPS & LILIES

If you ordered a tulip or lily, you are welcome to take it home after the 10:45 AM service. If you would like to leave your plant, Ward Ransdell has graciously offered to plant these beautiful flowers around Crestwood's grounds.

VBS REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: JUNE 5 - 8

Vacation Bible School will be out of this world this year! Our beloved children will explore outer space and what it means for Jesus' light to shine. To register, please visit www.crestwoodchristian.org/VBS.

BEGINNING APRIL 13 - SPACE FOR GOD

THURSDAYS 6:00 PM & MEAL SERVED AT 5:30 PM

As we celebrate once again the amazing grace and goodness of God, we want to offer an opportunity to grow in your connection to God. Using *Space for God* by Don Postema, we will learn ways to pray and create space for Spirit in our lives. Each week we will gather for a simple meal and fellowship at 5:30 pm. At 6 pm we will gather in the chapel. This is open to anyone wanting a deeper connection to God. This experience will be led by Trish and Steph. If you would like to come or have questions, please email trish@crestwoodchristian.org. RSVPs are helpful so we can order the books.

**Please stand as you are able.*

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Wayne Dennis, Jo Fulkerson, Sylvia Griffin, Patty Hollingsworth, Jeanna Ott

FAMILY: **Rebecca Carroll** (niece of Kimberly Sparks), **Dan Doty** (uncle of Karen Blakeman), **Michele Mitchell** (daughter of Wayne & Eva Dennis), **John & Inna Schiano** (parents of Steph Wallace), **Jim Wallace** (father of Scott Wallace), **Kathy Wathen** (mother of Kory Wilcoxson)

FRIENDS: **Jewel Johnson** (of Alma Kidd), **Paul Litvin** (of Beverly Tucker), **Regina** (of Kimberly Sparks), **Sandra & Travis Roelke** (of Beryl & Janice Thompson), **Deb Vorndran** (of Tara Wilkinson)

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

OUR WORLD COMMUNITY: We pray for the victims & 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.

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

"Have You Believed Because
You Have Seen?"
John 20:19-31
Rev. Trish Standifur

Today's Worship Leaders

Elder

9:00 John Gretz
10:45 Joan Stafford

Liturgist

9:00 John Gretz
10:45 Michael Murray

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD April 9, 2023

Sunday, April 9 [EASTER]

9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
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Tuesday, April 11

2:00 PM Property Team - Bradford Room

Wednesday, April 12

1:00 PM Bible Study - MC4
2:00 PM Safety & Security Committee - Admin Wing

Thursday, April 13

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

Sunday, April 16

8:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Acolyte Training - Sanctuary
10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:45 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
Noon Elders Meeting - Chalice Hall / Zoom
4:00 PM Chi Rho Youth Group
5:00 PM CYF Youth Group

CHURCH STAFF

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	Tara Monzon, PDO Director
Jim Cristi, Facilities Manager	Amber Combs, Childcare Center Director

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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.*