

April 23, 2023 Baptism Sunday 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

Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters
arr. David Cherwien
We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP (written by baptismal candidates)

Leader: God is...our creator, leader, forgiving, and giving.

People: God is...all-loving, kind, inclusive, and amazing.

Leader: Jesus is...son of God, a human, welcoming, and peaceful.

People: Jesus is...a teacher, a helper, a light in the darkness, our Savior.

Leader: The church is...the house of God, a family, a community.

People: The church is...non-judgmental, a safe place, and home.

Leader: We are...curious followers, God's children, and faithful.

People: We are...imperfect, joyful, forgiven, and holy.

*HYMN 365 Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters BEACH SPRING

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE Madelyn Thompson

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Romans 6:1-5
In the pew Bibles, on page 156 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 One Pair of Hands arr. Carroll Robinson
Emily Sparks, alto

The Sacrament of Baptism

PRESENTATION OF BAPTISMAL CANDIDATES

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

BAPTISMS

BAPTISMAL PRAYER

HYMN 375 In Water We Grow STANLEY BEACH

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Christ Lay in the Bonds of Death Georg Telemann

*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

Borning Cry arr. David Christiansen
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 75 I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry WATERLIFE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing arr. Kenneth Kosche

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HOORAY FOR BAPTISMS!

We are so proud of these youth for making the decision to give their lives to Christ through baptism. Please pray for them as they enter the waters and claim the new life Jesus offers them. They are (listed with their mentors):

Julie Blackburn – Tara Wilkinson
Brie Bookman – Amy Wheeler
Peyton Caudill-Gurwell – Lucy Wells
Clara Deerhake – Elizabeth Richardson
Lauren Deerhake – Roberta Buckley
Tempie Guckenberger – Dabney Parker
Maelee Thompson – Gayle Hutcherson
Gabe Owens – Sonny Wray
Mia Thor – Pat Nielsen
Landon York – Matt Bacon
Thomas Zakowski – Wayne Shaver

These youth will be baptized at a later date:

Patton Barlow-Fiero – Joan Stafford
Grae Percio – Patti Bridges
Hampdyn Percio – Patti Bridges

FREE CONCERT TONIGHT AT 7:30 PM

University of Kentucky School of Music and Recitals in Colors present "Immanuel! A Dramatic Reimagining of the Greatest Story Ever Told." This wonderful recital will spotlight some of Crestwood's very own singers and talent. Please come enjoy this beautiful music in our sanctuary this evening.

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.

THE RETURN OF SRO TRIPS!

It is time to gas up the van and get our SRO (Seniors, Retirees, and Other adults) back on the road! Friday, April 28 we will be heading to Danville to enjoy a visit to the McDowell House, a deli lunch, shopping downtown, and of course a stop at Burke's Bakery! We will leave at 9:00 AM and return late afternoon. Please RSVP to trish@crestwoodchristian.org if you can attend.

**Please stand as you are able.*

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Joe Clark, Wayne Dennis, Jo Fulkerson, Patty Hollingsworth, Jeanna Ott, Rick Tittmann

FAMILY: Rebecca Carroll (niece of Kimberly Sparks), Dan Doty (uncle of Karen Blakeman), John Schiano (father of Steph Wallace), Jim Wallace (father of Scott Wallace)

FRIENDS: Betty Lou Evans (of Crestwood), Frank Giardina (of Ed Gardner), Dean Hendricksen (of Bev Tucker), family of Jewel Johnson (of Alma Kidd), Paul Litvin (of Beverly Tucker), Regina (of Kimberly Sparks), Sandra & Travis Roelke (of Buryl & 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, Jacqueline Lindsey, Betty Shanklin, John Sims, John & Carolyn Thomas

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

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD April 23, 2023

Sunday, April 23 [BAPTISM SUNDAY]

8:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
Noon Reception for Pastor's Class Candidates
7:30 PM Choir Recital - Sanctuary

Monday, April 24

5:00 PM Deadline for Crest articles
6:30 PM Crestwood Book Club - Youth Rooms

Tuesday, April 25

7:00 PM Childcare Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 26

1:00 PM Bible Study - Bradford Rm

Thursday, April 27

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

Friday, April 28

11:30 AM Fun + Lunch = FUNCH - Chalice Hall

Sunday, April 30

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



BAPTISM SUNDAY

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

Snakes in the Church

Mark 16:1-20

Rev. Kory Wilcoxson

Today's Worship Leaders

Elder

Amy Wheeler

Liturgists

The Baptismal Candidates

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Kory Wilcoxson, Senior Minister
Rev. Trish Standifur, Associate Minister
Steph Wallace, Student Associate Minister
Missy Wallace, Children's Minister
Jim Cristi, Facilities Manager

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

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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.*

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