

CHURCH CALENDAR

Tuesday, May 2

1:00 PM Library Team - Library
7:00 PM Endowment Comm - Bradford Rm

Wednesday, May 3

1:00 PM Bible Study - Bradford Room

Thursday, May 4

9:30 AM Stephen Ministers - Chapel
11:00 AM Bible Study - Bradford Room
5:30 PM Space for God - Chapel
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Sunday, May 7

8:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
10:45 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
11:45 AM DWM Board - MC3
4:00 PM Combined Youth Groups for Youth Sunday Practice

SPACE FOR GOD SERIES
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 and know how much food to prepare.



SUNDAY, May 7
“Hugging the Trunk”
Matthew 25:14-30
Rev. Kory Wilcoxson

GET READY FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

VBS Registration Now Open!

Scan the QR code to register!



VOLUNTEER FOR VBS!

If you would like to volunteer for VBS, we would love to have you join our crew! Whatever your gifts, there is a place for you.

- Decorating
- Tear Down/Clean Up
- Meal Preparation
- Crew Leader
- Assistant Crew Leader
- Photographer
- Station Leader
- Mission Project Coordinator

Please contact [Missy Wallace](mailto:MissyWallace@crestwoodchristian.org) for more information.

Visit www.crestwoodchristian.org/vbs to learn more!

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Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Joe Clark, Wayne Dennis, Jo Fulkerson, Jeanna Ott, Mike and Dianne Toll

FAMILY: Anne Kopenhoefer King (step-sister of Becky Ernst), Ken Slone (father of Beth Hoffmann)

FRIENDS: Betty Lou Evans (of Crestwood), Frank Giardina (of Ed Gardner), Dean Henricksen (of Bev Tucker), family of Jewel Johnson (of Alma Kidd), Carol Rogow (of Libby Watchtel), the Trowbridge family (of Alice Williams)

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.

INVEST IN OUR YOUTH GROUP

As you know, the high school youth are taking an international mission trip this summer to Costa Rica. We'll be working with Strong Missions to help the people in the area around San Jose, working to renovate homes, providing learning opportunities for local children, and learning about the culture and unique needs of the people there and how we can support them. We will be there for six days, and we have 8 people going with us. This promises to be a life-changing event!



MISSION TRIP

Here is your chance to participate with us! We will be selling stock in the youth group on May 7th and 14th. Stock certificates will be available for purchase for any price. There will be a stock sales table set up in the Narthex both Sundays. After the mission trip, all stockholders will be invited to a special dinner, during which we will show pictures and tell stories about our time in Costa Rica.

The money raised through the sale of stock will help us pay for our airfare and ground transportation while on the trip. Please prayerfully consider this mission trip and the profound effect it will have on both the youth and the people we help. An investment in the Crestwood Costa Rica Mission Trip will reap great rewards in the hearts of countless people.

PASTOR CLASS PROJECT

Hi, my name is Peyton Caudill-Gurwell. My Pastor's Class project is collecting supplies for the Humane Society. There are bins at the church doors. Acceptable donations items are listed below. Thank you!

Dogs:

- Purina Dog Chow (chicken)
- Greenies Pill Pockets
- Peanut Butter
- Soft canine training treats, such as Moist & Meaty
- Please note: We are not able to accept rawhide donations

Cats:

- Purina Cat Chow (chicken)
- Unscented cat litter (clumping & non-clumping)
- Canned tuna (in water only)
- Canned sardines

Miscellaneous:

- Newspaper
- Small animal pet food & bedding (no cedar bedding)
- Timothy hay/Alfalfa for small animals
- Paper towels
- Gas cards or other gift cards
- High-grade AA & AAA batteries
- HE (High Efficiency) laundry detergent
- Copy paper
- Liquid bleach

DISCIPLES WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

MAY SERVICE PROJECT THE NATHANIEL MISSION

We are delighted to accept churchwide donations to our monthly DWM Service Projects. Please refer to the full article in this issue for more information & list of items requested.

CIRCLE MEETINGS May Bible Study:

Mary and Elizabeth: *Learned to Lean and Encouraged*
(Luke 1:26-45; 56)

Julia (Mary Martha) Circle
Monday, May 15, 6:30 p.m. in the Bradford classroom
Please note the earlier meeting time of 6:30 p.m.

We will enjoy a Salad Supper – please bring a dish to share!

Naomi Circle
Tuesday, May 16, 9:45 a.m. in the Bradford classroom

Trish Standifur will lead the Bible study, and Elaine Lollis will be our host.

Dorcias Circle
Wednesday, May 17, 10:00 a.m. in Chalice Hall

Carlene Adams will present our Bible study program.

Crestwood Christian DWM invites all women to visit one or more of our Circles during September through May

PLUG IN!

Share Your Time and Talents at Crestwood

Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!
Matthew 25:21

In the Parable of the Bags of Gold, we learn how when we put our gifts to use we are rewarded so that we may share in our Master's happiness. Please consider how can you share your talents and gifts to bring joy to God, yourself, and others. It's time to plug in!

Whatever our interests and skills, Crestwood offers so many ways to connect to God and each other through service and ministry. What opportunities speak to your heart? Whether you've served on a ministry team for years or are looking for a new way to connect, we are excited to see how you can plug in and find a way to transform your gifts into service at Crestwood.

Spring is a time of renewal and growth. It's also when we conduct our annual Time and Talents Campaign. On May 7 and 14 you'll have an opportunity to complete a survey. You can complete the form in your bulletin and place it in the offering place or complete the quick survey online. You can indicate that you'd like to continue serving where you are, would like to specify your interests and talents that you can contribute in a new way, or we can reach out to you to help find a way for you to connect. Scan this code to take the quick survey!



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY FUNDRAISING

This is an important year for the Disciples churches in Lexington in its collaboration with Lexington Habitat for Humanity. This year Disciples for Habitat will help build and sponsor its 40th house! (Crestwood will have helped with 38 of them!) That is the most by any group in the city. We are really proud of this great tradition. We are truly making a difference in dealing with homelessness in Lexington.

This year's house is located at 429 Ash Street. The homeowners will be Uunda, Claris, and their three daughters (Nyota (age 3), Ungwa (age 1), and Eto (age 1). They fled the Democratic Republic of Congo and spent a few years in Tanzania before arriving in the U.S. Uunda works in production at Yokohama and Claris cares for their daughters.

As co-sponsors of a house, we contribute toward the cost of the building materials through fundraising during the month of May. Crestwood's goal is \$20,667. To make a monetary contribution make your check out to Crestwood Christian Church with "Habitat" on the memo line, or place cash in the pew envelope annotated "Habitat" on the outside.

The dates for Phase 1 of the construction are May 17, 18, 19, 20, June 2, 3, 9, 10. If you would like to volunteer please register with Eli O'Neal via email at elio@lexhabitat.org. Please let him know you are a Disciple! No matter the skill level there is a job for everyone. Together we can build a safe, affordable home for a deserving family.

