

# THE WEEKLY

JUNE 13, 2023

### **CHURCH CALENDAR**

Tuesday, June 13

2:00PM - Property Team - Bradford Room

Wednesday, June 14

1:00PM - Bible Study - MC4 2:00PM - Safety & Security Committee - Zoom/ Admin Wing Conference Room

Thursday, June 15

11:00AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room 6:00PM - Finance Team - Bradford Room

Sunday, June 18 - Father's Day

8:30AM - Worship Service - Sanctuary

9:30AM - Sunday School

9:30AM - Choir Practice

10:45AM - Worship Service - Sanctuary

Monday, June 19 - Juneteenth Office Closed

#### **CAMPERS LOVE MAIL!**



This week, the following youth will be at Eighters Camp:

Carter Wallace and Rachel Wilkinson
Please consider sending them a card or a brief note.

Mail should be sent to: Camp WaKon'Da-Ho 7900 57-70 Liberty, KY 42539

### CYF INTERNATIONAL MISSION TRIP!

This Sunday, the 8 youth and adults below will fly to Costa Rica to serve and share God's love with others for a week. Please pray for traveling mercies and a meaningful experience for them and for those whom they will be serving and building relationships with.

Julie Blackburn Eliana Brancato Mike Brancato Andrea Nielsen Lillie Nielsen Grant Wilkinson Tara Wilkinson Kory Wilcoxson SUNDAY, June 18

The Kin-Dom of God Sermon Series Luke 17:11-21

**Rev. Kory Wilcoxson** 

### **VBS WAS A STELLAR SUCCESS!**



Just a few numbers from an amazing week of VBS:

- 112 Children Registered
- 102 children on site during the week, 10 received at-home VBS kits
- 79 Volunteers
- 5 Nursery Workers served 4 kids during VBS
- Over 1000 items were collected for the VBS mission project benefiting Glendover Elementary School including cash donations.

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# **CRESTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

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### **Joys and Concerns**

- **MEMBERS:** Joe Clark, Jo Fulkerson, Alma Kidd, Traci Letcher, Jeanna Ott, Skip Redmond, Pat Waggener, Dotty Williams
- <u>FAMILY</u>: Blake Brewster (nephew of James Pelphrey), John Gray (brother of Alma Kidd), Mack Ramsey (grandson of Mitzi Ramsey, Jim Wallace (father of Scott Wallace), Tom Wilcoxson (father of Kory Wilcoxson)
- <u>FRIENDS</u>: Family and friends of Guy Waldrop (of Crestwood), Family and friends of Lourrae

  <u>Ewbank</u> (of Andrea Nielsen), Frank Giardina (of Ed Gardner), Dean Henricksen (of Bev Tucker),

  <u>safe travels for the Makola family</u> (of Crestwood), Tonya Merritt and family (of Tara Wilkinson),

  <u>Jacob Whitt</u> (of Libby Wachtel)
- ARMED FORCES: Anar Aliyev (of Crestwood), 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)
- <u>HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS</u>: Jean Aspley, Karen Billings, Lucy Booker, Margaret Buchanan, Joe Clark, Faye Cooper, Jacqueline Lindsey, Betty Shanklin, John Sims, John & Carolyn Thomas
- <u>OUR WORLD COMMUNITY</u>: 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.

## SERMON SERIES - THE KIN-DOM OF GOD: WITHIN US, AMONG US

The theme for the 2023 General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is "Kindom of God: Within us, Among Us." As Rev. Yvonne Gilmore, Associate General Minister and Interim Administrative Secretary for the National Convocation, wrote: "'Kin-dom' is not a spelling error or a replacement for the word kingdom. It's a way of connecting the 'kin' that God makes and expanding our imagination about Jesus."

In the last few years, violent political radicalization, a literal plague, and cascading natural disasters have all served to deepen fractures in our faith communities and bodies of belonging. We are much more likely to imagine our neighbor as our enemy than as our kin in the body of Christ. By dwelling on what it means to be the Kin-dom of God, we invite the Holy Spirit to once again reorient us around the True Love which saves and liberates and unites us all. Remember what Paul taught the church in Ephesus: "Now you are no longer strangers and aliens. Rather, you are fellow citizens with God's people, and you belong to God's household." We became God's household because Christ came and dwelled amongst us, bringing the Kindom of God near. Christ's power and presence is not diminished! The Kin-dom of God is here.

For our summer sermon series, we'll join with other Disciples churches across the country to learn what it means to be the Kin-dom of God. Join us as we seek to live out our call to be the one body of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.

June 18 - Luke 17:11-21 - Healing of the 10 lepers

June 25 - Isaiah 58:8-12 - Being God's people

July 2 - Genesis 11:1-9 - The tower of Babel

July 9 - Mark 4:30-32 - The parable of mustard seed

July 16 - Psalm 33:13-19 - God watches over us

July 23 – 2 Peter 1:1-11 – God has given us everything we need

July 30 - General Assembly Sunday



**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING JUNE 18** 

There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, June 18, after the 10:45 a.m. worship service, to vote on the 2023-24 slate of leaders and a constitutional amendment. Please make plans to attend!

## **Proposed Constitutional Amendment**

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

SECTION A: Officers and Terms of Office

(8) Deacons: not less than sixty (60) forty-two (42) in number, the exact number as specified in the By-Laws, one-third of whom shall be elected each year for a term of three (3) years

Nominating Committee's note: There have been several post-pandemic changes to the role of Deacons that necessitate this change. First, the choir has switched to a system of choir stewards who serve in lieu of Deacons. Second, with the switch to prepackaged communion, only four deacons are required to serve the congregation, compared with eight before the pandemic. Third, there is no longer a communion setup and clean-up role. Therefore, the Nominating Committee recommends reducing the number of Deacons to 42, which allows a sufficient number for service while being more realistically related to the Church's current needs. (The committee has nominated 16 candidates for deacon this year, two of whom are designated to fill existing vacancies.)

### LTS/KORY'S GRADUATION

LTS will hold its graduation ceremony in Crestwood's sanctuary on Friday, June 16th at 10:00AM. At graduation, Kory will be awarded his Doctor of Ministry degree, officially becoming Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson! There will be a very simple reception after the 10:45 am service on Sunday, June 18th, in Chalice Hall for the congregation to congratulate him on this accomplishment. We hope you can join us for these special events.