August 6, 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

All Creatures of Our God and King 8:30

arr. Pepper Choplin 10:45 arr. Healey Willan We Gather Together

We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: When we sing a hymn...

People: ...we honor God's creativity. Leader: When we listen to scripture...

People: ... we receive God's wisdom.

Leader: When we pray as a community... People: ... we invoke God's compassion.

Leader: When we greet each other with a smile...

People: ... we share God's love. Leader: When we worship together...

People: ... we praise God.

*HYMN 277 Christians, We Have Met to Worship

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45)

Isabel Kingsolver

HOLY MANNA

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Romans 12:1-8 In the pew Bibles, on page 161 of the Second Testament

BABY DEDICATION OF HENRY BALE LARKIN

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

8:30 Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus Katherine Steckler, soprano

10:45 Offertory

John Ness Beck Doug Hutcherson, baritone

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Psalm 95:1-7

In the pew Bibles, on page 550 of the First Testament

ACTING OUT SERMON SERIES

SERMON Why We Worship Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

*HYMN 117 He Is Lord (sing 2x) He Is Lord

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Reinhold Gliere 8:30 Arietta 10:45 Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus arr. Paul Manz

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

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

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FROM SCRIPTURE

SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP

8:30 Softly and Tenderly arr. Cindy Berry 10:45 Communion 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 17 O Worship the King Lyons

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You Peter Lutkin

POSTLUDE

8:30 When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder arr. Mark Haves 10:45 Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

arr. Anna Laura Page

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WORSHIP & WONDER STORYTELLER TRAINING

On August 27 we are hosting a new story teller training for new volunteers who wish to serve in the Worship and Wonder program. No prior experience required, and all are welcome. If interested, please contact Missy Wallace (missy@crestwoodchristian.org) or Emily Hobbs (emilykhobbs0@gmail.com) for more information.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS!



August 13

Following the 10:45 AM worship we will have the annual Blessing of the Backpacks. All students and teachers are encouraged to bring their backpack, briefcases, or bags of any type to be blessed and to receive a zipper pull for a constant reminder of God's presence.

UK FOOTBALL CAR PARK!

Every home game, we park cars at Crestwood for \$10 a spot, and every dollar raised goes into the Youth Mission fund to help pay for our summer mission trips! Please spread the word and tell your friends to come park at Crestwood! Also, if you are a youth, please sign up to help work ONE car park during the season. Contact Steph to Sign Up!

Go Wildcats!

AUGUST SERMON SERIES

For centuries, followers of Christ have been gathering on Sunday morning for the act of worship. Whether it is a majestic cathedral, a thatched hut, or a clapboard country church, Christians have come together to give God praise. While worship services differ in style, tone, and length, they feature many common elements, like prayers, hymns, and sermons. For some, Sunday worship is so routine that it can easily lose its meaning. For others, the strange act of worship never held much meaning in the first place. So why do we worship?

In August, we'll be attempting to answer that question in our "Acting Out" sermon series. We'll look at the different aspects of worship and the meaning behind them, with that hope that we gain a renewed understanding and appreciation of this peculiar act in which we participate each Sunday.

Aug. 13 – The Word and the Words

Aug. 20 - Making a Joyful Noise

Aug. 27 - Setting the Table

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Joe Clark, Faye Cooper, Bonnie Flanery, Jo Fulkerson, Alma Kidd, Jeanna Ott

<u>FAMILY</u>: Mack Ramsey (grandson of Mitzi Ramsey), Emily Barr Richards (of the McDonalds), Lauren Saunier (daughter of Annetta Carter), Family and Friends of Donna Smith (sister-in-law of Mitchell Smith), Jim Wallace (father of Scott Wallace)

FRIENDS: Suzanne Cristi (of Crestwood), Frank Giardina (of Ed Gardner), Erin Laswell and Casey Rusher (of Crestwood), Carolyn and Paul Shriver (of the Harts)

ARMED FORCES: Alex Back (son of Andrea Back), 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)

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.

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

The Word and the Words
Psalm 95:1-7
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

Today's Worship Leaders

Elder 8:30 John Gretz 10:45 Dan Pence

<u>Liturgist</u> 10:45 Bill McDonald

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD August 6, 2023

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, August 7

7:00 PM - Local Outreach

Tuesday, August 8

2:00 PM - Property Team - Bradford Room

Wednesday, August 9

1:00 PM - Bible Study - MC4

2:00 PM - Safety & Security Committee -

Finance Room/Admin Wing

Thursday, August 10

11:30 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

6:00 PM - Finance Team - Bradford Room

Saturday, August 12

8:00 AM - Men's Breakfast - Bradford Room

Sunday, August 13

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

9:30 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

12:00 PM - Youth Parent Info Meeting - Chalice Hall

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson, Senior Minister Steph Wallace, Student Associate Minister Missy Wallace, Children's Minister Rev. Kelly Hale, Interim Minister of Pastoral Care Erin Laswell, Office Administrator Jim Cristi, Facilities Manager Frank Spragens, Music Director Cindy Abernathy, Pianist Jane Johnson, Organist Amber Combs, Childcare Director Tara Monzon, PDO Director





Acting Out Sermon Series
Why We Worship
Psalm 95:1-7

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

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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.

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