September 10, 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

8:30 Let All Things Now Living arr. Pepper Choplin 10:45 Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now arr. Paul Manz We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Welcome to God's house!

People: We have come home to be with our Creator.

Leader: Wonderful are God's works in this world. **People: We marvel at God's majesty and power.**Leader: The God of the universe loves each of us.

People: We are blessed to call God our Parent. Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord our God.

People: It is good to be home again!

*HYMN 65 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (v.1 and 4)

EIN' FESTE BURG

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45)

Annalise Bacon

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Psalm 103:1-5,19-22

In the pew Bibles, on page 554 of the First Testament

CHILDREN'S TIME (10:45)

INSTALLATION OF DWM OFFICERS (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 The Goodness of Jesus Katherine Steckler, soprano

10:45 Laudate Dominum W.A. Mozart

Grace Ashley, soprano

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE John 10:7-10

In the pew Bibles, on page 102 of the Second Testament

PLASTIC JESUS SERMON SERIES

Spiritual Suburbia

HYMN 86 Great Is Thy Faithfulness FAITHFULNESS

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

SERMON

8:30 Let All Things Now Living arr. Mark Hayes 10:45 Andante cantabile Alexandre Guilmant

*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.

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

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FROM SCRIPTURE

SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP

8:30
I Will Arise
arr. C.E. Walz
10:45
Kum Ba Yah
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 530 I've Got Peace Like a River

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You John Rutter

PEACE LIKE A RIVER

POSTLUDE

8:30 I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord arr. Ralph Long 10:45 Voluntary in F Phil Lehenbauer

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REBUILDING MISSION TRIP

September 17 - September 22, 2023 Rebuilding Mission Trip

We are planning a rebuilding mission trip to Western Kentucky after the devastating 2021 tornadoes! The dates of the trip are September 17-22. We will be staying at the First Christian Church (DOC) in Madisonville and working in Dawson Springs and Bremen rebuilding homes. No skills are necessary! The cost of the trip will be \$125. If you are interested in going on this much needed construction rebuilding mission please contact Steve Seithers at sseithers@gmail.com.

GILLETT TO PREACH AT CRESTWOOD

We are pleased to welcome Jeremy Gillett as our guest preacher on Sept. 24. Jeremy is a Commissioned Minister in the Christian Church in Kentucky. He completed the Certificate in African American Ministry at

Lexington Theological Seminary in 2022 and has enrolled at LTS to continue his theological education.

He is a graduate of BCTC, the University of Kentucky, and Arizona State University, where he earned a Master of Fine Arts in Theatre and Film Performance. Following graduate school he served for 6 years as the Director of Youth Ministries at First Christian Church North Hollywood in Los Angeles, CA.

Jeremy is an Assistant Professor of Acting at the University of Kentucky. He is a person of deep faith and commitment to the church. He and his fiancée, Caren Garrad, have a family that includes 2 daughters (Jayda and Maya) and a son



(Taeshawn). He is the son of Rev. Dr. Don Gillett and Dr. Charise Gillett.

BLESSING OF THE PETS FOOD AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL



To celebrate the God of ALL creation, we'll be hosting a Blessing of the Pets today, from 3:00-4:00 PM in Lafferty Gardens. You are welcome to bring your pet or a picture of your pet. That will be followed at 4:00 PM by an ice cream social. All are welcome!

DWM INSTALLATIONS

Please join us in recognizing and praying for our DWM servant leaders when they are installed to office during the 10:45 AM service today:

President: Janet Clark
Secretary & Membership: Sara Gretz
Treasurer & Study: Monte LaFrana

Service: Tracy Lovan

Publicity & Yearbook: Cyndi Wiseman

Circle Leaders:

Dorcas: Gayle Hutcherson

Julia: Fran Allen

Naomi: Elaine Lollis (Sept - Nov) and Patsy Anderson (Dec - May)

Church Women United: Pat Waggener

Thank you for your commitment to our church women in the coming year.

*Please stand as you are able.

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Pam Bolton, Joe Clark, Jo Fulkerson, Peggy Harris, Jeanna Ott, Anne Rush

<u>FAMILY</u>: David Hilen (nephew of Minva Hodgins), Tom McVey (cousin of Martha Seithers), Rebecca Prather (mother of David Powell), Mack Ramsey (Grandson of Mitzi Ramsey), Emily Barr Richards (of the McDonalds)

<u>FRIENDS</u>: The Cristi Family (of Crestwood), Chuck Jollay (of David Wiseman), Erin Laswell and Casey Rusher (of Crestwood), Howard Morgan (of Kimberly Sparks), David Staten (of the Seithers and Tolls)

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)

<u>HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS</u>: Jean Aspley, Karen Billings, Lucy Booker, Margaret Buchanan, Joe Clark, 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

Plastic Jesus Sermon Series Silence: Can You Hear Me Now? Mark 1:35-39 Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

Today's Worship Leaders

Elder 8:30 Lucy Wells 10:45 Andrea Nielsen

<u>Liturgist</u> 8:30 Kelly Hale 10:45 Michael Murray

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD September 10, 2023

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, September 12

2:00 PM - Property Team - Bradford Room

Wednesday, September 13

1:00 PM - Bible Study - MC4

2.00 PM - Safety & Security Committee - Bradford Room

Thursday, September 14

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

6:00 PM - Finance Team - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Saturday, September 16

3:00 PM - UK Football Car Park

Sunday, September 17

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

12:00 PM - Elders Meeting - Chalice Hall

4:00 PM - Crestwood University - Bradford Room

4:00 PM - Chi Rho Youth Group

5:00 PM - CYF Youth Group

CRESTWOOD UNIVERSITY - THE B-I-B-L-E

"I know the Bible is something we should understand a lot better but...it's so big! And there are all those 'begats' and weird stories about people being swallowed by whales. I don't know where to start!" If you've ever felt this way, our fall Crestwood University is for you. Kory will be leading us through a class about what's in the Bible, how to read it for understanding, and whether or not the Bible is "true" and relevant for today. The class will start on Sunday, Sept. 17, and meet at 4 p.m. in the Bradford Room. RSVPs are not necessary but are helpful! You can let Kory know if you plan to attend.

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





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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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