

September 17, 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 More About Jesus arr. Jeff Bennett
10:45 Now the Silence arr. Walter Pelz
We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Ps. 139)

Leader: O Lord, you have searched me and you know me.

People: Before a word is on my tongue, you know it completely.

Leader: You have laid your hand upon me.

People: There is nowhere I go that you are not with me.

Leader: You created my innermost being.

People: I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Leader: Search me, O God, and know my heart.

All: And lead me in the way everlasting.

*HYMN 111 Santo, Santo, Santo (sing twice) SANTO

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45) Caroline Bacon

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Psalm 46
In the pew Bibles, on page 517 of the First Testament

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

Do No I Love Thee? arr. Dwight Gustafson
Words Philip Doddridge, melody from the "Sacred Harp"

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Mark 1:35-39
In the pew Bibles, on page 35 of the Second Testament

SERMON PLASTIC JESUS SERMON SERIES
Silence: Can You Hear Me Now?
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN 575 Come and Find the Quiet Center BEACH SPRING

**Please stand as you are able.*

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

8:30 In the Garden arr. Jay Rouse
10:45 Be Still, My Soul, For God is Near arr. David Johnson

*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

8:30 My Shepherd Will Supply My Need arr. C.E. Walz
10:45 Song of Peace Jean Langlais
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 586 Open My Eyes, That I May See OPEN MY EYES

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

POSTLUDE

8:30 No, Not One arr. Robert Thygerson
10:45 Processional in G John Dixon

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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.

CROP HUNGER WALK

The Youth Group is collecting for the CROP Hunger Walk! Did you know that it only takes \$21 to give provide chickens to a family in Tanzania? Similar amounts are used to provide bee hives to families in Kenya. Church World Services and CROP Hunger Walk need your help - 25% of all donations stay here at home and are used by our own God's Pantry to help families facing food insecurity in Lexington. Please consider donating to help us reach our goal of \$1,000 this year! You can donate by scanning the QR codes posted at both entrances to the church, or by going to the website below:

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/crestwood-christian-church>

The CROP Hunger Walk will take place on Sunday October 15 at 3:30 PM. Come walk with our youth that afternoon!

STEP BY STEP



Tanya Torp from Step by Step will be with us on September 24 to talk about this organization that assists single moms ages 12-24. She will speak briefly in both services but speak more in-depth during the Sunday School hour in Chalice Hall. Please join us to see how Crestwood supports this program and how you can be involved.

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.

Joys and Concerns

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

FAMILY: **The Family of Brad Guilfoil** (brother of Duane Guilfoil), **David Hilen** (nephew of Minva Hodgins), **Tom McVey** (cousin of Martha Seithers), **Mack Ramsey** (Grandson of Mitzi Ramsey), **Emily Barr Richards** (of the McDonalds)

FRIENDS: **The Cristi Family** (of Crestwood), **The Family of Paul Dunton** (of Joan Stafford), **Johnny Durham** (of Summer Perry), **Chuck Jollay** (of David Wiseman), **Erin Laswell and Casey Rusher** (of Crestwood), **The Lowe Family** (of Crestwood), **Howard Morgan** (of Kimberly Sparks), **Donna Price** (of Gayle & Doug Hutcherson), **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)

HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS: 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

Guest Preacher
Jeremy Gillett
Hebrews 11:1-3

Today's Worship Leaders

Elder

8:30 Roberta Buckley
10:45 Amy Wheeler

Liturgist

8:30 Roberta Buckley
10:45 Doug Michael

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD September 17, 2023

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, September 18

6:45 PM - DWM Julia Circle - Bradford Room/Kitchen

Tuesday, September 19

9:45 AM - DWM Naomi Circle - Bradford Room

Wednesday, September 20

10:00 AM - Dorcas Circle - Chalice Hall
1:00 PM - Bible Study - Bradford Room
7:00 PM - Administrative Board

Thursday, September 21

NO 11:00 AM Bible Study this week
7:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

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



Plastic Jesus Sermon Series Silence: Can You Hear Me Now?

Mark 1:35-39

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.*

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
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