

September 24, 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 Revive Us Again arr. Pepper Choplin
10:45 The God of Abraham Praise arr. Gerald Near
We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Our souls cry out to you, O Lord.

People: We long to hear you speak to us.

Leader: Our hearts are filled with questions.

People: Our minds struggle with doubt.

Leader: We turn to you, Lord, for assurance.

People: Draw near to us and give us peace.

Leader: For you are our God...

People: ...and we are your people.

*HYMN 286 This is the Day (sing twice) THE LORD'S DAY

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45) Katelin Moore

READING FROM SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 9:6-11
In the pew Bibles, on page 183 of the Second 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

I Will Arise arr. Alice Parker

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Hebrews 11:1-3
In the pew Bibles, on page 225 of the Second Testament

SERMON The Power of Faith Jeremy Gillett

HYMN 536 When We Are Living SOMOS DEL SENOR

**Please stand as you are able.*

Responding to God's Word

MOMENT FOR MISSION Tanya Torp, Step by Step Lexington

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY
8:30 What a Friend We Have in Jesus arr. Bill Wolaver
10:45 Interlude Noel Rawsthorne

*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 What Wonderous Love Is This arr. C.E. Walz
10:45 Modal Elevation Dom Paul Benoit
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 606 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending NETTLETON

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE
The Lord Bless You and Keep You Peter Lutkin

POSTLUDE
8:30 For All the Saints arr. Cindy Berry
10:45 They'll Know We Are Christians arr. Wilbur Held

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GILLETT TO PREACH AT CRESTWOOD

We are pleased to welcome Jeremy Gillett as our guest preacher today. 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 Garrard, have a family that includes 2 daughters (Jayda and Amaya) and a son (Taeshawn). He is the son of Rev. Dr. Don Gillett and Dr. Charise Gillett.

STEP BY STEP



Tanya Torp from Step by Step will be with us today 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.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

Today we are kicking off our annual fall Stewardship Campaign. Please pick up your Pledge Packet in the Narthex today (those not picked up will be mailed this week). Commitment Sunday is Oct. 8. You can mail your pledge card or email your pledge to:

financialsecretary@crestwoodchristian.org.

Thank you for your commitment to Crestwood!

DWM FALL GATHERING

Mark your calendars! - ALL women of Crestwood are invited to attend our fall gathering on October 1 after the 10:45 AM worship service.

Join us in Chalice Hall for a presentation by Amy Treneff on her recent trip to Kenya! Snack foods and drinks will be provided by Disciples of Women's Ministries!

PROPERTY WORK DAY

Property Committee is planning two mornings to clear weeds, prune trees and cut-back shrubs. We need help from everyone that is willing and able. If you have loppers, hedge trimmers, pruning saws, etc. please bring your yard-tools. Dates planned are October 7 & 21. Work will start at 10:00 AM and finish at noon. Come at 9:30 AM for planning work and socializing. Coffee, doughnuts and/or juice will be provided. Please Email John Gretz at gretzjohn9@gmail.com. Let us know if you would like doughnuts and coffee.

We are also looking for donations of yard waste bags, please drop them off at the church office.

Joys and Concerns

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

FAMILY: **The Family of Brad Guilfoil** (brother of Duane Guilfoil), **David Hilen** (nephew of Minva Hodgins), **David Kirtley** (brother of Marian Keesy), **Emily Barr Richards** (of the McDonalds)

FRIENDS: **The Cristi Family** (of Crestwood), **The Combs Family** (of Ellen Williams), **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), **Donna Price** (of Gayle & Doug Hutcherson),

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, Buzz Mattingly, 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.

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD September 24, 2023

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, September 27

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

Thursday, September 28

11:00 AM Bible Study - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Sunday, October 1

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

12:00 PM - DWM Meeting - Chalice Hall

4:00 PM - Crestwood University - Bradford Room

No Youth Groups - Fall Break



NOW FAITH IS CONFIDENCE
IN WHAT WE HOPE FOR
AND ASSURANCE ABOUT
WHAT WE DO NOT SEE.

HEBREWS 11:1

The Power of Faith

Hebrews 11:1-3

Jeremy Gillett

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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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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
Self: Check Me Out!
Ephesians 4:17-24
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

Today's Worship Leaders

Elder

8:30 Libby Wachtel

10:45 Pat Nielsen

Liturgist

10:45 Bill McDonald

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