

November 26, 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 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come arr. Robert Thygerson
10:45 Highland Cathedral arr. Charles Callahan

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

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come to worship Jesus Christ, Alpha and Omega, the one who is, who was, and is to come.

People: We come to worship the one who rules justly.

Leader: Come to worship Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, the ruler of the kings of the earth!

People: Bread of Heaven, God with us!

Leader: Good Shepherd, True Vine!

People: Eternal Word, Great I AM .

Leader: Wonderful Counselor, Prince of Peace!

All: We come to worship Jesus Christ, King of kings and Lord of lords! To him be glory and dominion forever and ever! Amen.

*HYMN 718 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come
ST GEORGE'S WINDSOR

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45) Clara Wallace

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Psalm 100
In the pew Bibles, on page 552 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 Bright Canaan
arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Colossians 1:12-20
In the pew Bibles, on page 200 of the Second Testament

SERMON Christ the King Rev. Kelly Hale

HYMN 91 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! CORONATION

**Please stand as you are able.*

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY
8:30 For the Beauty of the Earth arr. Brian Howell
10:45 Chorale on Crown Him with Many Crowns Charles Callahan

*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. **OR** 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 Jesus, Lover of My Soul arr. Vicki Courtney
10:45 The Eternal Gifts of Christ the King 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 25 Praise to the Lord, The Almighty LOBE DEN HERREN

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE Amen

POSTLUDE
8:30 Old Hundredth arr. Lloyd Larson
10:45 Chaconne Louis Couperin

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ALL ARE INVITED TO OUR ADVENT WORKSHOP

Please join us on Saturday, Dec. 2, at 9:30 AM for the Advent workshop. Families are invited to enjoy a youth fundraiser pancake breakfast and hot chocolate bar, and create an Advent-themed craft. Special thanks to our Men's Group for providing breakfast. Kids are encouraged to come in their pajamas. We hope to see you there!

ANGEL TREES

There are 13 angels left! The trees are available in the children's wing and chapel hallways. Color-coded tags with a child's age, clothing size, and gift request can be signed out on the clipboard next to the trees. Families with multiple children will be tied together with ribbon and must be signed out as a single unit. Bags will be available for gift return and all angel tree items need to be delivered to church no later than **Sunday, December 3**. There are only a few Angels left, so if you haven't been able to make it to church to get your Angel, please reach out to Missy Wallace. Thank you for sharing the love of Jesus and providing a Merry Christmas for the children in our community. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the church office.



THE NEST FOOD BOXES ARE COMING

Every autumn, our Youth Ministry collects money to supply food boxes for The Nest - and this year we have a goal of filling 400 boxes! The cost is about \$8000 = \$20 per box.

How can you help? By donating money to purchase food for the boxes. You can give \$20 to cover the cost of one box, or donate however much you can to help us meet this goal and show our compassion this holiday season for our brothers and sisters in need. Please label your donation "Food Boxes" so we know your gift is meant to be used towards our food box goal. Thank you so much for helping make this wish a reality - 400 families right here in Lexington will be blessed through this project with a box full of food to feed their families at Christmas!

If you have questions or want to get involved and help the youth with this awesome service project, please contact Steph Wallace.

DWM SERVICE PROJECT FOR NOVEMBER: Silver Bells

The Nursing Home Ombudsman Agency in Lexington needs gifts for nursing home residents. All gifts must be left in Giving Lane under the DWM sign by Nov 30 to be delivered, or you can deliver them directly to the agency by Nov 30.

Suggestions: Blankets, Snacks, Candy, Pens, Stationary, Stamps, Body wash, Lotion, Shampoo, Socks

Gifts should be delivered to:
Nursing Home Ombudsman Agency
3138 Custer Drive, Suite 110, Lexington 40517
(859) 277-9215

FALL CLEANING DAY!

December 9, 9:30 AM - Noon
Coffee and doughnuts will be provided at 9:30 AM in the Bradford Room. The property department is planning a fall cleaning on December 9 at 10:00 AM. A basement room in the Childcare building is the equivalent of the Church's attic. Items were stored that had the potential for reuse, but were not reused and have accumulated. We need a fall church cleaning. Help is needed to decide what to keep and to remove items not needed. If you are willing and able, we need you. Start time for cleaning is 10:00 AM. Goal is to finish by noon.

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: The Family of Lucy Booker, Joe Clark, Jo Fulkerson, Peggy Harris, The Family of Jeanna Ott

FAMILY: **Samuel Hammons** (great nephew of Kim and David Powell), **The Family of Betty G. Rehm** (stepmother of Libby Wachtel), **Emily Barr Richards** (of the McDonalds), **Jim Wallace** (father of Scott Wallace)

FRIENDS: **Melody Fiely** (of Karen Trommer), **Ricky Gray** (of Susan and Kendall Hart), **Jacob Moore** (of Crestwood), **The Family of Ted Warriner** (of the McDonalds)

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: Karen Billings, Margaret Buchanan, Joe Clark, Dick Featherston, Sylvia Griffin, Jacqueline Lindsey, Buzz Mattingly, Betty Shanklin, John Sims, John & Carolyn Thomas, Buddy & Lucy Wheeler

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

A Weary World Rejoices
Sermon Series
Christmas on Mute
Luke 1:5-23
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

Today's Worship Leaders

Elder
8:30 Patti Bridges
10:45 Lucy Wells

Liturgist
8:30 Patti Bridges
10:45 Rick Jouett

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD November 26, 2023

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, November 29

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

Thursday, November 16

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room
7:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Saturday, December 2

9:30 AM - Advent Workshop and pancake breakfast - Gym
9:30 AM - Decorating the Sanctuary

Sunday, December 3 -

8:30 AM - Worship Service
9:30 AM - Sunday School
10:00 AM - Choir Practice
10:45 AM - Worship Service
4:00 PM - Combined Youth Group - Nest Food Box Filling!
5:30 PM - Youth Group Pizza Dinner - 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 Rusher, Office Administrator

Jim Cristi, Facilities Manager
Frank Spragens, Music Director
Cindy Abernathy, Pianist
Jane Johnson, Organist
Amber Combs, Childcare Director
Tara Monzon, PDO Director



Christ the King
Ephesians 6:10-18
Rev. Kelly Hale

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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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