

APRIL 21, 2024

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

In Christ Alone arr. Tom Fettke

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

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is great, and greatly to be praised!

People: We call on God, who is as near as our next breath.

Leader: We gather here to meet God again.

People: We come to God's house seeking sanctuary.

Leader: Bring your fears and your worries to God's altar.

People: We lay our burdens at God's feet.

Leader: Remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

People: We give praise to the God who gives us life!

*HYMN 233 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus HYFRYDOL

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

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Romans 15:1-6
In the pew Bibles, on page 163 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 (10:45 AM) In Water We Grow
Doug Hutcherson, baritone

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE John 17:6-11
In the pew Bibles, on page 111 of the Second Testament

SERMON We Are the Disciples Sermon Series
Unity Is Our Polar Star Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN 495 Weave WEAVE
(sing twice)

**Please stand as you are able.*

Responding to God's Word

MOMENT FOR MISSION Habitat for Humanity LaVece Hughes

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY How Beautiful arr. Lloyd Larson

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, 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
What Wondrous Love Is This? arr. C.E. Walz
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 494 They'll Know We Are Christians ST. BRENDAN'S

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Wade in the Water arr. Mark Hayes

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LIVING WELL CLASS - AVOIDING SCAMS

The Stephen Ministers will be presenting a Living Well class on how to identify and avoid scams, which have become so pervasive. The class will meet on Sunday, April 28, at 4:00 PM in the Bradford Room. All are welcome!

SRO TRIP - FRIDAY, APRIL 26!

SRO (seniors, retirees, and others) will be taking two tours on this trip - the first one at Ashland, the Henry Clay estate, from 10:00 - 11:00 AM. After that we will go to lunch at Hamburg (either Johnny Carino's or Rafferty's) and then take a tour of WTVQ Channel 36 from 1:00 - 2:00 PM. The church van will leave from Crestwood at approximately 9:40 AM that day, and we should return around 2:30 PM. The total cost will be \$20 per person plus lunch. Email Steph@crestwoodchristian.org if you have any questions or would like to join us for this informative and enjoyable outing!

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY HOUSE FUNDRAISING

We need your help in fundraising for our Disciples for Habitat house. This year's build, starting in April, will be the 39th sponsored Habitat for Humanity house by Crestwood Christian Church in the Lexington area. This year's house is being built at 721 Florence Ave. It will be a three bedroom, two bathroom house. Crestwood's fundraising goal is \$20,667. Please make your check out to Crestwood Christian Church with "Habitat" on the memo line or place cash in the pew envelope annotated "Habitat" and your name on the outside. Help us continue this wonderful effort!

If you would like to volunteer to help build the house, please contact Jordan Amis at jordana@lexhabitat.org.

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Frank Dickey, Terry Fisher, Kelly Hainsworth-Cardwell and family, Pat Nielsen

FAMILY: James Brown (brother of Bill Brown), Cindy Ebersold (sister of Susie Psimer), Kim Gilbert (mother of Heather Pergram), the family of Judy Schroedl (aunt of Jay Trommer), Jean Thornton (sister of Janet Clark)

FRIENDS: Tyler Coultas (of Carol Royse), Susan Denny (of Crestwood), Dan Freeman (of Susan & Kendall Hart), the family of Carol Rush King (of Joan Stafford), Kathi Riegler (of Frank Spragens), Matt Spoonamore (of Michelle DeLacey), R.J. Welch (of Crestwood)

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Joe Clark, Jo Fulkerson, Laurie Hart (granddaughter of Susan and Kendall Hart), Henrietta Shores (granddaughter of Mary Beth Shores), Jim Wallace (father of Scott Wallace)

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 & Carol Royse & son of Tracy Day), Bud DeLacey (nephew of Matt & Michelle DeLacey), Zoe McIntyre (granddaughter of John Sims)

HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS: Carlene Adams, Karen Billings, Janice Boyd, John Browning, Joe Clark, Dick Featherston, Sylvia Griffin, Buzz Mattingly, John Sims, John & Carolyn Thomas, Lucy Wheeler

OUR WORLD COMMUNITY: We pray for the victims and loved ones impacted by violence, inmates of the Fayette County Detention Center and their families, an end to the war in Ukraine, Israel, and Gaza, the peace of God to rule in the hearts of our local and national leaders, those affected by COVID and natural disasters, and 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
We Are the Disciples Series
Christians Only, But Not the Only Christians
Mark 9:38-41
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

Today's Worship Leaders

Elder
8:30 Natalee Feese
10:45 Bob Shanklin

Liturgist
8:30 Missy Wallace
10:45 Jeanette Knowles

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD
April 21, 2024

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sunday, April 21**
8:30 AM - Worship Service
9:30 AM - Sunday School
10:00 AM - Choir Practice
10:45 AM - Worship Service
12:00 PM - Elders Lunch - Chalice Hall
4:00 PM - Combined Youth Group
- Monday, April 22**
6:30 PM - Book Club - Chi Rho Youth Room
- Wednesday, April 24**
1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library
- Thursday, April 25**
11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room
7:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
- Friday, April 26**
9:30 AM - SRO trip to Ashland and WTVQ
- Sunday, April 28**
8:30 AM - Worship Service
9:30 AM - Sunday School
9:40 AM - Wake Up with Wallace - Panera Bread
10:00 AM - Choir Practice
10:45 AM - Worship Service
4:00 PM - Living Well Presentation - Bradford Room
4:00 PM - Combined Youth Group

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
Mary Van Kesteren, Office Administrator

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



We Are the Disciples Series

Unity Is Our Polar Star

John 17:6-11

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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