May 5, 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

8:30 AM We Are Travelers on a Journey arr. Mark Haves 10:45 AM The Strife Is O'er arr. Wilbur Held We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Look around you at the wonders of creation.

People: The earth is full of God's glory.

Leader: Look around you at the blessing of this community.

People: We each bear the image of God within us. Leader: God has given each of us the gift of life. People: We are stewards of this precious blessing.

Leader: We come into this place to be the body of Christ. People: May God make us one as we worship God today.

*HYMN 117 He Is Lord (sing twice) He Is Lord

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45)

Maddie Thompson

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Psalm 42:1-8

In the pew Bibles, on page 515 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

8:30 AM By Our Love

Christy Nockels Katherine Steckler, Soprano

10:45 AM The King of Love K. Lee Scott

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Romans 14:1-9

In the pew Bibles, on page 163 of the Second Testament

SERMON We Are the Disciples Sermon Series

In Essentials, Unity... Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN 487 Help Us Accept Each Other **ACCEPTANCE**

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

8:30 AM The King of Love My Shepherd Is arr. Lloyd Larson 10:45 AM Flor Peeters Meditation

*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 AM Poor Wayfaring arr. C.E. Walz 10:45 AM Alleluia 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 485

Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race TALLIS' CANON

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE (10:45) God Be with You Till We Meet Again

POSTLUDE

8:30 AM Rejoice and Sing arr. Eugene Butler 10:45 AM The Strife Is O'er arr. Gordon Young

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Growing the fruits of the spirit

Vacation Bible School • Monday June 24 - Thursday June 27 6:00 PM - 8:15 PM, free dinner at 5:00 PM

> Sign up to **VOLUNTEER** at www.crestwoodchristian.org/VBS Or by scanning the QR code above

VBS DONATIONS NEEDED!

- → Your time (VOLUNTEER and join the fun).
- → Plastic fruit (especially grapes and apples)
- → Wooden crates (returned to you at the end)
- + Faux potted trees for our orchard (returned to you at the end) Note: We will be building an orchard, vineyard, and fruit market stand. If you are able to help, please email missy@crestwoodchristian.org.

PLUG IN! SHARE YOUR TIME AND TALENTS AT CRESTWOOD

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. -- Ephesians 2:10

In Ephesians 2, we learn that God calls us God's workmanship, God's artwork. We are created by God with skills and purpose, through which we glorify God. Our spiritual gifts and talents give us a way to serve God and God's kingdom on Earth. Please consider how can you share your talents and gifts to serve through Crestwood. It's time to 'Plug In!"

Whatever our interests and skills, Crestwood offers so many ways to connect to God and each other through service and ministry. What opportunities speak to your heart? Whether you've served on a ministry team for years or are looking for a new way to connect, we are excited to see how you can plug in to find a way to transform your gifts into service at Crestwood.

Spring is a time of renewal and growth. It's also when we conduct our annual Time and Talents Campaign. On May 5 and 12 you'll have an opportunity to complete a survey. You can complete the guick survey online by

scanning this QR code or by <u>clicking here</u>. If you need a paper copy of the form, let the office know. You can indicate that you'd like to continue serving where you are, you would like to specify your interests and talents that can contribute in a new way, or we can reach out to you to help find a way for you to connect. In addition, there will be a table in the Narthex during our Time and Talents campaign. Please stop by so we can help you find a way to get connected.



*Please stand as you are able.

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Frank Dickey, Terry Fisher, Pat Nielsen

<u>FAMILY</u>: James Brown (brother of Bill Brown), Jordan & Virginia Sue Hemphill (brother & sister-in-law of Monte LaFrana), the family of Judy Schroedl (aunt of Jay Trommer), Jean Thornton (sister of Janet Clark)

<u>FRIENDS</u>: Rhonda Buttleman (of Tracy Lovan), Susan Denny (of Crestwood), Dan Freeman (of Susan & Kendall Hart), Gary Gillis (of Fran Allen), the family of Carol Rush King (of Joan Stafford), Kathi Riegle (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 Gardner), Tristan Bowman (nephew of Debbie 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)

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

<u>OUR WORLD COMMUNITY</u>: 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

A Movement for Wholeness in a Fragmented World

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

Today's Worship Leaders

Elder 8:30 Katherine Steckler 10:45 Jay Prather

<u>Liturgist</u> 8:30 Kelly Hale 10:45 Dabney Parker

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD May 5, 2024

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, May 5

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

12:00 PM - Personnel Team - Bradford Room

12:00 PM - DWM Board - MC5

4:00 PM - Youth Sunday Rehearsal - ALL YOUTH

Monday, May 6

7:00 PM - Local Outreach - MC3

Tuesday, May 7

9:00 AM - Library Team - Library

Wednesday, May 8

1:00 PM - Bible Study - MC3

2:00 PM - Safety & Security Committee - Bradford Room

Thursday, May 9

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

6:00 PM - Finance Team - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Saturday, May 11

8:00 AM - Men's Breakfast - Bradford Room

Sunday, May 12

MOTHER'S DAY

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

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

In Essentials, Unity...

Romans 14:1-9

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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