

February 16, 2025

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

Let All Things Now Living arr. Faye Lopez  
*We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.*

Connecting with God

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Isn't God amazing?

**People: We are in awe of God's goodness.**

Leader: God created the heavens and the earth.

**People: God created each one of us.**

Leader: Remember that through baptism God claims you.

**People: God loves us as a parent loves a child.**

Leader: God calls us to bear fruit in our lives.

**People: We live to love and serve God.**

\*HYMN 277 Christians, We Have Met to Worship HOLY MANNA

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45) Julie Peace

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Psalms 33:1-9  
*In the pew Bibles, on page 507 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

(10:45) Same Train arr. Alice Parker & Robert Shaw

Proclaiming God's Word

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Luke 18:18-27  
*In the pew Bibles, on page 81-82 of the Second Testament*

SERMON

Modern-day Proverbs sermon series  
You Can Lead a Horse to Water...  
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN 354 Seek Ye First SEEK YE FIRST

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY How Beautiful arr. Lloyd Larson

\*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

Meditation Scott Oyer  
*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 489 Bless Now, O God, the Journey BRED DINA VIDA VINGAR

\*BENEDICTION

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

POSTLUDE Hallelujah, We Shall Rise As the Saints Go Marching In  
arr. Pepper Chopin

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**HELP US DREAM ABOUT CRESTWOOD'S FUTURE!**

The Faithful Planning Team is excited to invite you to give us your feedback on the direction of Crestwood by filling out the survey found in the link below. It's only about 10 questions, but what you have to share with us will be essential to helping the team discern where God is calling us to go. Please take just a few moments to fill out the survey. If you'd like a paper copy, contact the church office.

Use the QR code here  
or the link in the Weekly or Crest.



In addition, there will be three opportunities to share feedback in person in Chalice Hall:

TODAY, after the 8:30 AM service  
Sunday, February 23, after the 10:45 AM service

Let your voice be heard in one of these ways as we look to the future of our church family!

**LOVE IN ACTION SPEAKER SERIES**

The Shalom Social Justice Team is excited to announce the start of a new speaker series called "Love in Action." This periodic event will feature community experts who will be speaking on a variety of issues that affect our Lexington community. Our goal is to be good listeners so that we can learn how Crestwood can be part of the solution to these challenges.



Our first event will be on Sunday, February 23, at 4:00 PM in Chalice Hall. We'll welcome Jeff Herron, the manager of the LFUCG Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention. Jeff will talk with us about the issue of homelessness in Lexington and how we can be part of the solution. We'll follow up Jeff's presentation with a sandwich-making service project for the HopeMobile. Please bring your big ears, your compassionate hearts, and your sandwich-making supplies as we learn how we can help "the least of these" in our community. Use the QR code to sign up to bring ingredients for sandwiches:



**Joys and Concerns**

**MEMBERS:** the family of Ellen Frost, the family of Bess Gott, Julie McDonald, Paige Rea, Steve Seithers

**FAMILY:** the family of Jan Battles (mother-in-law of Susan Shanklin Battles), Carolyn Colliver (sister-in-law of Carolyn Clark), Mary Herald (sister of Kimberly Sparks), Lisa Jern (cousin of Libby Wachtel), Liz McGrath (sister of Susie Psimer), Paul Morrison (father of Andrea Back), Allie Wachtel (brother-in-law of Libby Wachtel)

**FRIENDS:** Hazel McKenzie (of Tracy Lovan), the family of Donald Rebel (of Sandra Thompson)

**LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST:** Tyler Coultas (son of Karen Coultas), the Cristi family (of Crestwood), Frank Dickey, David Farmer (friend of Kimberly Sparks), Jo Fulkerson, Laurie Hart (granddaughter of Susan & Kendall Hart), Jordan & Ginny Sue Hemphill (brother & sister-in-law of Monte LaFrana), John Royse, Henrietta Shores (granddaughter of Mary Beth Shores), Nathaniel Sligh (nephew of Kimberly Sparks), Donnie Wakefield, Jim Wallace (father of Scott Wallace), Carter Yates (nephew of Stephanie & Josh Moore)

**ARMED FORCES:** Alex Back (son of Andrea Back), Anar Aliyev (of Crestwood), Karlis Bowman (nephew of Debbie Gardner), Tristan Bowman (nephew of Debbie Gardner), Daniel Day (grandson of John & Carol Royse & son of Tracy Day), Bud DeLacey (nephew of Matt & Michelle DeLacey), Matt Holman (son of Gaye Holman), Zoe McIntyre (granddaughter of John Sims), Ashlyn Marra-Sigler & Daniel Sigler (daughter-in-law & son of Pam & David Sigler)

**HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS:** Carlene Adams, Karen Billings, Janice Boyd, Dick Featherston, Bonnie Flanery, 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 wars across the globe, the peace of God to rule in the hearts of our local and national leaders, those affected by natural disasters, and for God's spirit of reconciliation to bring healing during these difficult times.

<p><b>Our Vision</b> Connecting People to God and Each Other</p> <p><b>Our Mission</b> 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.</p>	<p><u>Next Sunday</u> Modern-day Proverbs sermon series “Don’t Judge a Book by Its Cover” Steph Wallace</p>
	<p><u>Today’s Worship Leaders</u></p> <p><u>Elder</u> 8:30 Sonny Wray 10:45 Amy Wheeler</p> <p><u>Liturgist</u> 8:30 Richard Fern</p>

**WHAT’S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD**  
February 16, 2025

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Sunday, February 16**  
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
- Monday, February 17 - OFFICE CLOSED**  
1:30 PM - Youth Field Trip to Countdown Games  
6:45 PM - DWM Julia Circle - Bradford Room
- Tuesday, February 18**  
9:45 AM - DWM Naomi Circle - Bradford Room
- Wednesday, February 19**  
10:00 AM - DWM Dorcas Circle - Bradford Room  
1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library
- Thursday, February 20**  
11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room  
7:00 PM - Choir Practice - Choir Room
- Sunday, February 23**  
8:30 AM - Worship Service  
9:30 AM - Sunday School  
9:40 AM - Wake Up with Wallace - Panera  
10:00 AM - Choir Practice  
10:45 AM - Worship Service  
4:00 PM - Love in Action - Chalice Hall  
4:00 PM - Combined Youth Groups - Chalice Hall

**CHURCH STAFF**

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson, Senior Minister Steph Wallace, Student Associate Minister Missy Wallace, Children’s Minister Rev. Kelly Hale, Minister of Pastoral Care Mary Van Kesteren, Office Administrator	Jim Cristi, Facilities Manager Frank Spragens, Music Director Cindy Abernathy, Pianist Jane Johnson, Organist
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*Modern-day Proverbs*

*Sermon series*

“You Can Lead a Horse to Water, But You Can’t Make Him Drink”

*Luke 18:18-27*

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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