April 20, 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

Salvation Is Created Paul Tschesnokoff We invite you to use this time for quiet prayer and preparation for worship.

## Connecting with God

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The shadows are gone and the light has dawned.

People: The stone is rolled away!

Leader: The darkness of Friday has been replaced by Sunday's joy.

People: The tomb is empty!

Leader: Where is the body? What can this mean?

People: Death has been conquered! Leader: Could it be? Christ is risen! People: Christ is risen, indeed!

\*HYMN 216 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today **EASTER HYMN** 

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45)

Georgia Williams

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Luke 24:1-12

In the pew Bibles, on page 90 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** 

Ride Up in the Chariot Traditional African American arr. Joseph Joubert Audri Hughes and Kayla Wilson Emerson, sopranos

## **Proclaiming God's Word**

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Luke 24:13-35

In the pew Bibles, on page 90 of the Second Testament

**SERMON** Easter...So What?

**HYMN 231** Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us HOLY MANNA

# Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

I Know My Redeemer Liveth, from Messiah **OFFERTORY** 

George Frederick Handel

Grace Ashley, soprano

## \*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; 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

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

arr. 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 222 Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

\*BENEDICTION

**RESPONSE** Hallelujah, from Messiah

George Frederick Handel

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POSTLUDE Christ Is Risen! Hermann Schroeder

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## **BAPTISM SUNDAY NEXT WEEK!**

Everyone is invited to join us next Sunday at 10:45 AM (please note no 8:30 AM service next week) as we baptize 14 of our youth from this year's Pastor's Class (the other three will be baptized May 4).



## 『中央共同 ALL-CHURCH POTLUCK BAPTISM BREAKFAST

Please join us for our all-church potluck baptism breakfast at 9:30 AM on Sunday, April 27. There will no Sunday school or first service that day. Come celebrate our kids as they take the next steps on their spiritual journey. Use the QR code to sign up to bring a potluck dish or to

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Vacation Bible School registration is now open, and we are in the process of recruiting volunteers to serve the children of our community. VBS is a highlight for Crestwood kids and visiting guests. For some it may be their first time entering a church environment. Our goal is to help families feel welcomed as we extend Christ's hospitality and connect kids with the message of God's unconditional love. It takes a village to bring VBS to life and we hope you will prayerfully consider joining us. Please sign up below and reach out with any questions you may have to Missy Wallace at missy@crestwoodchristian.org.



Vacation Bible School Registration Form



#### **FUN + LUNCH = FUNCH!**

FUN + LUNCH is our monthly potluck when we share good food and great conversation and have lots of fun playing BINGO for prizes! Please plan to ioin us on Friday. April 25. at 11:30 AM in Chalice Hall for FUNCH. Bring a dish to share and come enjoy this special time of fellowship. No RSVP is needed.

#### **NEW BOOK STUDY IN MAY**

Steph Wallace will be leading a book study for three consecutive Monday afternoons in May. We are going to A+7 read The Politics of Faith by Jerry L. Sumney, which can be purchased on Amazon using the QR code. We will meet in the Bradford Room from 3:00-4:00 PM on May 5, May 12, and May 19.



For the first meeting on May 5, please read chapters 1-4 of the book (pages 1-42). Bring your Bible with you to the meetings, as well. We will refer to those Scriptures that Sumney references in his book as we discuss and attempt to discern what God wills for God's followers in the realm of government and political policies today.

\*Please stand as you are able.

## **Joys and Concerns**

**MEMBERS**: Jeanne Jouett

<u>FAMILY</u>: Elizabeth Blevins (aunt of Michelle Ison), Iris Brandon (aunt of Jeanne Jouett), Zack Ison (brother of Stewart Ison), Bailey Miles (niece of Kyle & Dana Adamson), Karla Nelson (of Jim & Denise Hile), Lou Padilla (nephew of Monte LaFrana), Charles Saunier (grandson of Annetta Carter)

FRIENDS: Joshua Bush & Annessa Dunaway (of Crestwood), Norma Hylton (of Crestwood), the family of Parker Kuhn (of Connie Guilfoil), Arlen Stoltzfus (of Crestwood)

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, Tony Shartle, Henrietta Shores (granddaughter of Mary Beth Shores), Nathaniel Sligh (nephew of Kimberly Sparks), 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), Connor Hankins (nephew of Lauren York), 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)

<u>HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS</u>: Carlene Adams, Karen Billings, Janice Boyd, Dick Featherston, Bonnie Flanery, Sylvia Griffin, Buzz Mattingly,

## 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

BAPTISM SUNDAY

(no 8:30 AM worship)

#### Today's Worship Leaders

Elder 8:30 Lucy Wells 10:45 Lucy Wells

L<u>iturgist</u> 8:30 Frank Spragens 10:45 Katherine Steckler

# WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD April 20, 2025

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# Sunday, April 20 - EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 AM - Worship Service

10:45 AM - Worship Service-Flowering of the Cross

# Monday, April 21

6:45 PM - DWM Julia Circle - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Endowment Committee - Conference Room

# Tuesday, April 22

10:30 AM - SRO trip to Berea

6:45 PM - DWM Board Meeting - MC2

# Wednesday, April 23

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

# Thursday, April 24

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

# Friday, April 25

11:30 AM - FUNCH potluck - Chalice Hall 6:00 PM - All Youth Friday Night Fellowship

# Sunday, April 27 - BAPTISM SUNDAY NO 8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

9:30 AM - Fellowship Breakfast

10:45 AM - Worship Service

4:00 PM - Combined Youth Group - Youth Sunday Planning & Practice

#### **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





# Easter...So What? Luke 24:13-35

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.

# **CRESTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

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