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

For the Beauty of the Earth Charlie Brandt, clarinet; Katelin Moore, flute

# **Connecting with God**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Peyton Caudill-Gurwell (8:30), Clara Wallace (10:45)

Leader: Thank you, God, for helping us grow. All: We are flowers: You are the sun.

Leader: You surround us with people who nurture us.

All: Families, mentors, friends, community.

Leader: Even when there are storms...

All: You protect and watch over us.

Leader: Because of Your light, All: Our faith never wilts.

\*HYMN 227 In the Garden

GARDEN

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45)

Maddie Thompson

READING FROM SCRIPTURE John 15:1-5

Avery Brancato (8:30), Parker Guckenberger (10:45)

In the pew Bibles, on page 109 of the Second Testament

CHILDREN'S TIME

Annalise Bacon and Rachel Wilkinson

**RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES** 

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

Here I Am, Lord Julie Blackburn, Anna Claire Pickrell, Carter Wallace, Clara Wallace, Rachel Wilkinson

# **Proclaiming God's Word**

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Jacob Moore (8:30), Clara Deerhake (10:45)

In the pew Bibles, on page 616 of the First Testament

SERMON Julie Blackburn

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Philippians 2:6-7

Janie Lakin (8:30), Lauren Deerhake (10:45)

In the pew Bibles, on page 200 of the Second Testament

\*Please stand as you are able.

SERMON Eliana Brancato

HYMN 61 All Things Bright and Beautiful ROYAL OAK

# Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING Ben Bartlett (8:30), Katelin Moore (10:45)

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY How Great Thou Art

Jadon Moore, cello; Rachel Wilkinson, violin

#### \*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.
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

Maelee Thompson (8:30), Catie Clay Jefferson (10:45)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION Clara Wallace (8:30), Mia Thor (10:45)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FROM SCRIPTURE

Katie Rush (8:30), Joey Kingsolver (10:45)

SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP You Say Lauren Daigle
Julie Blackburn and Anna Claire Pickrell

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

Anna Claire Pickrell (8:30), Alice Williams (10:45)

#### Putting Faith into Action

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

If you are interested in joining the church,

please come forward during the closing hymn.

\*HYMN 56 For the Beauty of the Earth Dix

\*BENEDICTION Julie Blackburn and Eliana Brancato

POSTLUDE Morning Has Broken Jacob Moore, trumpet

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#### TIME TO PLUG IN!

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

There are so many ways for us to serve God through Crestwood! We all have gifts given to us to use in building God's kin-dom here on earth. What is your passion? What makes you feel alive? What speaks to your heart? Crestwood is one of the places you can live out your faith.

The Time and Talents Stewardship Campaign begins today and is a way for you to indicate how you would like to serve this coming year. The QR code below takes you to an online version of the survey (paper copies are also available in the back of the sanctuary at the sound board). You can either indicate that you'd like to continue serving where you are, specify interests and talents that you can contribute in a new way, or we can reach out to you to help you find a way to connect and serve.

After we have collected the surveys, we will reach out to you and help you plug in! It is that simple! If you have any questions, please reach out to Susie Psimer (<a href="mailto:susiepsimer@gmail.com">susiepsimer@gmail.com</a>) or any of our ministerial staff. Thank you!

#### HONORING OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Julia Faith Blackburn, Woodford High School; attending Murray State.

**Eliana Brancato**, STEAM Academy; attending the University of Louisville.

Madison Guy, Lexington Christian Academy; attending Centre College.

We also congratulate these graduating family of our members:

**Nathaniel Knowles**, grandson of Jeanette Knowles, Lafayette High school, attending the University of Kentucky.

Charlie Tran, grandson of Monte LaFrana, Arizona State.

**Emily Tran**, granddaughter of Monte LaFrana, Christian Academy of Louisville, attending University of Tampa.

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

VBS will be June 23-26 this summer. Register now!



Volunteer
Signup



#### **Joys and Concerns**

MEMBERS: Brenda Crank, Jeanne Jouett, the family of Preston Nunnelley, Joanne Whiteker

<u>FAMILY</u>: Gene Blythe (cousin of Billie Arnold), Dixie Peden (mother of Heidi Guckenberger), Gaines Womack (cousin of Kendall Hart)

<u>FRIENDS</u>: Stuart Angus (of Travis White), Joyce Fister Daley (of Betty Barton), Don DePriest (of Tony Shartle), Norma Hylton (of Crestwood), the family of Parker Kuhn (of Connie Guilfoil), the family of Brandi Miller (of Crestwood), Robby Nickerson (of Darval Rash), Chase Pemberton (of Crestwood), Donald Reynolds (of Darval Rash)

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: 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), Charles Saunier (grandson of Annetta Carter), Tony Shartle, Henrietta Shores (granddaughter of Mary Beth Shores), Nathaniel Sligh (nephew of Kimberly Sparks), 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), 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, 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 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.

# **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**

Here Comes Heaven!

Rev. 21:1-6

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

# Today's Worship Leaders

<u>Deacons</u>: Will Adamson, Parker Guckenberger, Janie Lakin, Carter Wallace

<u>Ushers</u>: Will Adamson, Joey Kingsolver, Katie Rush

# WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD May 11, 2025

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# Sunday, May 11 - YOUTH SUNDAY

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

## Monday, May 12

3:00 PM - Book Study - Bradford Room

# Tuesday, May 13

2:00 PM - Property Team - Bradford Room

# Wednesday, May 14

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

# Thursday, May 15

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

6:00 PM - Finance Team - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice - Sanctuary

#### Saturday, May 17

9:00 AM - Faithful Planning Meeting - Bradford Room

#### Sunday, May 18

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

Noon - DWM Board Meeting - MC3

Noon - Elders Lunch - Bradford Room

#### **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 Jim Cristi, Facilities Manager Frank Spragens, Music Director Cindy Abernathy, Pianist Jane Johnson, Organist





May 11, 2025 8:30 and 10:45 AM

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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