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Monday, August 25**

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BACK-TO-SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE FOR GLENDOVER ELEMENTARY

Donations can be brought to the children's wing through Aug. 4. Thank you for helping to support the children of our community.

- Backpacks
 - Crayola Markers
 - Crayola Colored Pencils
 - Glue Sticks
 - Crayola Crayons
 - Ticonderoga Pencils
 - Pencil Boxes
 - Fiskars Scissors
 - Wide Rule Notebooks
 - Composition Wide Rule Notebooks
 - Primary Writing Journal
 - Folders with 3 holes and pockets
 - Earbuds/Headphones
 - Clorox Wipes
 - Kleenex
 - Expo Markers
 - Ziplock Bags gallon and quart
- *NO notebook filler paper



BACK-TO-SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Fellowship will be hosting an all church back-to-school potluck breakfast on Sunday, Aug. 10 at 9:30 AM in the gym. Come celebrate as we kick off a new academic and Sunday school year with food and fellowship. There will be information on Crestwood's Sunday school programs, goody bags for the kids, and fun photo opportunities. Regular Sunday school classes will not meet on August



10. After breakfast, Blessing of the Backpacks will take place during the 10:45 AM service. All students and school staff are welcome to bring their backpacks/bags to receive a blessing and special tag to remind them of God's love throughout the year. Potluck breakfast food signups can be found [here](#).

A WORD FROM KORY



I was honored to represent Crestwood at our denomination's General Assembly in Memphis, TN, on July 11-15. Because of the convention center's distance from any restaurants, I definitely did a lot of "walking in Memphis!" But I was also able to enjoy and participate in some outstanding worship services, important business meetings and workshops, and good times with colleagues and friends.

One of the most impactful parts of General Assembly is the gathering's consideration of the resolutions that are brought before us. These are called "Sense of the Assembly" resolutions, which means they are not binding to all Disciples congregations, but instead capture the spirit of those who have gathered to vote. Several of the resolutions this year spoke directly to issues facing our churches, our country, and our world, including:

- The acknowledgement of a "Silver Chalice" designation for congregations focusing on care for older adults
- A resolution affirming disability justice and inclusion in all ministries of the Christian church
- A commitment to a global movement for a world without gender-based violence
- The opposition of Project 2025 and other policies that are inconsistent with our commitment to justice, mercy, and compassion for our neighbors
- Commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Disciples Peace Fellowship intern program
- A call to affirm the sovereignty and self-determination of our Canadian siblings
- Two amendments related to the way business is conducted at the assembly and the overall design of the denominational structure

All these resolutions passed overwhelmingly.

There is also an option of bringing forward emergency resolutions, as long as they meet the required criteria. There were three of these:

- A resolution concerning the moral crisis of federal budget priorities in the 2025 Reconciliation Bill
- A response to the US government's attack on immigrants, migrants, and refugees

- A call to affirm the World Council of Churches' resolution on ending the violence against Palestinians in Gaza.

As you might imagine, several of these generated robust discussion from the floor. In the end, all three of these passed. You can read more about all of these resolutions at <https://ga.disciples.org/resolutions-businessitems/>.

Along with the business sessions, we enjoyed Spirit-filled worship, including sermons from Dr. Bernice King, the daughter of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. To hear her preach just a few miles from where her father was assassinated was incredibly moving. She preached on this passage in Ephesians: "Now to him who by the power at work WITHIN US is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine..." She reminded us, "The miracles (this world needs) are in the muscles of our faith." Her sermon was one of the highlights of the assembly for me.

Another was getting to visit the National Civil Rights Museum, housed at the Lorraine Motel where Dr. King was killed. To stand so close to the spot where he died and read about the struggles of black people from the days of slavery to modern times was humbling, sad, and enraging. We can do better. We have to do better. The miracles this world needs are in the muscles of our faith.

I was also able to co-lead a workshop on thriving churches and even participate in a book signing! I give thanks to all my friends who took pity on me and showed up to get my autograph. Our next General Assembly will be in 2028, location yet to be determined. Thanks, Crestwood, for allowing me to participate in such a meaningful gathering!



Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Terry Fisher, Minva Hodgins, Denise Murray, the family of John Royce

FAMILY: Andrew Barton (grandson of Betty Barton), the family of Danny Carey (brother-in-law of Libby Wachtel), Tyler Coultas (son of Karen Coultas), the family of Susie Jouett (sister of Rick Jouett)

FRIENDS: The family of Marites Burnafe (of Joanne Brown), the Gales family (of the Jeffersons), Letitia Knapp Iakovenko (friend of Crestwood), Elaine Thompson (of Crestwood)

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: the Cristi family (of Crestwood), David Farmer (friend of Kimberly Sparks), Jo Fulkerson, Georgia Gustafson (friend of Libby Wachtel), 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)

HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS: Carlene Adams, Karen Billings, Janice Boyd, Dick Featherston, Bonnie Flanery, Sylvia Griffin, Buzz Mattingly, Faye Porter, 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.



IN MEMORIAM

John Royce

GROUND'S MAINTENANCE HELP WANTED

The Property Committee will be doing work on the church grounds from 8:00-11:00 AM on Saturday, Aug. 2. All are welcome to participate!



We will meet at the covered main entrance to the Mission Center. Bring rakes, pruning tools, loppers, etc. Contact John Gretz, Property Chairperson, if you have any questions. Hope to see you there!

FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

You are welcome to join us for First Sunday Fellowship on Sunday, Aug. 3. Refreshments will be served in the narthex following both worship services. Please make plans to stay a few minutes after worship to connect with your Crestwood family.



CHILDREN'S LIBRARY OPENING AND AUTHOR READING

Please join us on Sunday, Aug. 17 as we celebrate the opening of our new children's library with an author's reading. Mollie P. Sawyer is a local writer who recently published her first children's book, "A Kentucky Adventure" through Christian Faith Publishing. She will be sharing with the kids during Worship & Wonder and available for book signings after the 10:45 AM service. Each children's ministry family will receive a free copy. The children's library will be open on Sunday mornings for anyone who wants to stop by. We would like to extend our gratitude to Susie Jolliffe for her hard work and leadership in bringing this project to life.



ELDERS ORDINATION AUGUST 17

On Sunday, Aug. 17, during the 10:45 AM worship service, we'll be ordaining the three new Elders elected to serve at the June congregational meeting. Congratulations to our new Elders! We look forward to supporting you as you serve Christ through Crestwood. The new Elders are:

Patty Hollingsworth
Paige Rea
Harvey Thompson

MISSY WALLACE COMMISSIONING

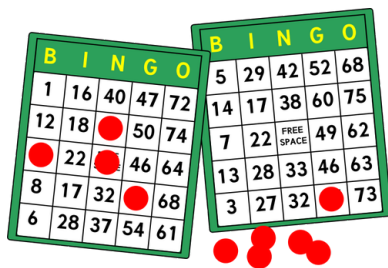
Please join us Sunday, Aug. 17, at 4:00 PM as we commission Missy Wallace into the office of Christian minister. This service will celebrate Missy's dedication to children's ministry and her hard work as she has answered God's calling. We encourage Crestwood members to unite with Missy's friends and family to celebrate this joyous occasion. All children are especially invited to participate! A reception will be held in Chalice Hall following the service.

What does it mean to be commissioned, and how does it relate to ordination? While the two differ in comprehensiveness of education and preparation, commissioning still requires extensive education and experience. To be commissioned, a candidate must demonstrate competency in 12 different areas related to ministry. Over the last two years, Missy has met five times with the Commission on Ministry Team for the region, as well as taken four classes at Lexington Theological Seminary. The Team determined that her continuing education, along with her 18 years of experience in ministry, was more than sufficient for her to be approved for commissioning status. It's the end of a long process and Missy is very qualified and gifted for this title. Please be there to celebrate with us!



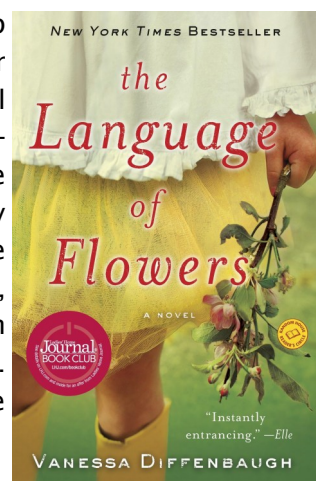
FUNCH = FUN + LUNCH...

FUN + LUNCH is our monthly potluck where we share good food, great conversation, and have lots of fun playing BINGO for prizes! Please plan to join us on Friday, Aug. 22 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.



CRESTWOOD BOOK CLUB UPCOMING MEETING

The Crestwood Book Club meets every other month for fellowship and spiritual growth, and everyone is invited! This month's book is "The Language of Flowers" by Vanessa Diffenbaugh. The group will meet on Monday, Aug. 25, at 6:30 PM in Room MC8 in the Mission Center. Call the church office for more information.



AUGUST 28 SRO TRIP TO LOUISVILLE

Everyone—Seniors, Retirees, and Others who are NOT in those categories—please join us as we travel in the Crestwood bus to Louisville on Thursday, Aug. 28. We



will visit The Filson Historical Society (formerly The Filson Club), a private organization dedicated since 1884 to the collection, preservation, and sharing of the history of Kentucky. The Filson Club offers weekly lectures, historical tours, and exhibits to researchers, authors, and the general public. Our visit includes a tour of the building that houses historical objects, which tell the story of the development of Kentucky culture and communities. Current exhibits include “Bustles to Blue Jeans: Highlights from the Filson’s Fashion Archive,” “Stories of the Ohio Valley,” and “The Erasure of Native Homeland.”

Itinerary:

10:30 AM—meet at Crestwood church

12:00 PM—arrive at the Granville Pub for lunch

1:30 PM—leave restaurant and park at The Filson Club

2:00 PM—take guided tour of historical exhibits in three buildings at The Filson

3:30 PM—leave Louisville

5:00 PM—arrive back at Crestwood

Cost:

Your lunch and a \$5 donation for gas. THE TOUR AT THE FILSON IS FREE! Please note: all buildings have elevators.

Please RSVP to Jeanette Knowles at 859-554-5204 by calling only (no text messages, please).

BE A BLESSING THROUGH OUR BLESSING BOX!

Crestwood has its own food pantry - the Blessing Box! We keep this cabinet (located outside the children’s wing doors) stocked daily with nonperishable food items. Every day, hungry folks come and are able to take the food they need to feed themselves and their families. We are so blessed to be able to offer this gift of love and care to our community! We are struggling to keep up with the need right now. Won’t you please help us out?



Next time you go shopping, please consider picking up a few extra items to donate to our Blessing Box pantry. Items should be left outside Steph Wallace’s office door in the admin wing. Here are the items we need most:

- Canned tuna or canned Vienna Sausages
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruit
- Canned beans (refried beans and baked beans)
- Canned pasta (like Chef-Boyardee Ravioli and Spaghettios with meatballs)

Thank you for helping make sure that our Blessing Box is always available for those who need it most. You are truly sharing the love of Christ with our hungry neighbors!

DEBORAH DWM CIRCLE



Thirteen members of the Deborah DWM circle recently gathered to assemble 75 sack lunches for the women who are served by Natalie’s Sisters. Thanks to the Deborah members that participated through donation of items and/or assembly of lunches. And thanks to Saralyn Kingsolver for coordinating. If you’d like to get involved in the Deborah circle, please email Ellen Williams at euwilliams@gmail.com.

SUPPORT GREENHOUSE17: DONATE PERSONAL CARE & FEMININE PRODUCTS TODAY

As a church committed to service and compassion, we have a special opportunity to support **GreenHouse17**, a nonprofit organization that provides safe shelter and support for survivors of intimate partner violence in our community. Their mission is one of healing, hope, and empowerment—and they need our help.



GreenHouse17

GreenHouse17 is currently in urgent need of personal care items and feminine hygiene products to support the individuals and families they serve. Items such as shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothbrushes & toothpaste, deodorant, body wash, lotion, etc. are essential to helping survivors regain dignity and comfort during an incredibly difficult time.

If you are able, please consider donating new, unopened items. Your contribution, no matter how small, will directly benefit those rebuilding their lives with the support of GreenHouse17. Items can be dropped off in the blue collection tub located in Giving Lane (marked “Greenhouse17”) before August 29, 2025. They will be delivered to the shelter the following week.

Let’s come together in faith and love to make a difference.

MAGAZINE DONATIONS NEEDED

If you have old magazines that you are no longer using, the teachers at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School would love to take them off your hands and put them to good use. The topic doesn’t matter (please no catalogues). You can leave them in Giving Lane or give them directly to Tara Wilkinson.



HELP US CARE FOR EACH OTHER

The gift of food can be a healing balm for those going through grief. The Caregivers Ministry Team is looking for people who’d be willing to help provide food for visitation and funeral receptions held here at the church. This can be as simple as baking some cookies or picking up a fruit or veggie tray. If you would like to add your name to the list of compassionate volunteers, email Monte LaFrana (mhlafrana@gmail.com) or Kelly Hale (kelly@crestwoodchristian.org)



ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD NOTES

The Administrative Board had a called meeting in June to make up for a cancelled May meeting, and then met on their regular schedule in July. Here are the actions that were taken:

- Approved David, Angie, and Hiatt Allen as Crestwood voting delegates to the 2025 General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).
- Approved the slate of leaders presented by the Nominating Committee.
- Approved the spending of \$43,000 to replace the church’s fire panel. Two lightning strikes in April fried the fire alarm board in the church. Without this fire alarm, no one receives notice of issues in the church. Plans are already in place for the replacement. The good news is this is covered by insurance, so we’ll be recouping a portion of the money we spend.

The Board also heard reports from the Faithful Planning Team about the progress of its work and from Missy Wallace about a grant Crestwood has received from Christian Theological Seminary for our children’s ministry program (read more about the grant on pg. 8).

The Board will have a called meeting in August to receive the final report from the Faithful Planning Team. Once that date is set, it will be publicized to the congregation. All Board meetings are open to the public.

THANK YOU, CRESTWOOD

Dear Friends,

We extend our heartfelt thanks for your faithful support of our ministries. Your steadfast partnership is a true blessing--one that continues to sustain and strengthen our work through the power of love in action. It is because of your generosity that we can bring lasting hope to those who need it most.

For 40 years, we have stood alongside those seeking asylum from violence, persecution, and disaster--those for whom home became a place of danger. In collaboration with Homeland Security, we receive and assist those released into our care, offering safety, dignity, and support on their journey.

We gratefully acknowledge your gift of \$972.00. May the Lord bless you abundantly for your kindness and compassion.

We invite you to visit www.swgsm.org to see the faces and hear the stories of those you are helping. You will surely recognize your own heart and impact reflected there, as a faithful partner in ministering to "the least of these."

Thank you once again.

In Christ's service,
Rev. Feliberto Pereira
Executive Director
Southwest Good Samaritan Ministries

Dear Friends of LTS,

The Lexington Seminary community is blessed by your generosity and kindness. We thank you for valuing the work of the Seminary and joining with us in preparing men and women for service in Christ's church.

When students reflect upon their opportunity to attend LTS, words can't describe how enthusiastic and appreciative they are to be in the Seminary's Master of Divinity program. If they could speak to you face-to-face, they would thank you for helping make their seminary education possible. So, on their behalf, thanks for your partnership and gift of \$361.77 on July 1, 2025.

Sincerely yours,
Mark V. Blankenship
Vice President for Advancement

VBS MISSION PROJECT

On July 15, the children of Crestwood donated 1,591 snack items to the Glendover Family Resource Center as part of their VBS mission project. Thank you to everyone for supporting our kids as they continue to serve our community.



Crestwood Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)



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.

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CRESTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH
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Children's Ministry

Missy Wallace

Greetings Crestwood Families,

Welcome to Christmas in the summer! Our schedule feels like December and is filled with fun back-to-school events, fellowship opportunities, and the grand opening of our children's library. It's also the season for gift giving, and our back-to-school supply drive for Glendover Elementary School is underway.

Crestwood's been given an extra special gift this year (actually, for the next two years). Our children's ministry program is one of eight in the country that has been selected to participate in the Growing in God's Word Initiative through Christian Theological Seminary and the Lilly Endowment. Be sure to read the announcement below for more details!

On Aug. 17 during my commissioning service, we will talk about the special gifts God gives to us. All the children are invited to participate in this unique experience, and I hope you can come to celebrate the call to serve (save room for cookie cake).

The most fulfilling gift is getting to serve in my vocation here at Crestwood. Connecting children with the unconditional love of Jesus is the joy of my heart and I am blessed to be your children's minister. Thank you for sharing this amazing journey with me.

With Hope,

Pastor Missy Wallace

SAVE THE DATES

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| August 3 - | Acolyte Training & First Sunday Fellowship |
| August 10 - | Back-to-school Breakfast & Blessing of the Backpacks |
| August 17 - | Children's Library Author Reading & Bridge Bible Presentations |
| August 24 - | Children's Fall Sunday School Resumes |
| September 7 - | First Sunday Fellowship |
| September 14 - | Blessing of the Pets |

CRESTWOOD RECEIVES CHILDREN'S MINISTRY GRANT

We are pleased to announce that Crestwood Christian Church has been selected to participate in the Growing in God's Word Initiative through Christian Theological Seminary and the Lilly Endowment. Our children's ministry program was one of eight selected from across the nation. This initiative aims to enhance how the Bible is shared with children, emphasizing the importance of integrating children into the central worship life of their faith communities. It seeks to strengthen intergenerational relationships within churches by involving all ages in prayer and worship, recognizing the value of older and younger generations learning from each other. It's a two-year, cohort-based learning project designed to empower impactful biblical storytelling and foster multigenerational relationships within churches. Year one includes onsite professional development training for children's ministry leaders in Indianapolis. Year two involves the implementation of a congregational ministry project with a focus on intergenerational worship including up to \$5,000 of funding. We are very excited to share the amazing work God continues to do through our children's ministry program here at Crestwood.



Youth Corner
By Rev. Steph Wallace



August is here, and that means a new program year for Crestwood Youth! I am always excited to welcome our newly baptized sixth graders into Chi Rho Youth Group, and also to welcome any other new youth to our program! We have so many plans for this fall, and I am both blessed and thankful for the opportunity to lead this awesome group of young people here at Crestwood. Our youth are such servants at heart and show amazing compassion for others, both in our group and when we go serve together as disciples in the community or on mission trips. I am incredibly inspired by our youth - they show us in every way that the future of Crestwood is a bright one!

ALL youth must have a Ministry Release form on file each year. It is like a combination permission slip and medical information form. If you have not submitted yours yet, click [HERE](#) to access the form. Thank you for taking care of this before our exciting new season begins!

As you probably know, our youth go on a summer mission trip every year in June. The funds we use to pay for these very meaningful and memorable experiences come primarily from our UK Football Car Parks! These car parks are a lot of fun, and it takes a minimum of three youth at each event to be successful. Please sign up to work a car park this coming season by clicking [HERE](#). If possible, each youth should work ONE car park during the season (there are seven home games to choose from). The times for these have not been released yet, but I will update the information as soon as it is available.

Our first regular youth group meeting will be our annual Youth Kickoff event in the gym from 4:00-6:00 PM on Sunday, Aug. 24! We will get to know each other, have snacks, play some fun and challenging games, and talk about upcoming events. Please plan to join us that afternoon! This will be a combined meeting of both Chi Rho (middle school) and CYF (high school).

August 2025 Youth Calendar

- Friday, Aug. 1: ALL Youth Field Trip to Countdown Games, 1872 Plaudit Place, Lexington, 40509. All youth must be dropped off at Countdown Games by 12:45 PM and picked up at 2:15 PM. The cost is \$25 per youth. Come join us - we are going to have the BEST time welcoming our new sixth graders into the group with some interactive and challenging team-building time!
- Sunday, Aug. 10: Back-to-School Potluck Breakfast during Sunday School time
- Sunday, Aug. 24: 4:00-6:00 PM - Combined Youth Kickoff Fellowship in the Gym! We will have a great time doing some team-building and playing games together!
- Saturday, Aug. 30: Our first UK Football Car Park of the season!
- Sunday, Aug. 31: Wake up with Wallace, 9:40 AM at Panera Bread
Chi Rho Youth Group meeting - 4:00-5:00 PM
CYF Youth Group meeting - 5:00-6:00 PM

As always, if you have any questions or want to chat, please do not hesitate to contact me! My cell phone number is (505) 250-0806. I am so excited for the new season and cannot wait to see all our amazing youth together again, growing in their faith, celebrating God's love, and building new relationships together.

Yours in Christ,
Rev. Steph Wallace

AUGUST CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE (except where noted otherwise)

8:30 AM - Worship Service
9:30 AM - Sunday School
9:30 AM - Choir Practice
10:45 AM - Worship Service

Friday, August 1

12:45 PM - Youth Field Trip - Countdown Games

Saturday, August 2

8:00 AM - Grounds Maintenance

Sunday, August 3 - FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

10:00 AM - Acolyte Training - Narthex
12:00 PM - Shalom Social Justice - Bradford Room

Monday, August 4

7:00 PM - Local Outreach - MC3

Tuesday, August 5

9:00 AM - Library Team - Church Library

Wednesday, August 6

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library
6:30 PM - Young Adult Gathering - The Cellar

Thursday, August 7

9:30 AM - Stephen Ministers - Chapel
11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room
6:00 PM - Personnel Committee - Bradford Room

Sunday, August 10

9:30 AM - Back-to-School Breakfast - Gym
10:30 AM - Blessing of the Backpacks - Sanctuary

Tuesday, August 12

2:00 PM - Property Team - Bradford Room

Wednesday, August 13

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

Thursday, August 14

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room
6:00 PM - Finance Team - Bradford Room

Sunday, August 17

10:45 AM - Elders Commissioning
12:00 PM - Elders Lunch - Chalice Hall
4:00 PM - Missy Wallace Commissioning - Sanctuary

Tuesday, August 19

6:15 PM - DWM Deborah Circle - Bradford Room

Wednesday, August 20

1:00 PM - Bible Study - MC3

Thursday, August 21

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

Friday, August 22

11:30 AM - FUNCH - Chalice Hall

Sunday, August 24

4:00 PM - Combined Youth Group Kickoff - Gym

Monday, August 25

6:30 PM - Book Club - MC 8

Wednesday, August 27

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

Thursday, August 28

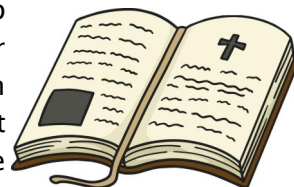
11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

Sunday, August 31

9:40 AM - Wake Up With Wallace - Panera Bread
4:00 PM - Chi Rho Youth Group
5:00 PM - CYF Youth Group

LITURGISTS NEEDED

Lend your voice to our worship services! We're looking for liturgists for both services on Sunday morning. The liturgist leads the congregation in the Call to Worship and reads the first scripture (both of which are provided during the week before). We'd love to have you be part of leading worship on Sunday, so please sign up. No previous experience necessary! Here's the link:



[Liturgist Signup](#)



Dear Crestwood family,

Thank you does not even begin to cover the depth of my profound gratitude to all of you for the four years of love and support you have shown me as I worked my way through seminary and towards my ordination into Christian Ministry. I have received so much care, uplifting, and wise mentoring from so many of you, and you have helped me grow into the minister I am today. Forgive me if the words “Reverend Wallace” cause a goofy grin or a small giggle to escape my lips in the weeks ahead, as I am still on that mountaintop Kory mentioned in his sermon, basking in the gratitude and joy that God led me here and that all of you were my faithful sherpas along the way. No minister on earth could be more blessed than I am, to have had Crestwood as my church family for this journey. I am eagerly looking forward to what God has in store for us in the future!

Thank you all, with all my heart!
Rev. Steph Wallace

Steph wearing a stole made by Gayle Hutcherson from scraps of material provided by members of the youth group

CONGRATULATIONS, REV. STEPH WALLACE

We were honored to host the ordination service for Steph Wallace! Friends and family, regional and LTS representatives, and members of Crestwood all joined together to celebrate Steph on her big day. We’re so proud of her for all her hard work and for this amazing accomplishment. God bless you, Steph!



Some of those present for the ordination included (L to R): Carter Wallace; Rev. Dr. Donald K. Gillett II, regional minister; Phil Cook, member of Steph's Commission on Ministry Team; Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson; Rev. Josh Snyder of the Kentucky Region; Scott Wallace; Clara Wallace; Rev. Trish Standifur; Rev. Steph Wallace; Rev. Deb Phelps, Steph's mentor in seminary; Rev. Dean Phelps; Rev. Bill McDonald; and Rev. Dr. Charisse Gillett, president of LTS

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CRESTWOOD CARES

Your Generosity as a Congregation
Makes It All Possible!

In July, Local Outreach provided \$600 to purchase food for our Blessing Box, which is seeing a high volume of use right now.

Our Local Outreach Bridge fund made the following three payments:

\$250 in rent, \$200 in rent, and \$200 in rent to help prevent eviction for three different individuals.

World Outreach gave \$972 to Southwest Good Samaritan Ministries.

Your love and generosity changes lives! We are bringing hope to those who need it most through our mission and outreach. Thank you for being such a generous and loving church!



CRESTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday Worship — 8:30 AM and 10:45 AM

Sunday School for all ages - 9:30 AM

10:45 AM service is available on Facebook and YouTube.

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Kory Wilcoxson, Senior Minister
Rev. Steph Wallace, Interim Associate Minister
Missy Wallace, Children's Minister
Rev. Kelly Hale, Pastoral Care Minister
Jennifer Heersche, Office Administrator
Jim Cristi, Facilities Manager
Frank Spragens, Music Director
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Cindy Abernathy, Pianist

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