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**Articles are due by Noon,
September 24**

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SEPTEMBER SERMON SERIES

Prayer can be intimidating. After all, we're talking to God! And yet, sometimes we overcomplicate something that is meant to be simple. Author Anne Lamott says that there are really only three essential prayers: Help. Thanks. Wow. For our September sermon series, we'll be diving deeper into those three words and how they contain within them the richest, most authentic prayers we can offer. Join us as we learn together how an effective prayer can be as simple as one word.

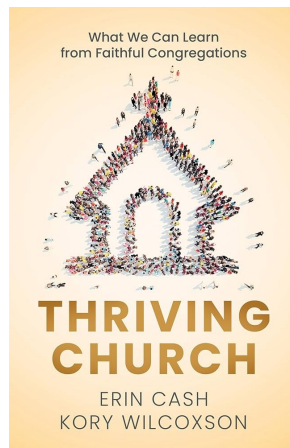
Sept. 7 – Essential Prayers: Help!

Sept. 14 – Essential Prayers: Thanks!

Sept. 21 – Essential Prayers: Wow!



SUNDAY SCHOOL



What does it mean for a congregation to thrive? We'll be exploring this question during our Sunday School hour for the month of September as we talk about Kory's book, "Thriving Church: What We Can Learn from Faithful Congregations." Everyone is invited to join us in Chalice Hall at 9:30 AM each Sunday in September as we talk through the 10 traits of thriving congregations, celebrating how our church is already thriving, and learn what else we can do to be faithful to who God is calling us to be. If you'd like a copy of Kory's book (\$20 and auto-graphed!), just let him know. The class starts on Sunday, Sept. 7.

DREAMING FORWARD 2025 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." – Jeremiah 29:11

What does it look like when a church dreams with God? This fall, we invite you to join us in *Dreaming Forward*—a season of prayer, reflection, and bold generosity as we imagine the future God is calling us to create together, building upon the Faithful Plan approved by the Administrative Board in August. When we dream forward together, we step faithfully into God's unfolding story. Stay tuned for more details on how you can be part of this exciting journey!

A WORD FROM KORY



I hope you've had a chance to look over the Faithful Plan that was received by the Board at their called meeting in August. It's an ambitious, transformative plan that will shape the future of our congregation in profound ways. I couldn't be more excited about it and can't wait to start living it out (the Board will appoint an Implementation Team at its September meeting to make that happen). I want to use this space to talk a little more about how the plan came about and what it means for us.

Before the plan gets into strategies and goals, it addresses two identity issues. The first is that it puts forward a set of values that help define who we are. They are:

- **Welcoming:** We are a friendly and inclusive faith community, living out the limitless love of Christ as a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.
- **Authenticity:** We are genuine with each other as we put our faith into action. We recognize that each of us is a work in progress and we honor the image of God in each other.
- **Generosity:** We cheerfully give of our resources, including our finances, time, and use of facilities.
- **Engagement:** Every person is called to use their gifts to serve God and minister to others.
- **Curiosity:** We invite questions and encourage exploration as a way of growing in our faith.
- **Commitment to Outreach:** We serve beyond the walls of the church.

These values bubbled up through the pages and pages of data we collected from over 150 participants. I feel like they capture the heart of Crestwood and help us articulate why we do what we do.

The other identity piece is the plan streamlines our Mission Statement. Our old statement had five bullet points, but we learned through our surveys that a couple of those points were confusing. Our new statement is more succinct and clearer on who God is calling us to be. It reads:

- **Mission:** Connecting people to God and each other by welcoming and accepting everyone; helping them grow in their faith; and empowering them to serve God by serving others.

I love this new statement because it balances the call to bring people in, disciple them, and send them out, taking the church out into the world.

The plan itself consists of four strategies, each with three goals. They are:

Strategy: Internal Engagement - *Grow and strengthen the congregation by helping members find personally meaningful ways to minister to one another.*

Goal 1: Develop administrative tools to support increased congregational engagement.

Goal 2: Increase participation in key programs.

Goal 3: Invest in leadership development.

With this strategy, our hope is to help the congregation members live out their God-given gifts to connect with God and each other and serve God both inside and outside the church. We have a lot of exciting things going on and we want people to be part of them. This strategy will help us connect the congregation with opportunities to get involved.

Strategy: External Engagement - *Expand our impact on the community and the world by engaging more members in outreach efforts.*

Goal 1: Develop administrative tools to support increased community engagement.

Goal 2: Conduct an assessment of our current external engagement activities to minimize duplication and maximize involvement and impact.

Goal 3: Grow member participation in external engagement activities.

This strategy is similar to the first one, but it focuses more on the ways we use our gifts to serve our community. Commitment to outreach is a core value for us and this strategy helps us live that out by making sure we are using our gifts and resources for a maximum impact.

Strategy: Telling our Story - *Improve the ways we communicate with both members and non-members about Crestwood's ministry.*

Goal 1: Develop a communications plan.

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Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Rick Fern, Bonnie Flanery, the family of Barbara Hahn, Charlie Keesy, the family of Barb Schriefer

FAMILY: Makensie Baxter (niece of Jane Maskalick), Phyllis Burdette (mother of Kim Powell), Liam Massey (nephew of Michelle DeLacey), Jayne (sister of Crestwood member)

FRIENDS: Don Belles (of Michelle DeLacey), Nancy Dawson (of Ward Ransdell), Kim Gilbert (of Heather Pergram), the family of Judy King (of Joanne Brown), George Miller (of Jill and Rick Sawyer), the family of Mary June Moseley (of Libby Wachtel), Tex Weber (of Jill and Rick Sawyer)

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), 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.

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Goal 2: Explore and utilize selected communications platforms, based on communications plan.

Goal 3: Show appreciation for all who serve.

We have such a great story to tell, one of welcome and grace and service. In our world today, telling that story means being conversant in a variety of communication platforms. This strategy will help us make use of the communication tools available to connect people to God and each other, shining Christ's light as we tell and show the ways God is at work through us.

Strategy: Be Intentionally Inclusive - Follow Christ's example by showing God's limitless love to all.

Goal 1: Explore how Crestwood can create a more welcoming environment to all people.

Goal 2: Explore the process to seek designation as an *Open and Affirming* congregation, showing our public commitment to the full inclusion of LGBTQ+ people in the life and ministry of our church.

Goal 3: Create a welcoming and inclusive environment at Crestwood for guests, regardless of their church.

This strategy came through loud and clear from our congregation as something that is extremely important to them. Our world is growing more diverse all the time, and yet there are forces pushing back against that. We believe God honors that diversity, and this strategy will help us welcome and embrace the beautiful rainbow of God's creativity. In a world where lines are drawn and people are being shut out, we want to be a place that welcomes people in, just as Christ welcomes us.

This plan calls us forward into a future drenched in God's grace and love, and our call is simply to be faithful to it. Some of the goals are already being addressed and I expect you'll be hearing more about others in the near future. The Implementation Team will work on timing and prioritization of these goals. I hope you are as excited about them as I am! I can't wait to see the ways God's spirit works through us as we live into this plan. God has BIG plans for us!

SEPTEMBER SRO BUS TRIP TO FRANKFORT

Let's look for cooler weather in early September when the next SRO bus trip leaves for Frankfort! **We will be on the road again on Tuesday, Sept. 9**, so RSVP time is *now*! We start with a drive-by/drive-through to see the



Floral Clock near the front of the State Capitol, the spectacular Vietnam Memorial sundial clock that lists the names of all Kentucky fatalities during the Vietnam conflict. Next, we will drive through the Frankfort Cemetery, where several notable historical Kentuckians are buried. (At any of these sites we may get off the bus for a closer look). Then, it will be time for lunch at The Brown Barrel in downtown Frankfort. After lunch, we will go to the Kentucky History Center for a tour of exhibit highlights and the "Gallery Exploration." The old State Capitol is now part of the History Center tour. Usually open to the public, it is temporarily closed due to air conditioning issues, but is open for scheduled tours like ours. If we are not too tired, we will stop at Rebecca Ruth Candies on 2nd Street to purchase some sweet treats on the way home. Join us for this awesome excursion!

Itinerary:

10:00 AM—Meet at Crestwood

10:45 AM—Arrive in Frankfort. Drive through Frankfort Cemetery. Drive by Floral Clock and Vietnam Memorial Clock.

11:45 AM—Arrive at restaurant

1:50 PM—Arrive at History Center

2:00 PM—Tour the History Center

3:00 PM—Tour the Old State Capitol

3:40 PM—Arrive at Rebecca Ruth Candies

4:25 PM—Arrive back at Crestwood

Cost:

\$6.00 for both tours (please bring cash).

Your lunch and a \$5 donation for gas for the bus.

If interested in joining this SRO trip, please contact Jeanette Knowles by Friday, Sept. 5 at 859-554-5204 (phone calls only, no texts, please).

FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

You are welcome to join us for First Sunday Fellowship on Sunday, Sept. 7. 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.



SEPTEMBER MEN'S BREAKFAST

Our Men's Breakfast is back from summer break! We'll gather on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 8:00 AM in the Bradford Room for a time of good food and fellowship. All men of Crestwood are welcome to join us! RSVPs aren't necessary but always appreciated; you can let Kory know if you plan to attend.



BLESSING OF THE PETS & PET SUPPLY DRIVE

All of Crestwood is invited to the Blessing of the Pets on Sunday, Sept. 14, from 2:00-3:00 PM in the Lafferty Garden. Bring your beloved pet (or a photo) to be prayed over and blessed by Kory!



The Crestwood Youth Group is collecting pet food and supplies for Lexington Humane Society, as we do each year leading up to the Blessing of the Pets. Please bring ANY of the items from the list below between now and Sept. 14 and leave them in one of the donation bins at either church entrance. These will be delivered to Lexington Humane Society immediately after the event on Sept. 14. Help us feed our hungry furry friends as they try to find their forever homes!

Needed Items:

- Dry Purina dog food
- Dry Purina Cat Chow
- Canned cat food
- Dry Purina Kitten Chow
- Cat litter (non-scented and non-clumping only)
- Milk Bone original dog biscuits (medium size)

ICE CREAM SOCIAL SEPT. 14

Please join us for an ice cream social during Blessing of the Pets Sunday, Sept. 14 from 2:00-3:00 PM. There will be pup cups available for our fur friends! Special thank you to our Fellowship Team for sponsoring this event.



FUNCH = FUN + LUNCH...

Be a part of the great food, even better conversations, and all the fellowship!! FUN + LUNCH is a monthly potluck, and everyone is invited. After lunch, we have lots of fun playing BINGO for prizes! Please plan to join us on Friday, Sept. 26 at 11:30 AM in Chalice Hall for FUNCH. Bring a dish to share and come enjoy this special time with your Crestwood family. No RSVP is needed.



REV. DR. GILLETT TO PREACH AT CRESTWOOD SEPT. 28

On Sunday, Sept. 28, we'll welcome to Crestwood Rev. Dr. Donald K. Gillett II, the Regional Minister for Kentucky, as he brings the sermon in both services. Before serving as Regional Minister, Rev. Dr. Gillett was the senior pastor at East Second Street Christian Church in Lexington for over 20 years. Rev. Dr. Gillett is a familiar face to Crestwood and we look forward to sharing in worship with him.



BACKROOM STRING BAND AT CRESTWOOD SEPT. 28

The Backroom String Band will be providing the music for both services on Sunday, Sept. 28. Mark your calendars now and come out for a morning of old-time



gospel and some newer selections. Members of the band are Katherine Steckler, vocals; Dean Phelps, vocals and guitar; Pat Soister, mandolin and percussion; Dana Ross, fiddle and vocals; Bill Johnson, guitar, banjo, and vocals; and Jane Johnson, bass.

CRESTWOOD BOOK CLUB

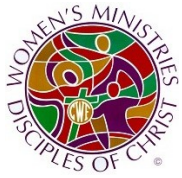
The Crestwood Book Club meets every other month for fellowship and spiritual growth, and everyone is invited! October's book is "The Excitements" by CJ Wray. The group will meet on Monday, Oct. 27, at 6:30 PM in Room MC 8 in the Mission Center. Contact Beth Cooper for more information.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



The Bryant Family:
Travis, Jennifer, Javon & Lilliana



DWM

DISCIPLES WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT - OCTOBER 24-26



The time has come to register for the 2025 Women's Fall Retreat!

The Women's Fall Retreat will take place Oct. 24-26 at Barren River State Park in Lucas, Kentucky. Registration is due October 12, and lodging arrangements must be made by Sept. 26.

Enjoy the beauty of the park, join in fellowship with other Disciples Women, participate in a silent auction, hear from our fabulous keynote speaker Rev. Dr. Denise Bell, and so much more!

To make your lodging reservations, call 270-646-2151, or reserve [online](#) using Group Code 4947 by Friday, Sept. 26.

Learn more and register for the retreat [here](#). Contact Marsha Thornton, Jr. at 502-797-4672 or marsha@ccinky.net with any further questions.

CIRCLE MEETINGS

2025 Just Women Bible Study:

Come, Holy Spirit, Come

Our first meetings of the year – please join us!

Julia Circle – NEW earlier time!

Monday, Sept. 15, 11:45 AM in the Bradford Room
Bring your own sack lunch & drink to enjoy at our new midday meetings! Fran Allen will bring a dessert to share.

Deborah Circle – NEW evening meetings!

Tuesday, Sept. 16, 6:15 PM in the Bradford Room
Saralyn Kingsolver will lead the Bible study "From Devastation to Hope." Please contact Laura Prather (lauraprather@gmail.com) if childcare is needed.

Dorcas Circle

Wednesday, Sept. 17, 10:00 AM in the Bradford Room
Linda Ransdell will present our Bible study, "From Devastation to Hope."

Crestwood Christian DWM invites all women to visit one or more of our Circles September through May.

SEPTEMBER SPOTLIGHT ON SERVICE: LEXINGTON RESCUE MISSION

HOPE is on the menu. That's right, HOPE!

[Lexington Rescue Mission](#) provides HOPE through the community meals served Monday through Saturday. HOPE to find a job, to find a place to live, to overcome addiction. Lexington Rescue Mission provides HOPE to return to a life where the people served can become self-sufficient and contributing members of our community.



This month, Crestwood's service project is the Lexington Rescue Mission. The following items are needed and may be placed in the Giving Lane (located in the hallway that leads to the Administrative Wing):

- Full size body wash, shampoo and conditioner
- Deodorant, razors, shaving cream
- Sanitizing wipes, soap
- Laundry detergent, dish detergent
- Backpacks, ponchos, umbrellas
- LexTran bus passes
- Walmart and fuel gift cards

For those who wish to make a monetary contribution, make checks payable to Crestwood Christian DWM with the letters LRM in the memo line. Please mail your check to DWM treasurer Donna Thor at 3405 Brandon Drive, Lexington, KY 40502.

For more information, contact DWM service coordinator Loraye Jones at 859-940-1567 (call or text) or email at loraye.r.jones@gmail.com

Won't you help give someone a little bit of HOPE today?

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Tuesday, Sept. 9
Habitat for Humanity
700 E. Loudon Ave., Lexington



BREAD FOR THE WORLD'S *Offering of Letters*

9:30 AM – Fellowship

10:00 AM – Megan Haist: Habitat's ministry

*Join women from churches all around Lexington who **Agree to differ, Resolve to love, are United to serve.** In Christ's Name – ALL are invited!*

Crestwood DWM is a participating organization with Church Women United.

**Contact Pat Waggener at 859-266-6313 or patwaggener@twc.com*

THANK YOU, CRESTWOOD

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your compassion and generosity; your gift of \$1,627 makes it possible for Christian Care Communities to fulfill its faith inspired mission of providing care, healing, hope, and a home for seniors.

Since over 60% of our residents live on a limited fixed income, we appreciate you choosing to help relieve them of the burden and anxiety that comes with an inflationary economy. Your generous support will help keep their housing costs affordable.

You have helped—

- Many residents receive Christ-like care even if they cannot pay the full cost.
- Continue the Faith—Care—Family tradition to over 6,000 seniors annually.
- Relieve the stress of stretching their modest incomes.
- Provide seniors a safe and secure home at one of the ten Christian Care Communities.

On behalf of all those we serve, thank you again! You are an important part of this legacy of caring and we are blessed to count you as a member of our Christian Care family.

In His name,

James W. Patton, LL.M., M.Div.

Vice President - Mission Advancement & General Counsel

Thank you to everyone who donated school supplies for the Glendover Family Resource Center. They surprised us with this banner in gratitude for the continued support Crestwood provides as a community partner. Because of your contributions, kids in need have the supplies to be successful in the classroom. Way to go Crestwood!



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!

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)



Children's Ministry

Missy Wallace

Greetings Crestwood Families,

We had a fabulous back-to-school kickoff with our all-church breakfast, blessing of the backpacks, and bible presentations. Thanks to your generosity, Glendover Elementary's school supply cabinets are now stocked and ready to serve families in need. We appreciate your continued support in helping our students thrive.

This season, we are excited to welcome two new members to our children's ministry team. Rhiannon Collins will be serving as our new children's music director and Maddy Council is returning to serve in our Worship & Wonder program. Please take a moment on Sunday morning to greet them.

Amazing things are happening in the life of our church family. The children's library is now open on Sunday mornings for everyone's enjoyment. The first phase of our Growing In God's Word grant is underway. Fall programming is on the horizon with Blessing of the Pets, fellowship opportunities, and our family pumpkin mission project.

It is a joy to continue serving as your children's minister. I'm grateful to serve in my vocation at Crestwood and appreciate everyone's support as I've completed my commissioning process. Buckle up for new adventures because the best is yet to come!

With Hope,
Pastor Missy



My Beloved Crestwood Family,

Thank you for your support as I've completed the process to become a commissioned minister within the Disciples of Christ. My commissioning service was extraordinary, and I would especially like to thank all the children who participated. I am blessed to serve in my vocation with each one of you by my side and appreciate your encouragement, love, and prayers.

With Gratitude,
Pastor Missy



SAVE THE DATES

- September 7 - First Sunday Fellowship
- September 14 - Blessing of the Pets & Fellowship Ice Cream Social
- October 5 - First Sunday Fellowship
- October 19 - Family Pumpkin Painting Mission Project
- October 26 - Youth-Sponsored Halloween Bash

Youth Corner

By Rev. Steph Wallace



Happy September! I hope the new school year has brought you joy and blessings... I absolutely love autumn for so many reasons, not the least of which is the cooler weather and football season! Our UK Football Car Parks began last month and will continue through November. This is how we earn the bulk of our mission fund each year, which pays for youth mission trips each summer. All youth should sign up to help work one car park - they are easy and fun and you will have plenty of help to show you what to do! Click [here](#) to sign up.

Another spectacular thing about autumn is that there are so many wonderful opportunities to serve in the months leading up to the holiday season! This month, our service project is collecting pet food and supplies for Lexington Humane Society, in conjunction with **Blessing of the Pets** on Sunday, Sept. 14. The youth will be setting up for the event, providing assistance during the event, and collecting and loading all the donated food and pet supplies to be taken to Lexington Humane Society immediately after the event. The event will begin at 2:00 PM in the Lafferty Garden. All youth please be at church by 1:45 PM to help out!

September 2025 Youth Calendar

Sunday, September 7: Regular Youth Group meetings

- Chi Rho 4:00-5:00PM in Chi Rho room
- CYF 5:00-6:00PM in CYF room

Sunday, September 14: Blessing of the Pets, 2:00 - 3:00pm in Lafferty Garden

- (Youth should plan to be at church from 1:45 - 3:15 that afternoon for set up, clean up and loading afterwards, etc.)
- No regular meetings today due to Blessing of the Pets

Sunday, September 21: Regular Youth Group meetings

- Chi Rho 4:00-5:00PM in Chi Rho room
- CYF 5:00-6:00PM in CYF room

Sunday, September 28:

- WAKE UP WITH WALLACE! Meet at Panera Bread at 9:40AM.
- Combined youth group meeting, 4:00-6:00pm, Youth Meeting Room

Until I see you in church, may the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

Yours in Christ,
Rev. Steph Wallace

SEPTEMBER 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

Monday, September 1

LABOR DAY - OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, September 2

9:00 AM - Library Team - Library

Wednesday, September 3 -

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

Thursday, September 4

9:30 AM - Stephen Ministers - Chapel
11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room
6:00 PM - Personnel Committee - Bradford Room
7:00 PM - Choir Practice

Saturday, September 6

12:30 PM - Car parking for UK football game

Sunday, September 7 - FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

4:00 PM - Chi Rho Youth Group
5:00 PM - CYF Youth Group

Tuesday, September 9

2:00 PM - Property Team - Bradford Room

Wednesday, September 10

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

Thursday, September 11

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room
6:00 PM - Finance Team - Bradford Room
7:00 PM - Choir Practice

Saturday, September 13

8:00 AM - Men's Breakfast - Bradford Room
4:30 PM - Car parking for UK football game

Sunday, September 14

10:45 AM - DWM Officers Installation
12:15 PM - DWM Board Meeting - Bradford Room
2:00 PM - Blessing of the Pets & Ice Cream Social -
Lafferty Garden

Monday, September 15

7:00 PM - Legends Faith and Family Night -
Legends Field

Tuesday, September 16

6:15 PM - DWM Deborah Circle - Bradford Room

Wednesday, September 17

10:00 AM - DWM Dorcas Circle - Bradford Room
1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library
7:00 PM - Administrative Board - Bradford Room

Thursday, September 18

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

Sunday, September 21

12:00 PM - Elders Lunch - Chalice Hall
4:00 PM - Chi Rho Youth Group
5:00 PM - CYF Youth Group

Wednesday, September 24

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

Thursday, September 25

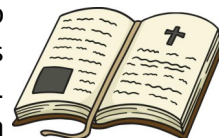
11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room
7:00 PM - Choir Practice

Sunday, September 28

9:40 AM - Wake Up With Wallace - Panera Bread
4:00 PM - Combined 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](#)





IN MEMORIAM
Barbara Hahn



IN MEMORIAM
Barb Schriefer

THANK YOU FROM THE ROYSE FAMILY

John Royse loved Crestwood. He would have been so honored to see and feel the outpouring of love and respect from you. Over the past year, your visits to deliver communion and just talk meant so much to him. There aren't enough words of gratitude for your prayers, cards, expressions of sympathy, and support you have given us during this difficult time. Again, thank you for being a wonderfully supportive church family.

- The Royse family

BOARD NOTES

At a called meeting in August, the Board voted unanimously and enthusiastically to receive the final report of the Faithful Planning Team (see Kory's article on page 2 for a more detailed look at the plan). The meeting was attended by Board members, members of the Faithful Planning Team, staff, and interested congregation members - 30 people in all! The next scheduled Board meeting is Wednesday, Sept. 17, at 7:00 PM in the Bradford Room. All Board meetings are open to the public.

Crestwood Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

OUR MISSION

Connecting people to
God and each other by
welcoming and
accepting everyone;
helping them grow
in their faith;
and empowering them to
serve God by
serving others.



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Crestwood Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

Return Service Requested

CRESTWOOD CARES

Your Generosity as a Congregation
Makes It All Possible!

In August, Local Outreach provided \$500 to purchase food for our Blessing Box, which continued to see a high volume of use. Blessing Box food donations (canned meat, tuna, vegetables, and beans) are greatly needed and appreciated!

Our Local Outreach Bridge fund made rental payments to prevent eviction for two families:

\$200 in rent

\$200 in rent

The Bridge fund also paid \$84 to KU to help one family prevent their electricity from being shut off.

World Outreach gave a Lollis Gift of \$1627 to Christian Care Communities.

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.

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