October 12, 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

(8:30) We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder arr. Mark Hayes
(10:45) Christian Hearts in Love United arr. Robert J. Powell

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Rejoice in God always! Again, I say rejoice!

People: We have so much for which to be thankful.

Leader: God has gathered us together from our individual lives…

People: …to be with each other in this place.

Leader: Through God we are united as one people with a purpose…

People: …to love God and to serve each other.

Leader: So rejoice in God always!

People: We are here to give our thanks and praise to God.

*HYMN 70 God of the Sparrow God of the Whale ROEDER

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45) Georgia Williams

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 16:11-18 First Testament, pg. 63

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 My God Is So High Moses Hogan
Mariah Graves, soprano

Proclaiming God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING John 6:1-13 Second Testament, pg. 97

SERMON Core Strength: Generosity
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN Where is Bread? ABBOT'S LEIGH
(See lyrics to the right)

**Please stand as you are able.*

Responding to God's Word

SHARING OF 2026 PLEDGES AND OFFERING

Usually we pass the plates as a reminder of the importance of expressing our generous thanks to God. We are grateful for all the ways people give, including online (see QR code in this bulletin) or the website (crestwoodchristian.org/give).

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

(8:30) Wonderful Words of Life arr. Glenda Austin
(10:45) Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing arr. Paul Manz

*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.

OR

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FROM SCRIPTURE

SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP

(8:30) Oh, How I Love Jesus arr. David Berry
(10:45) Cup of Blessing That We Share
arr. Hermann Schroeder

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 606 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending NETTLETON

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE (10:45) Gaelic Blessing John Rutter

POSTLUDE

(8:30) Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus arr. Glenda Austin
(10:45) Voluntary in F Phil Lehenbauer

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WHERE IS BREAD?

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"Where is bread?" the great crowd murmured —Thousands strong, yet all in need.
"Where is bread?" your people wondered, Faced with such a crowd to feed.
Who, Lord Jesus, could have guessed it? One small boy brought food to share.
Taking what he gave, you blessed it; All were fed, with much to spare.

Where is bread? We know their yearning; Every day, we wish for more.
God, in time, we're slowly learning: All we own can make us poor.
Our possessions can possess us, Leaving hunger deep inside.
Christ our Bread, come now and bless us; At your feast, we're satisfied.

"Where is bread?" the call is rising; Millions cry who must be fed.
God, your answer seems surprising: "You, my Church, you give them bread."
Bread to fill each hungry spirit, Bread for hungry stomachs, too!
Give us bread and help us share it. Richly blest, may we serve you.

"NO INNOCENT BYSTANDERS" BOOK STUDY

Kory will be leading a book study of *No Innocent Bystanders*, starting on Monday, Oct. 13 and running for four weeks. We'll talk about what it means to be an ally, look at the history of allies in the social justice movements, and explore ways we can join in the struggle for all people to be recognized and valued as children of God. The book study will meet at 6:30 PM in the chapel. Please let Kory know if you will be participating and you can order the book using the QR code provided here.

GROWING CLOSER TO GOD WORKSHOP

As part of their "Living Well" series, the Stephen Ministers would like to invite you to a workshop on "Growing Closer to God." This gathering, led by Susan Christerson Brown, will explore ways we can use spiritual disciplines and resources to help us deepen our faith. The workshop will be Sunday, Oct. 19, at 4:00 PM in the Bradford Room. Join us!

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Sylvia Griffin, James Pelfrey, the family of Faye Porter

FAMILY: Wilma Larkins (mother of Jeanne Jouett), **the family of Ernie Nordman** (brother of Libby Sharpe), **Jim Wallace** (father of Scott Wallace)

FRIENDS: Hunter Galloway (of Jeanne Jouett), **Ann Hayes** (of Phoebe Wiley), **Terry Horsley** (of James Pelfrey), **Phyllis McClister** (of Heather Pergram)

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: the Cristi family (of Crestwood), **David Farmer** (friend of Kimberly Sparks), **Tybi Finnegan** (of Steph Wallace), **Jo Fulkerson**, **Laurie Hart** (granddaughter of Susan & Kendall Hart), **Jordan & Ginny Sue Hemphill** (brother & sister-in-law of Monte LaFrana), **Denise Murray, 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, 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.

HALLOWEEN CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED!

The youth need donated Halloween candy (individually wrapped) for the trick-or-treating that will take place at the Halloween Bash on Oct. 26. Please leave bags of candy in the donation bins in the Children's wing and the glass breezeway. THANK YOU!!

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.

Today's Worship Leaders

Elders
8:30 John Gretz
10:45 Dabney Parker

Liturgists
10:45 Patti Bridges

Next Sunday

Core Strength: Welcoming
Romans 12:9-21
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

What's Coming Up at Crestwood
October 12, 2025

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, October 12 - *SECOND* SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP
8:30 AM - Worship Service
9:30 AM - Sunday School
10:00 AM - Choir Practice
10:45 AM - Worship Service
3:15 PM - Combined Youth Group Crop Walk - Second Presbyterian Church

Monday, October 13
6:30 PM - "No Innocent Bystanders" Book Study - Chapel

Tuesday, October 14
2:00 PM - Property Team - MC 3

Wednesday, October 15
10:00 AM - DWM Dorcas Circle - Bradford Room
1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library
7:00 PM - Ministry Council - Bradford Room

Thursday, October 16
11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room
6:00 PM - Personnel Committee - Bradford Room
7:00 PM - Choir Practice

Saturday, October 18
4:00 PM - Car parking for UK Football

Sunday, October 19
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 - Bradford Room
12:00 PM - Pumpkin Decorating - Chalice Hall
4:00 PM - Living Well Series - Bradford Room

Church Staff

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

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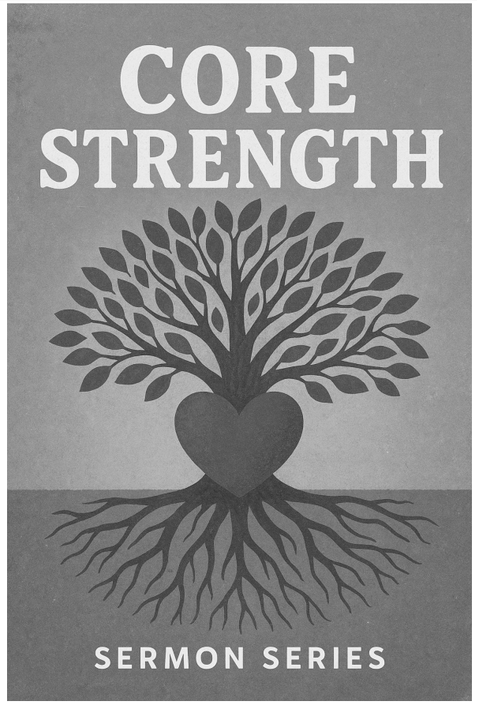

Generosity

John 6:1-13

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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