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# THE WEEKLY

NOVEMBER 4, 2025

## CHURCH CALENDAR

### Tuesday, November 4

9:00 AM - Library Team - Library

### Wednesday, November 5

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

### Thursday, November 6

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

6:00 PM - Personnel Committee - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice

### Saturday, November 8

8:00 AM - Men's Breakfast - Bradford Room

4:00 PM - Car parking for UK Football

### Sunday, November 9

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

12:15 PM - DWM Board Meeting

4:00 PM - Combined Youth with Dinner

4:00 PM - Crestwood Crash Course - Bradford Room

## PLEASE HELP US FEED OUR HUNGRY NEIGHBORS AND DONATE TOWARD FOOD BOXES FOR THE NEST!

Every autumn, our Youth Ministry collects money to supply food boxes for The Nest - and this year our goal is 400 boxes! The cost is about \$6500 - roughly \$16 per box. Please consider helping by donating money to purchase food for the boxes. Please donate however much you can to help us meet this goal and show our compassion this holiday season for our brothers and sisters in need. Please label your donation "Food Boxes" so we know your gift is meant to be used towards our goal. Thank you so much for helping make this wish a reality as 400 families with children right here in Lexington will be blessed through this project with a box full of food to feed their families at Christmas!



## Sunday, November 9

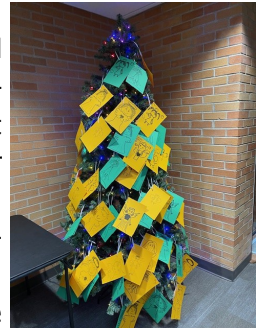
Core Strength: Curiosity

Acts 17:16-20

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

## ANGEL TREES ARE HERE!

This year, Crestwood has committed to helping 181 children from Russell Cave, Liberty, and Glendover Elementary schools. Angel trees will be set up outside of the chapel and choir room with colored tags. Please sign out the numbered tag(s) on the clipboards provided. Angels are grouped together by family and, if you are able, please adopt a family in lieu of multiple single angels. All gifts must be turned in no later than Friday, Dec. 5. All gifts need to be returned unwrapped in a trash bag with the provided color-coded sticker. You may include an optional roll of wrapping paper in the bag. Gifts may be left by the trees on Sunday morning or delivered to the church office. Thank you for your generosity in giving the kids of our community a Merry Christmas!



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

A group of Crestwood volunteers will be sorting clothes for clients of the Lexington Rescue Mission on Friday, Nov. 21. We will meet at 12:30 PM in Crestwood's North lot to carpool or you can meet us at LRM (535 W 2nd St.) at 1:00 PM. We plan on working for about two hours. There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex after both services on Nov. 9 and 16. Come join us!



## NOVEMBER MEN'S BREAKFAST

We'll gather on Saturday, Nov. 8, 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.

## Joys and Concerns

**MEMBERS:** Sylvia Griffin, Family of Bobby Lail, Denise Murray, Ray Ware

**FAMILY:** Susan Goodman (sister of Lucy Wells), Wilma Larkins (mother of Jeanne Jouett), Michele Mitchell (daughter of Eva Dennis), Tari Moore (mother of Judy Moore), Joanne Raydon (mother of Susie Psimer), Naomi Riddell (mother of Michelle Ison)

**FRIENDS:** Hunter Galloway (of Jeanne Jouett), Ann Hayes (of Phoebe Wiley), Courtney Baker Pettit (of Phoebe Wiley), Rob Piepsny (of Travis Bryant), Pat Reynolds (of Phoebe Wiley), the family of Colin Scott (of Travis Bryant)

**LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST:** the Cristi family (of Crestwood), 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:** Anar Aliyev (of Crestwood), Alex Back (son of Andrea Back), Karlis Bowman (nephew of Debbie Gardner), Tristan Bowman (nephew of Debbie Gardner), Jacob Browning (son of Holly Nutter), 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 recent natural disasters, and for God's spirit of reconciliation to bring healing during these difficult times.

## LEARN MORE ABOUT CRESTWOOD

New to Crestwood? Want to know more about who we are and how you can get involved? Join our Crestwood Crash Course on Sunday, Nov. 9, at 4:00 PM in the Bradford Room. Kory will share a little history of our congregation, talk about how we are organized and governed, and give you ways to connect and participate. RSVPs to Kory are encouraged but not required. Join us!



## HELP US WELCOME EVERYONE – BE A GREETER!

As part of fulfilling our Faithful Plan and living out our core value of Welcoming, we are reviving our Greeter Ministry! Greeters provide a friendly face and warm welcome to all worshippers on Sunday morning. If you are interested and willing to be a greeter at either service, just click this link to sign up. Let's make sure everyone who walks through our doors knows how glad we are that they are here!



[Greeting Ministry Signup](#)

## COMMUNICATION SURVEY

How do you get your news and information about what's going on at Crestwood? As part of our Faithful Plan, we are conducting a Communication Survey to find out the best ways we can keep you informed about what's happening at Crestwood. Would you please take a moment to click this [link](#) or scan the QR code to fill out the survey? If you would like a paper copy of the survey, please let the office know. We look forward to hearing from you!



## GLENDOVER FOOD DRIVE

Children's Ministry will be hosting a food drive for the Glendover Elementary Family Resource Center. All donations can be brought to the children's wing on Sunday morning. Individual items need to be small enough to fit in a child's backpack with **non-glass containers**.

-Beans  
-Jelly  
-Spaghetti Noodles  
-Small Cereal Boxes  
-Rice

-Canned Meats/Vegetables  
-Applesauce  
-Spaghetti Sauce  
-Breakfast Bars  
-Goldfish

## YOUTH MINISTRY ASSESSMENT WITH MINISTRY ARCHITECTS

One of the suggested action items from the Faithful Planning Team's report was that we expand upon and enhance our Youth Ministry. The first step towards that goal is to assess our Youth Ministry Program and see where there might be opportunities for growth. Ministry Architects (MA) has been invited to Crestwood to hear what you have to share about the youth ministry. They will spend the majority of their time listening to you. If you'd like to read more about MA, please see the longer article in the Nov. 1 [Crest](#).



Parents, Sunday school teachers, volunteers, youth, session members, etc. are welcome. Come be a part of sharing your hopes and dreams for our youth ministry.

### **Sunday, Nov. 16:**

12:00-1:00 PM - General Congregation  
1:15-2:15 PM - Church Leadership (Board, Elders)  
3:00-4:00 PM - Youth Volunteers  
4:00-5:00 PM - Parents of Youth  
5:00-6:00 PM - Youth

### **Monday, Nov. 17**

6:00-7:00 PM - Youth parents via Zoom

\*After the assessment is complete, a final report (with recommended next steps) will be shared with the congregation approximately 1-2 weeks later, via Zoom.

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

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, Nov. 21 at 11:30 AM in Chalice Hall for FUNCH. Bring a dish to share (there might even be homemade pie!) and come enjoy this special time with your Crestwood family. No RSVP is needed.



## **DO YOU NEED HELP WITH YOUR DECORATIONS? LET US KNOW!**

Christmas time is coming, which means putting up lights and decorations and, of course, the Christmas tree. We know that for some of our members, this may be a daunting task for a variety of reasons. If you'd like some help putting up your decorations, let us know! We have several families with kids that would LOVE to help you! Just call the church office and we'll put you in touch with a family that would be more than happy to help you get in the Christmas spirit.

## HELP DECORATE OUR CRESTWOOD CHRISTMAS TREE

For the first time, we're going to have a Crestwood family Christmas tree, and we want your ornament on it! We're asking you to bring in a family ornament, preferably that has your name(s) on it. It could be as simple as taking a plain ornament and writing your name(s) on it. To be clear, we're not asking you to bring in an heirloom ornament or one that is easily broken. We just want to make sure all our Crestwood families are represented! You can drop the ornament by the office or bring it on Sunday, Nov. 30, the first Sunday of Advent.



## **DID YOU KNOW...**

That one in every four children in Kentucky faces food insecurity? Or that over 700,000 people in our state go hungry on a regular basis? Our Blessing Box, which is stocked daily by our Blessing Box



Team, provides nutritious, non-perishable food items to many folks who might not be able to eat otherwise. Please, won't you help us provide this essential food for our hungry neighbors? If you are able, please buy a few extra items the next time you are at the store, and drop them off outside Steph Wallace's office in the administration wing.

Here is what we need most:

Canned tuna  
Canned fruit  
Canned soup  
Canned vegetables  
Canned pasta (like Chef Boyardee Ravioli and Beefaroni)  
Canned refried beans  
Peanut Butter

With rising food costs and cuts to government benefits like EBT and SNAP, many people are struggling more than ever to buy enough food to feed their families. Any canned food donations you can help with are GREATLY appreciated. We are sharing the compassionate love of Christ in a very tangible, meaningful way!

