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THE WEEKLY

DECEMBER 9, 2025

CHURCH CALENDAR

Tuesday, December 9

2:00 PM - Property Team

Wednesday, December 10

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

Thursday, December 11

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

6:00 PM - Finance Team - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice

Saturday, December 13

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

Sunday, December 14

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

12:00 PM - Congregational Meeting - Sanctuary

4:00 PM - Live Nativity Trail

5:00 PM - All-Church Holiday Dinner

Monday, December 15

11:45 AM - DWM Julia Circle - Bradford Room

THE KENTUCKIANS CHORUS CONCERT

Dec. 9 7:30 PM

The Kentuckians Chorus will provide a free preview of their Christmas show! Join us for great music and some laughs. This is their "Thank You" for our letting them use our space for rehearsals.

LIVE NATIVITY TRAIL

Dec. 14 4:00 PM

We will be hosting a Live Nativity Trail prior to our all-church holiday dinner. Families can pick up maps and start at the children's wing entrance for kids to participate in a scavenger hunt across church property and interact with characters. A nativity petting zoo will be onsite for all to enjoy. You don't want to miss it!



Sunday, December 14

The Whos Down in Whoville

Isaiah 11:1-9

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

CHURCH HOLIDAY DINNER

Dec. 14 5:00 PM

Please join us for our annual church family dinner and Christmas carol singing. All are welcome to gather for this special meal and celebrate the season together. Chef Shawn will prepare a traditional Christmas feast for us including: herb crusted turkey breast, mashed potatoes, dressing, Southern green beans, cranberry sauce, and homemade yeast rolls. [Click here](#) to RSVP.

It takes a lot of hands to make a dinner this large happen, so we'd also appreciate anyone who is available to help. You can [click here](#) to sign up. Many festive hands make light work!

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Dec. 17 6:30 PM

Join us as we spread holiday cheer to some of our neighbors and church members! We'll depart from church at 6:30 PM. The whole family is invited to be part of the singing!



LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE

Dec. 21 4:00 PM

We are approaching the Winter Solstice, the longest night of the year. Memories of lost loved ones and the pain of present experiences and situations can become overwhelming. While the holidays are supposed to be full of joy, some of us experience sadness, grief, or anxiety. You are not alone. The Stephen Ministers invite you to a service acknowledging and seeking the LIGHT that comes into the darkness. Please invite friends to join you.



Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Terry Fisher, family of Lionel and Ellie Hawse, Tracy Lovan, Mike Lovell, Julie McDonald, Jim McKinney, Boyd Schriefer, family of Betty Shanklin

FAMILY: Mary Herald (sister of Kimberly Sparks), family of Gordon Johns (stepfather of Julie Lewis), family of Marge Marcum (cousin of Libby Wachtel), family of Janet Mitchell (aunt of Lyndi Van Deursen), Michele Mitchell (daughter of Wayne and Eva Dennis), family of Mark Stockstill (cousin of Ward Ransdell)

FRIENDS: Family of Wallace Arthur (of Mandy Deerhake), Tate Dale (of Sarah Jefferson), Donovan family (of Sarah Jefferson), Reed Elliot (of Travis Bryant), family of Tim Hughes (of Crestwood), Greg Prewitt (of Jim and Libby Sharpe), Shirley Price (of Phoebe Wiley), Pat Reynolds (of Phoebe Wiley)

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), Mary Zarba (friend of Libby Wachtel)

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, Sylvia Griffin, 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.

DECEMBER MEN'S BREAKFAST

We'll gather on Saturday, Dec. 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.



POINSETTIA ORDERS

It is time to order poinsettias for your loved ones or yourself! Each plant costs \$10 and **payment is due by Dec. 15**. Call the office to place an order, email Jennifer Heersche at office@crestwoodchristian.org, or [place your order online](#). The poinsettias will be placed in the sanctuary by December 21. If you are purchasing a plant, you are welcome to take it home after the Christmas Eve services.



ADVENT WORKSHOP

Special thank you to everyone who participated in our Advent Workshop on Sunday. Twenty five families gathered for a pizza lunch, hot cocoa bar, and painting family serving plates. Plates will be ready for pick up Dec 14 from the children's wing desk.



HOLIDAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Lexington is full of volunteer needs and opportunities over the holidays. These are fantastic ways for individuals, groups, or families to be involved in caring for our community. The Salvation Army needs volunteers for [Christmas Meal](#), [Angel Tree Distribution Center](#), and [Red Kettle Bell Ringing](#). Happy volunteering!



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING DEC. 14

There will be a regular congregational meeting on Sunday, Dec. 14, after the 10:45 AM service to vote on the 2026 budget. All church members are encouraged to attend.

FUNCH = FUN + LUNCH AND YOU ARE INVITED!

Come be a part of the wonderful conversation, delicious food, and laughter! We enjoy fellowship time over a potluck lunch, then play BINGO for prizes! Please plan to join us on Friday, Dec. 19 at 11:30 AM in Chalice Hall for our next FUNCH gathering! ALL ARE WELCOME!



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!



A Grinch-y Christmas Sermon Series



Dec. 14 - The Whos Down in Whoville

Dec. 21 - Maybe Christmas Means a Little Bit More

Christmas Eve

SERVICES

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24

5:00 PM FAMILY SERVICE

10:30 PM ORGAN PRELUDE

7:00 PM CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
(LIVE-STREAMED)

11:00 PM CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

