

CHURCH CALENDAR

Wednesday, February 11

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

Thursday, February 12

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice

Saturday, February 14

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

Sunday, February 15

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

12:00 PM - Family Lenten Workshop - Chalice Hall

12:00 PM - Elders Lunch - Bradford Room

Monday, February 16

9:00 AM - Youth & Family Ski Trip (Perfect North Slopes)

11:45 AM - DWM Julia Circle - Bradford Room

Tuesday, February 17

6:15 PM - DWM Deborah Circle - Bradford Room

Sunday, February 15

Outreach Grant Presentations

FAMILY LENTEN WORKSHOP

Mark your calendars as we prepare to kick off the Lenten season at Crestwood. Children and Youth Ministries will be partnering for our Family Lenten Workshop on Sunday, Feb. 15 after second service in Chalice Hall. There will be a pizza lunch, family craft, and mission project for all ages! Together we are making sandwiches for the Hope Mobile, and if you would like to contribute to the cost of supplies, a recommended donation of \$25 per family is suggested but not required.



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

On Wednesday, Feb. 18 at 7:00 PM, Crestwood will host East Second Street Christian Church for our annual combined Ash Wednesday service. Please join us for this meaningful beginning to the Lenten season.



YOUTH & FAMILY SKI TRIP

On Monday, Feb. 16 (Presidents' Day), we will be heading to the snowy slopes of Perfect North in Indiana to enjoy our annual family skiing/snow tubing trip! The church van will leave Crestwood at 9:00 AM for those who need a ride to Perfect North. Because we did not have enough RSVPs to meet the group rate, all skiers and snow tubers will be responsible for purchasing their own tickets when we arrive. Please email Steph or Kory with any questions you have about the trip!



FEBRUARY MEN'S BREAKFAST

We'll gather on Saturday, Feb. 14, 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.



OUTREACH GRANT PRESENTATIONS

This Sunday, Feb. 15, Crestwood will be privileged to hear from each of the four agencies who were awarded grants from the Crestwood Cox Endowment Account in 2025. Representatives from Christian Church in KY (for Camp Wakon'DaHo), The Nest, Natalie's Sisters, and Arbor Youth Services will be providing the message in both the 8:30 and 10:45 worship services. Please plan to attend and hear about these organizations and specifically what a difference Crestwood's gifts will do for each agency and the impact it has on our community.

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Cindy Abernathy, Erik Nielsen

FAMILY: Family of Gary Adamson (father of Kyle Adamson), Phyllis Burdette (mother of Kim Powell), Michele Mitchell (daughter of Wayne and Eva Dennis), Mollie Ross (cousin of Bill Bacon), Luke Saunier (of Annetta Carter), LeRoy Wease (nephew of James Pelfrey)

FRIENDS: August and Matt (of River DeLacey), Black Bear and his wife Joy (of Ann Kingsolver), Roy and Lena Campbell (of Saralyn Kingsolver), Bodie Cox and family (of Travis Bryant), Matthew Johnson (of James Pelfrey), Jason Murray, family of Patty Rai Smith (of Crestwood), David Staten (of Crestwood), Kerry Taulbee (of Gayle Hutcherson), Shannon Willow (of James Pelfrey)

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Suzy Campbell (of Libby Wachtel), 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, Julie Parsons (of Libby Wachtel), Sally (of Ann Kingsolver), Tony Shartle, Henrietta Shores (granddaughter of Mary Beth Shores), Nathaniel Sligh (nephew of Kimberly Sparks), Carter Yates (nephew of Stephanie & Josh Moore)

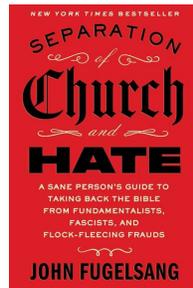
ARMED FORCES: Anar Aliyev (of Crestwood), Alex Back (son of Andrea Back), Karlis Bowman (nephew of Debbie Gardner), Tristan Bowman (nephew of Debbie Gardner), Jacob Browning (son of Holly Nutter), Bud DeLacey (nephew of Matt & Michelle DeLacey), Connor Hankins (nephew of Lauren York), Matt Holman (son 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, 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 and oppression 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.

LENTEN BOOK STUDY

For our Lenten Book Study, we'll be reading and discussing "Separation of Church and Hate: A Sane Person's Guide to Taking Back the Bible from Fundamentalists, Fascists, and Flock-Fleecing Frauds" by comedian and broadcaster John Fugelsang. The description reads, "In this informative, perspective-shifting book, Fugelsang takes readers through common fundamentalist arguments on abortion, immigration, LGBTQ rights, and more—exposing their hypocrisy and inaccuracy through scripture, common sense, and deeply inappropriate humor. It offers practical tips on how to debate your loved one, coworker, or neighbor on the issues that divide us using that Bible they claim to follow." Our book study will meet on Mondays, starting Feb. 23, at 6:30 PM in the chapel and you can purchase the book [here](#). RSVPs to Kory are not required but always encouraged. Hope you'll join us!



FAMILY MINISTRY WEBINAR

Join us on Sunday, Feb. 22 at 4:00 PM for an online conversation about tough topics kids may be discussing with their peers. Lacey Adams, LMFT will be presenting on how families can speak with children and youth about events in Minneapolis. Please email Missy Wallace for a registration link.

FEELING OVERWHELMED OR IN NEED OF PRAYER?

Join us for a Prayer Service on Sunday, Feb. 22 from 6:00-7:00 PM in the sanctuary. We will read Scripture, sing hymns, light candles, and pray over all that is weighing heavily on our hearts these days. We trust that the Holy Spirit will meet us in our pain and frustration and help carry these burdens with us. Please plan to join us.

2026 PASTOR'S CLASS

Is your youth in fifth grade or above and curious about baptism? This year's Pastor's Class will start on Sunday, Feb. 22 (time TBD), and run for six weeks to help youth prepare to make a decision about being baptized. This class is fun, interactive, and a great way for youth to learn about their faith. If your youth is interested in participating, let Kory know. Looking forward to another great class this year!

LENTEN SERMON SERIES

God's Playlist

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MARCH 1 | ♡ |
| ▶ | PSALM 46
MARCH 8 | ♡ |
| ▶ | PSALM 121
MARCH 15 | ♡ |
| ▶ | PSALM 150
MARCH 22 | ♡ |

We all have those favorite songs we listen to when we're feeling joyous or need to drown our sorrows. Maybe it's a classic rock anthem, a weepy ballad, or an orchestral movement. Did you know God has a playlist, too? The book of Psalms is a collection of 150 hymns and poems that reflect the gamut of emotions we feel as we live our life of faith. For our Lenten sermons, we'll be exploring some of the Psalms as a way of learning what it means to be in relationship with God.

LENTEN SUNDAY SCHOOL

For Sunday School during Lent, we'll be combining the adult classes to take a deeper look at some of the psalms from the Bible. While the sermons will give us a birds-eye view, in Sunday School we'll dive into particular psalms to understand them better. Join us at 9:30 AM in Chalice Hall as we spend time in this meaningful, mysterious book.

OPEN AND AFFIRMING TASK FORCE

Part of Crestwood's Faithful Plan is to explore the possibility of Crestwood becoming an Open and Affirming congregation. While Crestwood already strives to be welcoming to all, this designation would send a message to members of the LGBT+ community and their allies that they are safe, affirmed, and welcomed into the full life of Crestwood. Churches seeking this designation go through a congregation-wide process, and Crestwood is putting together a task force to explore that process. If you would like more information or are interested in serving on that task force, please let Kory know.



JOIN US FOR THE WALK FOR WARMTH

The Shalom Social Justice Team invites you to join them as they participate in the Lexington Rescue Mission's Walk for Warmth fundraiser.



The event will take place on Saturday, Feb. 21, at 10:00 AM at Calvary Baptist Church. The cost of registration is \$30. To register, [click here](#). We hope you'll join us as we walk to end homelessness!

LOVE OFFERING FOR STEPH WALLACE

We are so proud of Rev. Steph Wallace, who has been called to be the senior minister at Cadiz Christian Church in Western Kentucky! Steph and her family - Scott, Carter, and Clara - have been such a blessing to Crestwood and we want to honor them. We will be collecting a love offering to present to Steph on March 1, her last Sunday at Crestwood. If you would like to contribute, please make your check or online donation payable to Crestwood and put "Steph Love Offering" in the memo line. There will be a reception that day following each service. It has been such an honor to walk Steph's journey with her, from congregation member to youth ministry volunteer to student associate minister and, finally, to her graduation from seminary and ordination. She has been an invaluable gift to us and we are so excited for this next chapter in her ministry.

BE A GOOD SAMARITAN - GIVE BLOOD, GIVE HOPE

Share your life-giving blood with your neighbors in need. Between now and Valentine's Day, please consider donating blood at your local Kentucky Blood Center location. Handouts with more information are available in the narthex.



ADD YOUR GIFTS TO SUNDAY MORNING

Each Sunday, there are two ways you can participate in helping making our worship experience meaningful to all those who join us. First, our **Greeters** provide a friendly face and warm welcome to all who worship with us. Click this [link](#) to learn more about what's involved and how to sign up. Second, our **Liturgists** lead the congregation in the Call to Worship and read the first scripture (both of which are provided during the week before). To learn more and sign up, click this [link](#). Thanks for being a part of our team that helps make worship happen each Sunday!