

April 5, 2026

9:00 & 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 Since by Man Came Death, from *Messiah*  
I Corinthians 15: 21-22

Connecting with God

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: A new day has dawned!

**PEOPLE: This is the day the Lord has made.**

LEADER: The stone is rolled away and hope is reborn.

**PEOPLE: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

LEADER: We come to God's house to give praise.

**PEOPLE: We come to say, "Hallelujah!"**

LEADER: We don't understand it, we can't explain it, but we know...

**PEOPLE: ...Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed!**

\*HYMN 216 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today EASTER HYMN

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45)

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 2:1-11 Second Testament, pg. 197

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 Aria: If God Is for Us, Who Can Be Against Us? from *Messiah*  
Romans 8:34  
Mariah Graves, soprano  
Chorus: Worthy Is the Lamb and Amen, from *Messiah*  
Revelation 5:9, 12-14

Proclaiming God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 16:1-8 Second Testament, pg. 54

SERMON Afraid of Easter Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN 561 It Is Well with My Soul VILLE DU HAVRE  
(v. 1 and 4)

\*Please stand as you are able.

Responding to God's Word

INVITATION TO OFFERING

*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 Recitative: Then Shall Be Brought to Pass, from *Messiah*  
I Corinthians 15:54

Duet: O Death, Where Is Thy Sting? from *Messiah*  
I Corinthians 15:55-56  
Mariah Graves, Pharel Silaban

Chorus: But Thanks Be to God, from *Messiah*  
I Corinthians 15:57

\*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; OR Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FROM SCRIPTURE

SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP  
Aria: I Know That My Redeemer Liveth, from *Messiah*  
Job 19:26 and I Corinthians 15:20  
Grace Ashley, soprano  
*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 222 Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! W ZLOBIE LEZY

\*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE Hallelujah, from *Messiah* Revelation 11:15

POSTLUDE Christ is Risen! Hermann Schroeder

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**ORCHESTRA PERSONNEL**

**Violin**

Amanda Ellerbe  
Julie Foster  
Mary Elizabeth Henton  
Kristen Kline  
Julie Lastinger  
Amanda Milburn  
Gretchen Tucker

**Viola**

Nancy Campbell  
Heidi Morris  
Lauren Wright

**Cello**

Pono Santos Fike  
Rebecca Price

**Bass**

Sue Lucas

**Harpisichord**

Jane Johnson

**Trumpet**

Gabriel Curtis  
Olivia Passerini

**Tympani**

Aaron Jones

**APRIL MEN'S BREAKFAST**

We'll gather on Saturday, April 11, 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.

**ALL-CHURCH POTLUCK BAPTISM BREAKFAST**

Please join us for our all-church potluck baptism breakfast at 9:30 AM on Sunday, April 19. There will no Sunday school or first service that day. Come celebrate our kids as they take the next steps on their spiritual journey! Scan the QR code to sign up to bring a potluck dish or to volunteer.



**BAPTISM SUNDAY ON APRIL 19**

Please join us for worship on Baptism Sunday as we celebrate the culmination of our Pastor's Class and the baptism/confirmation of the youth who participated. Please note there will only be ONE SERVICE that day at 10:45 AM. That service will be preceded by an all-church breakfast at 9:30 AM (see article and signup on this page). We hope all of our church family will join together as we celebrate this important step in the life of faith for these youth.

**TIME TO REGISTER FOR CAMP WAKON' DA-HO**

Information for the 2026 camping season is now available on the Christian Church in Kentucky website at [www.ccinky.net/camp/wakon-da-ho/](http://www.ccinky.net/camp/wakon-da-ho/). All camp information can be found there, including registration links for each camp and a link for payment. Campers must pay when they register. Families can pay for more than one camp when providing their credit card information. The church still pays half of each camper's fee. Use this coupon code on the payment screen: CRESTLEX. **PLEASE register before May 1**, which is when the prices will increase. You can reach out to Missy Wallace with general questions about camp, including registration and payment.

**LET'S BUILD ANOTHER HABITAT FOR HUMANITY HOUSE!**

This year's homeowner is Charysia and her three daughters. They are so excited to get their new Habitat home! To make our 41st house a success, we need financial donations and volunteer workers. To make a contribution and help us reach our goal of \$23,333, please make out a check to Crestwood Christian Church with the word "Habitat" in the memo line.



For more information, including how to volunteer, please see The Crest and The Weekly.

**Joys and Concerns**

**MEMBERS:** Family of Alice Hays, family of Joan Stafford

**FAMILY:** **Deborah Arnold** (daughter-in-law of Tom and Billie Arnold), **Dennis Battles** (of the Battles and Shanklin families), **family of Larry Cisco** (uncle of Amy Stout), **Chris Jones** (cousin of Libby Wachtel), **family of Lorie Nevils** (cousin of Kory Wilcoxson)

**FRIENDS:** **Carl Cardwell** (of Jason Szaks), **Amanda Gaunce** (of Crestwood), **Don Granger** (of Tracy Lovan), **Lisa Jeter Hernandez** (of Karen Coultas), **Leo Holdcroft** (of Joanne Brown), **Becky Johnson** (of Campbell MacSwan), **Ken Osborne** (of Hunter Stout), **family of Michael Ott** (of Jason Szaks), **family of Julie Parsons** (of Libby Wachtel), **family of Amy Sanborn** (of Michelle DeLacey), **Carol Spence** (of Ward Ransdell), **Taylor Wood** (of Bob and Sice Shanklin)

**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), **Ariel Main** (friend of Libby Wachtel), **Tari Moore** (mother of Judy Moore), **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), **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 natural disasters, and for God's spirit of reconciliation to bring healing during these difficult times.

Today's Leaders	
<u>Deacons</u> 9:00 Kim & Laura Bryan 10:45 Ryan & Brianna Browning, TJ & Adrienne Strong	<u>Greeters</u> 10:45 Tony Shartle
<u>Elders</u> 9:00 Libby Wachtel 10:45 Andrea Nielsen	<u>Liturgists</u> 9:00 Katherine Steckler 10:45 Katherine Steckler

**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.

**Next Sunday**  
**Doubting Thomas**  
John 20:19-31  
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

**WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD**  
April 5, 2026

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Sunday, April 5 - EASTER SUNDAY**  
No Sunday School  
9:00 AM - Worship Service  
10:00 AM - Choir Practice  
10:45 AM - Worship Service
- Tuesday, April 7**  
9:00 AM - Library Team
- Wednesday, April 8**  
1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library
- Thursday, April 9**  
11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room  
6:00 PM - Finance Team - Bradford Room  
7:00 PM - Choir Practice
- Saturday, April 11**  
8:00 AM - Men's Breakfast - Bradford Room
- Sunday, April 12**  
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 - Chalice Hall  
12:00 PM - Social Justice Team - Bradford Room

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*If you ordered a tulip or lily, please take it home after the worship service today. Thank you for helping us decorate the sanctuary for this special day!*

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



**Afraid of Easter**

Mark 16:1-8

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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