

June 7, 2026

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) O Worship the King arr. Joel Raney
(10:45) All Glory Be to God on High Georg Philip Telemann

Connecting with God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: How majestic is our Creator God!

People: God created the heavens above and the earth below.

Leader: God created the flowers, the rocks, and the animals.

People: God created each and every one of us.

Leader: Who are we that God is mindful of us?

People: We are God's creation. We are God's children.

Leader: We come to this worship seeking new life.

People: We come to be resurrected through our faith in Christ.

*HYMN 100 When Morning Gilds the Skies LAUDES DOMINI

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 47 First Testament, pg. 518

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 I Want Jesus to Walk with Me arr. David Cherwien

Proclaiming God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 1:1-11 Second Testament, pg. 118

SERMON The Church in Action Sermon Series
The Ascension of Jesus Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

HYMN O Christ, When You Ascended *See text in bulletin*

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).

**Please stand as you are able.*

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

(8:30) I Know Whom I Have Believed arr. Matt Schinske
(10:45) Hail to Thee, Blessed Jesus Marcel Dupré

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise God, 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

(8:30) Yearning Mark Hayes
(10:45) Modal Elevation Dom Paul Benoit
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 231 Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us HOLY MANNA

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE May the Light of Christ Tom Fettke

POSTLUDE

(8:30) Praise Him! Praise Him! arr. Terry Osman
(10:45) Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious arr. Paul Manz

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VOICES OF APPALACHIA CONCERT

"Voices of Appalachia" ensemble, based in Adams County, Ohio, will be performing at Crestwood on this evening at 7:00 PM. The group is a community chamber ensemble that was established in 2024 by director Dr. Brandon Stroup to bring high-level choral performances to the region. Their concerts are free to the public with music that includes themes of hope, faith, and Appalachian culture. It will be a wonderfully enjoyable family-friendly concert with songs that many will recognize.

If you would like to support the ministries of Crestwood, please scan the QR code to the right to go to our secure "Give" page. Thank you for your generosity and support of God's work at Crestwood!



O CHRIST, WHEN YOU ASCENDED

O Christ, when you ascended, you took your rightful throne;
Your time on earth had ended — yet we weren't left alone.
You reign o'er earth and heaven; your Spirit guides our way.
Your prayers uphold your people; you lead your church each day.

It's often quite a challenge to follow in your Way;
We're easily distracted! It's hard, Lord, to obey.
Sometimes we give you Sundays — an hour, maybe two —
But your ascension means, Lord, all life belongs to you.

One day, O Lord, we'll know you, as we are fully known;
One day this world of sinners will bow before your throne.
One day, God's whole creation will sing and praise your name;
On earth as now in heaven, we'll celebrate your reign.

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REGISTER FOR VBS



Child registration

You can now register your child(ren) or register to volunteer for Vacation Bible School, which will be held July 20-23, by scanning the QR codes shown here. ***NEW FOR 2026*** Fall 2026 sixth graders may register as a volunteer or participant (pick one).



Volunteer registration

CAMPERS LOVE MAIL!

Drop a note or card of encouragement to our Crestwood campers! Mail should be addressed as follows:

Camper's Name, Week of Camp (i.e. Camp 101B)
Camp Wakon Da-Ho
7900 East KY 70, Yosemite, KY 42566

**The following youth will be at
CYF 1 Camp June 8-13:**
Kristan Hall
Anna Claire Pickrell
Carter Wallace
Rachel Wilkinson

**The following youth will be at
Eighters Camp June 14-20:**
Charlie Brandt
Clara Deerhake
Lauren Deerhake
Tucker Hall
Maelee Thompson

OPEN AND AFFIRMING TASK FORCE WOULD LIKE YOUR INPUT

In August 2025, our congregation adopted a Faithful Plan, which included a focus on "Intentional Inclusivity." To live that out, a task force was created to explore the possibility of Crestwood becoming an Open and Affirming congregation. This designation is for congregations that formally, publicly covenant to welcome and include LGBTQ+ individuals into all aspects of church life, including leadership and service.

To begin this process, the task force would like to get your thoughts on this issue to better guide us in educating the congregation and knowing how to move forward. Please take a moment to fill out this brief survey by scanning the QR code. We look forward to hearing from you!



Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Terry Fisher

FAMILY: Leon Hamm (grandson of Andrea Nielsen), Sandy Keith (daughter of Joanne Whiteker), Ara Lawrence (aunt of Michelle DeLacey)

FRIENDS: Verna Fairchild (of Libby Wachtel), family of Linda Poths (of Phoebe Wiley), Ann Smith (of Crestwood), family of Garland Thompson (of Monte LaFrana), Lee Weber (of Jill & Rick Sawyer)

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Suzy Campbell (of Libby Wachtel), Steve Combs (cousin of Libby Wachtel), the Cristi family (of Crestwood), Frank Dickey (of Crestwood), Jo Fulkerson, Jordan & Ginny Sue Hemphill (brother & sister-in-law of Monte LaFrana), Tari Moore (mother of Judy Moore), Linda Poths (of Phoebe Wiley), 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), 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, Earl Pfanstiel, 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.

WHAT'S COMING UP AT CRESTWOOD
June 7, 2026

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sunday, June 7 - *FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP***
 8:30 AM - Worship Service
 9:30 AM - Sunday School
 9:30 AM - Choir Practice
 10:45 AM - Worship Service
 12:00 PM - Social Justice Team - Bradford Room
 7:00 PM - Voices of Appalachia Concert - Sanctuary
- Tuesday, June 9**
 2:00 PM - Property Team
- Wednesday, June 10**
 1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library
- Thursday, June 11**
 11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room
 6:00 PM - Finance Committee - Bradford Room
- Sunday, June 14**
 8:30 AM - Worship Service
 9:30 AM - Sunday School
 9:30 AM - Choir Practice
 10:45 AM - Worship Service

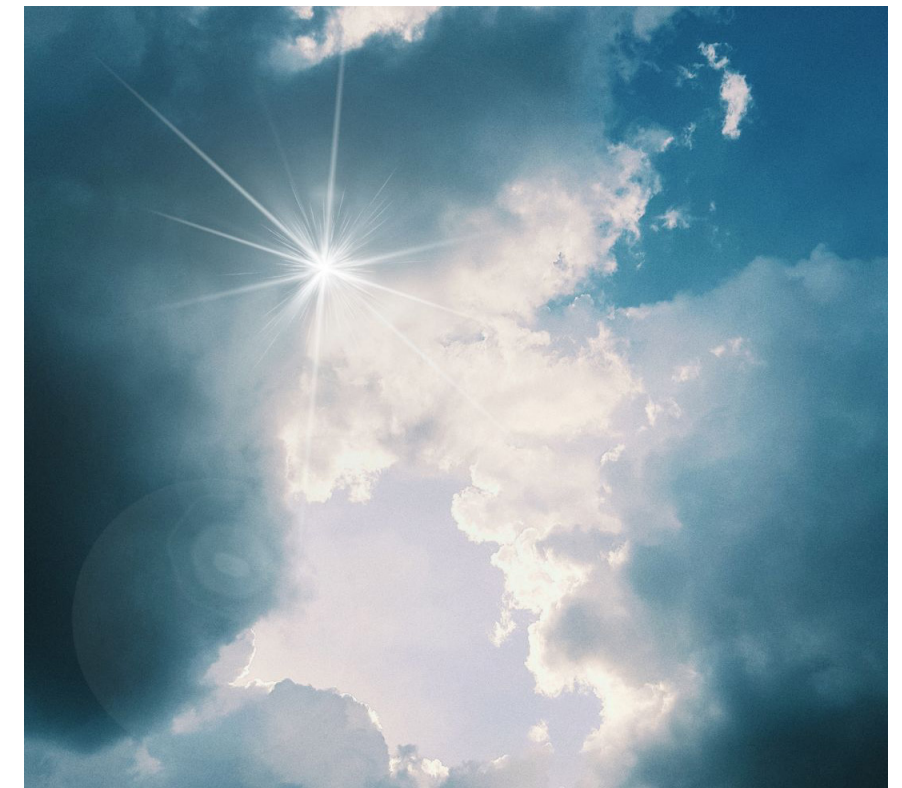
THE CHURCH IN ACTION SERMON SERIES

The book of Acts takes us from Jesus's ascension into heaven, through the giving of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, and into the spreading of the good news across the known world. This summer, we'll walk through this book together, learning how this upstart movement grew into a worldwide religion.

- June 14 - Acts 2:1-21 - The story of Pentecost
 June 21 - Acts 2:42-47 - A glimpse of the early church
 June 28 - Acts 5:27-32 - The stoning of Stephen
 July 5 - Acts 8:26-40 - Philip and the Ethiopian
 July 12 - Acts 9:1-20 - The conversion of Paul
 July 19 - Acts 9:36-42 - Peter heals Tabitha
 July 26 - Acts 10 - Cornelius and the Gentiles receiving the gospel
 August 2 - Acts 15 - The Jerusalem Council's decision
 August 9 - Acts 16:16-34 - Paul breaks out of prison
 August 16 - Acts 17:22-31 - Paul preaches in Athens

CHURCH STAFF

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| 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 |



The Church in Action
The Ascension of Jesus

Acts 1:1-11
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.

CRESTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Today's Leaders

Deacons

8:30 Kim & Laura Bryan
10:45 Ryan & Brianna Browning,
Beth Pickrell, David Thompson

Liturgists

8:30 Katherine Steckler
10:45 Dabney Parker

Elders

8:30 Harvey Thompson
10:45 Dabney Parker

Greeters

8:30 Lewis & Natalee Feese

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

The Church in Action
Sermon Series
The Story of Pentecost
Acts 2:1-21
Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson