

Property

Our Property Team is charged with taking care of our extensive facilities and grounds. This Team handles the day-to-day maintenance of the facility as well as work on long-term projects. They work with the various outside contractors to ensure the building is suitable for use and manage our utility usage. They also work with companies who provide all of our grounds maintenance and care.



World Outreach

The World Outreach Ministry Team works closely with many of our Disciples-related global agencies. Through giving to Week of Compassion and Church World Service, this ministry team ensures Crestwood's offerings provide care for disaster relief, refugee resettlement, and ongoing development needs, nationally and around the world. Facilitating annual mission trips, this team also provides direct service and learning opportunities as well. If you have a gift for global compassion, social justice, and caring for our neighbors around the world, then this ministry team would be a great place to serve.



How Do I Get Involved?

Now that you know about all the ministries Crestwood offers, how do you get involved? The first step would be to call one of the ministers to learn more about the team and who's leading it. You could also attend one of the events sponsored by the team (watch the Crest and Weekly for more information). You could also come to one of the team's meetings (the church calendar is in the bulletin each week). Each of us has been given a gift and called to use it. Use your gifts to connect people to God and each other at Crestwood Christian Church!



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Crestwood Christian Church Ministry Teams



Our Vision

Connecting People to God and Each
Other

Our Mission

Crestwood Christian Church connects people to God and each other by being a community that:

- Welcomes and accepts all people
- Invites questions about how faith and life intersect
- Encourages people to take the next step in their spiritual journey
- Cares for each other and the stranger, and
- Serves God through serving others.

Each one of the ministry teams at Crestwood works to fulfill our mission and vision to connect people to God and each other.



Welcome and
Accept All People

Fellowship

Relationships are built around tables, around a meal. The Fellowship Ministry Team plans church-wide events regularly throughout the year to help build relationships, to meet new people, and to talk with longtime friends. The Fellowship Team has planned events such as the Hamburger Cook-Off, the Halloween Party Chili Supper, and several themed luncheons after church. If you like to plan parties, engage in fellowship, and have fun, the fellowship team is the team for you!

Senior Adults

There's no reason the youngsters should have all the fun! Our SRO (Seniors, Retirees, and Others) group takes day trips in the area for lunch, shopping, and fellowship. Our Funch (Fun + Lunch) group gathers for games and conversations. If you like to stay active and spend time with people full of wisdom and spirit, join this team!

Worship

The Worship Ministry Team works together to provide all the necessary support for our regular Sunday morning worship services, as well as our many special worship services throughout the year. The Worship Team handles all seasonal decorations, including the special flowers that are provided during Advent and Lent. The team also works with the ministers to provide regular input on the quality of the worship experience. Our choir and music ministry fall under the Worship Team.

Invite Questions about How Faith and Life Intersect

Adult Education

The Adult Education Ministry Team seeks to nurture our love of learning and deepening of faith. This team supports our dynamic adult Sunday school classes, as well as creating engaging and substantive learning events throughout the year. This team also organizes small-group fellowship opportunities, like potluck suppers. If you have a passion for helping adults grow in their faith and for organizing small-group fellowship activities, then this ministry team would be a great fit.

Children's Ministry Team

The Children's Ministry Team is responsible for ensuring that all of our children are gaining a positive faith foundation in their earliest years. Programs sponsored by the CMT include the Nursery, Cherub and Children's Choirs, Children's Worship and Wonder, Sunday School, and Vacation Bible School. The CMT invites everyone with a passion for children to bring your creativity and experience to help our children grow as followers of Christ. Join the Children's Ministry Team and help to plant the seeds of faith in our children both now and for generations to come.

Youth

The Youth Ministry Team is committed to ministering to our middle and senior high school students, to engage them in the life of the congregation and beyond. The YMT plans fundraising and community events that are led by the youth. The YMT also helps ensure that our youth are engaged in mission projects through local service and summer mission trips. We help the youth learn the importance of living a good Christian life through weekly youth groups and Sunday School. If you have a passion for our youth and helping them grow in their faith, join the Youth Ministry Team!



Encourage People to Take the Next Step in Their Faith Journey

Disciples Men's Ministries

At our monthly men's breakfasts (the second Saturday of every month), we talk about everything under the sun, from UK basketball to local issues to scripture. No topic is off the table! Speaking of tables, we usually enjoy a fine breakfast to go along with our fellowship. All men are invited to join us!

Disciples Women's Ministries

This group of women provides opportunities for spiritual growth, enrichment, education, and creative ministries to enable women to develop a sense of personal responsibility for the mission of the church. Our four women's circles meet monthly for study, prayer, fellowship, and service. If you have a gift for service, teaching, study, and hospitality, then you will find a sense of belonging and purpose with one of our women's circles.

Library

The Library Ministry Team oversees our extensive collection of books, DVDs, and other materials. The Library (located just off of Chalice Hall) is filled with all kinds of books related to issues of faith and spirituality, as well as popular best-sellers, children's books, and puzzles. The Library Team also puts out several displays of books each month for the congregation to check out for free.

Stewardship

The Stewardship Team's role is to encourage the congregation to make good use of its time, talents, and treasure in service to God. The team runs a financial stewardship campaign each fall, inspiring the congregation to support the ministries of the church through financial pledges. In the spring, the team coordinates a time and talents campaign, in which

congregation members are encouraged to use their gifts by serving in various capacities within the church.

Technology

The Technology Team manages the multi-faceted ways that our congregation stays connected. The team oversees all the computers at the church, providing regular maintenance and upgrades. They also manage the church's internet service and wireless connectivity through the buildings. On Sunday mornings, team members take turns running the sound and video boards for our worship services.

Care for Each Other and the Stranger

Caregivers

The purpose of the Caregivers Team is to provide care, comfort, friendship, and food to those who are grieving, ill, homebound, or new members. The Caregivers coordinate meals for funerals and visitations, as well as host a reception for new members. The Caregivers also provide Holding Crosses for congregation members in crisis and oversee our Heart-to-Heart ministry for homebound members.

Heart-to-Heart

Heart-to-Heart inactive members live in their homes, in retirement or assisted living centers, or in long-term care facilities. Each active Heart-to-Heart Team member makes a phone call or visit to two or three inactive members every month in order to stay in touch, determine if there are needs, and let them know they are remembered by their church family. The Heart-to-Heart Team also sends a greeting card to each Heart-to-Heart member monthly.

Stephen Ministry

Our Stephen Ministry program provides care and compassion for congregation members going through difficult circumstances. Our Stephen Ministers go through extensive training in order to provide Christian companionship for people who are walking a difficult road. Stephen Ministers meet monthly for support and check-in.

Serve God Through Serving Others

Finance

The Finance Ministry Team is in charge of being good stewards of the church's financial resources. The team works with other Ministry Teams to prepare the annual operating budget and oversees the use of our restricted funds. The team also sets and updates policies related to how the church manages and spends money. The Finance Team seeks to be fiscally responsible while also staying attuned to God's call for the church.

Garden Club

Crestwood is blessed with a beautiful garden in our courtyard space, and we have a number of dedicated volunteers who help maintain the plants and flowers. Through their hard work, we are able to provide a tranquil space for times of rest, conversation, or meditation.

Local Outreach

The Local Outreach Ministry Team focuses upon the immediate needs and services of our local community. Focusing upon Fayette County, this team supports agencies and non-profits that provide direct services and meet the basic human needs of our neighbors. Through direct donation, the Local Outreach Team is a faithful steward of Crestwood's offerings. They also facilitate volunteering opportunities for Crestwood members. If you have a gift for volunteering, caring for our closest neighbors, and social justice, then use your gifts on the Local Outreach Team.

