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CHURCH CALENDAR

Tuesday, October 20

6:15 PM - DWM Deborah Circle - Bradford Room

Wednesday, October 21

10:00 AM - DWM Dorcas Circle - Bradford Room

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

7:00 PM - Ministry Council - Bradford Room

Thursday, October 22

11:00 AM - Bible Study - Bradford Room

7:00 PM - Choir Practice

Friday, October 23

11:30 AM - FUNCH - Blondell Chalice Hall

Saturday, October 24

4:30 PM - Youth Car Park

Sunday, October 25

8:30 AM - Worship Service

**No nursery during 8:30 service*

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

4:00 PM - Halloween Bash and Chili Cook-Off -
Blondell Chalice Hall and McDonald
Mission Center

HALLOWEEN CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED!

Our youth need some Halloween candy for our Halloween Bash on Oct. 25. If anyone is able to donate some bags of individually-wrapped candy in the donation bins located in the children's wing and breezeway, it would be greatly appreciated!



FUNCH = FUN + LUNCH AND YOU ARE INVITED!

Please plan to join us this Friday, Oct. 23 at 11:30 AM in Blondell Chalice Hall for our next FUNCH gathering. Come be part of wonderful conversation, delicious food, and laughter! We enjoy fellowship time over a potluck lunch, then play BINGO for prizes! ALL ARE WELCOME!



THE WEEKLY

OCTOBER 20, 2026

Sunday, October 25

The B-I-B-L-E Sermon Series

The Authority of the Bible

2 Timothy 3:10-16

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

**Crestwood Christian Church
Youth Groups invite you to our 2026
HALLOWEEN BASH & CHILI COOK-OFF!**
Sunday, Oct. 25 4:00-6:00 PM
**McDonald Mission Center &
Blondell Chalice Hall**

Adults, bring a pot of your best chili! There is a trophy for the winner, which will be decided by our youth judges.

All chili should be brought to Blondell Chalice Hall by 4:00 PM.

If you want to participate in the Chili Cook-off or help with any other food items, please sign up [here](#).

Kids, wear a costume and bring a bag to collect candy and prizes! There will also be games and bouncy houses in the gym, so invite your friends and come join the fun! *Trick-or-treating will begin at approximately 5:15-5:30 PM in the Mission Center.*

PRIME OF LIFERS GAME NIGHT

Join the Prime of Life group on Oct. 30, where we will have game night from 6:30 to 9:00 PM in the admin wing of the church. Bring a favorite game and some spooky drinks and snacks as we have fun getting to know each other and building community!



Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: Family of Debbie Gardner, loved ones of Ray Ware

FAMILY: Family of John W. Collins (brother of Susan Schell), Patricia Finger (mother of Joanne Brown), Roxie “Mamaw” Lee (grandmother of Travis Bryant), Reeves family (cousins of Jennifer Bryant)

FRIENDS: Kate Fortune (of Libby Wachtel), Christine Hartsellers (of Robert Wine), Libby Messer (of Linda Ransdell), Terri Rowland (of Mandy Deerhake), Matthew Spoonamore (of Matt and Michelle DeLacey)

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Suzy Campbell (of Libby Wachtel), Steve Combs (cousin of Libby Wachtel), the Cristi family (of Crestwood), Anna Grace Day (cousin of Libby Wachtel), Eva Dennis (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), Riley Owens (of Jeanne Jouett), Rex (of Jeanne Jouett), Sally (of Ann Kingsolver), 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 the Gardners), Tristan Bowman (nephew of the Gardners), 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 recent natural disasters, and for God’s spirit of reconciliation to bring healing during these difficult times.

SENIORS, RETIREES, AND OTHERS— SRO TRAVELERS

This month’s SRO trip has been **rescheduled** for Wednesday, Oct. 28. There are still seats available, so join us if you are interested! We will be visiting the Aviation Museum of Kentucky



located next to Blue Grass Airport for a guided tour. Afterward, we will head to the Track Kitchen at Keeneland for lunch. The cafeteria-style restaurant is well known for its menu. In the afternoon, we plan on visiting the Lexington History Museum in town, and if not too tired, stop at Pope Villa—also known as Latrobe House—for a guided tour and lots of information about this historic house. The house is historic for its architectural design and architect Benjamin Henry Latrobe, America’s first architect. Please call Jeanette Knowles at 859-554-5204 (landline) or email jeanettevalerie@gmail.com to get a seat on the bus. If no seats are available, you may drive your car and meet us at the places we visit.

THANK YOU CRESTWOOD!

Thanks to all those who came out to work on cleaning up the church grounds on Saturday, Oct. 10. The places we were able to work on before the rain look so much better now! We are grateful for your hard work!

THANK YOU FOR GIVING BACK TO YOUR COMMUNITY

Crestwood shared their time and talents and gave back to our community in a big way this past month! More than 68 individuals volunteered over 118 total hours at nine different community partners in our two-week Community Give Back drive. Some individuals volunteered at more than one event. Others remain connected with local organizations where they served during our Spring outreach event. Rooms and fences were painted, apples gleaned, files and clothes organized, kitchens cleaned, a playground was cleaned and refurbished/restocked, hands massaged, and gardening/yard work done. In addition, 157 meals were served and 57 coats for children, youth and adults were donated. Most importantly, connections were made with those we met as we shared the Grace and Love of Christ with our neighbors in need.

HYMN SING NOVEMBER 1

Join us as we sing favorite hymns together on Sunday, Nov. 1, from 4:00-5:00 PM in the sanctuary. Cindy Abernathy will accompany us, Jim Abernathy

will lead the singing, and YOU will pick the hymns! Click [here](#) to register your favorite hymn or use the hymn survey you can pick up with your bulletin and drop it in the offering plate. We need to know your favorites by Oct. 25!



MINISTRY APPRECIATION MONTH

October is Ministry Appreciation Month, so we want to take time to appreciate the hardworking staff at Crestwood! Each October Weekly will feature a few of our employees. Today, we celebrate our music staff:

Name: Jane Johnson, organist

Years at Crestwood: 26 years

Favorite part of the job: Helping people worship through music

Favorite food: Anything chocolate

Favorite trip: Hard to say, since I've been blessed to go so many places, but it would most likely involve the British Isles, particularly Isle of Skye and Lincoln in the United Kingdom. Iceland was pretty cool, too.

Name: Cindy Abernathy, pianist

Years at Crestwood: 5 years

Favorite part of the job: I love using my talent playing hymn arrangements that touch people's hearts

Favorite food: Anything that contains chocolate

Favorite trip: River cruise on the Rhine

Name: Frank Spragens, music director

Years at Crestwood: 20 years

Favorite part of the job: Choir rehearsal

Favorite trip: Family summer vacation

Name: Rhiannon Collins, children's music director

Years at Crestwood: This is my second year with children's music this time around. I also worked with the children before and during COVID times, and I've been attending Crestwood since 2013!

Favorite part of the job: Helping kids use the gift of music for worship!

Favorite food: Chips and salsa

Favorite trip: Disney World

LITURGISTS NEEDED

Lend your voice to our worship services! We're looking for liturgists for both services on Sunday morning. The liturgist leads the congregation in the Call to Worship and reads the first scripture (both of which are provided during the week before). We'd love to have you be part of leading worship on Sunday, so please sign up. No previous experience necessary! Click this [link](#) to volunteer.



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!



BLESSING BOX VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Each week, our Blessing Box is replenished daily by faithful volunteers who make sure the cabinet is well-stocked for our community. We are currently in need of someone who can come by the church on Mondays to check the Blessing Box and add any items that might be running low. We keep supplies on hand, so no shopping is required! If you are interested in participating in this ministry, please reach out to Kelly Hale.

HELP SUPPORT OUR BLESSING BOX

Crestwood has its own food pantry - the Blessing Box! Every day, hungry folks are able to take the food they need to feed themselves and their families. The Blessing Box is utilized heavily and we are struggling to keep up with the need.

Won't you please help us out by picking up a few supplies to donate?



Items can be left in the admin wing. Here are the nonperishables we need most:

- Canned fruit
- Canned vegetables
- Canned soup
- Canned refried or pinto beans
- Peanut butter
- Dry spaghetti
- Canned tomato sauce
- Instant oatmeal packets
- Canned tuna (in water) and Vienna sausages
- Chef Boyardee Ravioli and Beefaroni
- Macaroni and cheese

REMINDER:

Crest articles are due to Jennifer at office@crestwoodchristian.org by this Friday, Oct. 23