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Crestwood Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Celebrating a Fifty-Year Journey of Faith

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JANUARY 11, 2009

Worship

8:30 & 10:45am

9:30am Church School

Scripture

Mark 1:4-11

Sermon

"Lines"

By Tim Murtaugh

EXCITEMENT BUILDS FOR THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION ON JANUARY 25!

About a hundred people have already placed their reservations for Crestwood's **Fiftieth Anniversary Homecoming Luncheon**, which will be held in the Mission Center Gym after the 10:45 service on January 25th. If you haven't placed a reservation, please call the church office or fill out the reservation form that will appear in the worship bulletin again this Sunday. The entire event is free, but we need a reliable head-count as soon as possible. It's **your** birthday party, and it won't be nearly as much fun without **you!**

We will also celebrate our anniversary in **both** of the regular worship services on the 25th, although some special things will occur only during the 10:45 service. All members are encouraged to attend the service of their choice, and to bring along their families and friends for a very meaningful worship experience.

If you were able to attend worship last Sunday, you already know that our Transitional Minister, Dr. Tim Murtaugh, is an outstanding preacher. He plans to deliver a special sermon at **both** services on the 25th, drawing inspiration from the first sermon to the congregation in 1959. Now, as then, we are looking to the future, and it will be exciting to hear Tim deliver a message that serves as "a lamp unto our feet."

At **both** services, our very own Katherine Steckler will sing "*Journey of Faith*," the hymn she has written especially for our anniversary. Simple and beautiful, but filled with meaning, it is a wonderful anthem for our congregation at this time in our history. We may sing it together on other occasions in the year ahead, but you won't want to miss the chance to hear Katherine sing it herself on the 25th!

During the **Sunday School hour**, there will also be a short Communion Service in the gym at Glendover Elementary School. Everyone is invited, and all Sunday School classes are encouraged to consider the idea of attending that service, as a unique "Sunday School lesson" on that special day.

We worshipped in the Glendover gym for one hundred Sundays, from 1959 until 1961, while Hopper Hall was under construction. Warren Rogers, a charter member of Crestwood, has graciously agreed to preside over the special service at Glendover that will commemorate that time in our history. He will tell the remarkable story of how our church began, followed by a re-creation of the communion service that launched our congregation in the gym on January 25, 1959. It will be a rewarding journey to the time and place of our birth, and our destination is right across the street!

So ... if you've got a head cold, take your medicine! If you're out of town, come home if you can! This is our **golden** anniversary, and we have much to celebrate as we reflect upon a fifty-year journey of faith — a faith that is alive and well and living in Crestwood Christian Church.

~ Ben Cowgill, 50th Anniversary Chair

DR. EVERETT MCCORVEY GUEST SOLOIST FOR 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Dr. Everett McCorvey, tenor, is a native of Alabama. He received his degrees from the University of Alabama, including a Doctorate of Musical Arts. He is Director of Opera at UK. He has performed in many cities around the world and theaters across the country, including the Metropolitan Opera, the Kennedy Center, Aspen Music Festival, Blossom Music Festival, Whitewater Opera Company, Radio City Music hall, Birmingham Opera Theater, Teatro Comunale in Florence, Italy, Queen Elizabeth Hall in London, England, as well as other performances. He is a tenor soloist on 2 CD recordings conducted by maestro Julius Williams. As a recitalist, Dr. McCorvey has given concerts, master classes and workshops throughout the US, Europe and Asia with his wife, soprano Alicia Helm. Dr. McCorvey is the founder and Music Director of the American Spiritual Ensemble. They will be performing in "Our Lincoln" at Kennedy Center, Washington, D.C. on Monday, February 2, 2009. It is an honor to have him with us as a guest soloist for the 10:45 worship service and part of the Tenth Anniversary Celebration for Colette Hensley. A reception will be held in Chalice Hall, following the service.



AND THE LORD ADDED

Josh Adams joined Crestwood on Sunday, December 28, 2008. Josh resides here in Lexington at 1445 Saddle Club Way, 40504. He is employed at UPS and enjoys watching or playing sports in his spare time. Let's welcome Josh as a new member of our family here at Crestwood!

Parish News

HOSPITALS:

Doris Hightower - St. Joe
Chris Taylor - Central Baptist
Bill Hainsworth - St. Joe East
Bob Bryan - Central Baptist

BIRTHDAYS:

JAN 11- Don Wakefield, Rick nunnelley, Tim Hendrickson 12- John Royse 13- Alex Setzer, Charlotte Kessinger 14- Donald Buckley, Barbara Hahn 16- Carolyn Clark, Tommy Lyne 17- Henry Kinser, Susan Wallace

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Members- *Catherine Broadus, *Bob Bryan, Mike Cooper, Buddy Cowgill & Family, Cal Fulkerson, Sara Gretz & Family, Ann Hager, Chester Hager, *Bill Hainsworth & Family, Keeley Hollingsworth, Betty Johnson, Amy Maupin, Maude Noel, John Royse & Carolyn Floyd & Family, *Chris Taylor, Peggy Young

Family of Members- Anne & David Bogart, Linda Compton, Mike DeVore, *Mildred DeVore, Betsy Fishback, Ann Royse Gold, *Tanya Grayson, Janean Johnson, Paul Johnson, Albert Kimball, Dorothy Lemerand, Gene Lovan, Theresa Ostrander, Cindy Smithers, David Stokely, Betsy Tumeay & Family, Albert Varble, *Ron Witt

Friends of Members- Tricia Beard, Caroline Bloomfield, Family of Stephanie Diehl, Mary Dyster & Family, *Tom Kincaid, *Family of Steve Littrell, *Chris & Adrienne McClellan, Lori Wells

Armed Forces- Dan Carman, Austin Cheek, Curtis Flood, Joe Phelps, Patrick Ritter, Rocky Shapla, Brad Stone

Our Global Mission Partners & Our World Community

STEWARDSHIP & ATTENDANCE

January 4, 2008

Contributions:

Pledges & Offering	\$11,580.70
Capital Campaign	\$224.00

Attendance:

Church School	76
Worship & Wonder	19
8:30 am Worship	75
10:45 am Worship	243
Total Worship	318

A NOTE FROM TIM

by Tim Murtaugh

Thank you all for such a warm welcome last Sunday. I enjoyed meeting so many of you as we begin the process of getting to know one another. Please feel free to contact me. I carry a cell phone (859-948-3435) and my e-mail address is timmurtaugh@hotmail.com. Many of you have asked about my housing situation. I have rented a condominium on Redding in a community called The Oaks. It seems ideal for my needs, as it is only about five minutes from the church.

CELEBRATION OF COLETTE HENSLEY'S TENTH ANNIVERSARY

This Sunday, January 11, 2009, Crestwood will celebrate and recognize Colette Hensley's tenth anniversary of serving our congregation. During the worship service on that day, we will recognize her and then a reception will follow the service in Chalice Hall. Members can bring cards of best wishes for Colette to the office or we will have a basket available to collect these at the reception. Please put January 11 on your calendar and plan to be present to recognize Colette.

THIS SUNDAY IS ORDINATION OF ELDERS

Three new elders will be ordained on Sun, Jan 11, 2009. They are: Elaine Carman, Judy Derrickson and Mary Ann Miller. Please join us at the 10:45 worship service to be a part of this special time in the life of the church and these individuals.

NEW CLASS ON THE EARTH TO BEGIN THIS SUNDAY

All Crestwood adults – visitors and members – are invited and encouraged to attend a special, three-week class, entitled, "All That is Therein: How Do We Use the Earth's Resources?" Beginning this Sunday, January 11th, and concluding on January 18th, this informative class, led by Glen Hughes, will explore the care of God's creation and the utilization of the Earth's natural resources, which God has placed in our care. We'll discuss the use of fossil fuels, renewable energy sources, global warming, and particularly mountaintop removal mining and its effects on the environment and the people of Appalachia. Glen will present slides and videos, as well as lead the discussions. This class is sponsored by the Shalom/Social Justice Committee, which is planning a trip to a mountaintop removal site in March. Each session will begin at 9:30am, and take place in the Seekers classroom. Grab a donut and coffee, and join us this Sunday. See you then!

WORSHIP VISITORS

Charles Adams, Larry & Ethel Blevins, Karen Curry, Brian & Melissa Dickey, Kim Gibson, Alex Manning, Lisa Rogers, Travis Scott, Sims Family, Todd Family, Mona Wheeler

If you know someone who visited this week, please give them a call and invite them back to Crestwood.

DEACONS SCHEDULED TO SERVE THIS SUNDAY

8:30 Service: Dan Pence, Sylvia Griffin

10:45 Service: Mike Harris, Christy Harris, Carolyn Floyd, Ann Yocum, Warren Perez, Tim Fulkerson, Ed Richardson, Chrystal Schoeder, Katherine Steckler, Bill Johnson

Saturday Set-Up: Warren Perez

Sunday Clean-Up: Warren Perez, Ed Richardson, Ann Yocum, Tim Fulkerson



TRACY TAKES ON

by Tracy Siegman

I'm out for blood! Just a pint! Crestwood is hosting a blood drive on Sunday, January 18, 2009 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm in the Arts & Crafts room in the Mission Center.

Giving blood saves lives – it's also healthy for you! *Parade Magazine* recently published "8 Ways to Stay Healthy", an article by Dr. Mark Liponis, which cites a Scandinavian study of more than one million blood donors. This study found that giving blood was linked to lower risks of cancer – risk dropped as blood donation increased. Donating blood may also reduce the risk of heart

disease in men.

Did you know? One pint of blood can save three lives by red blood cell, plasma, and platelet transfusions. 90% of us will need a blood transfusion in our lifetime. The Kentucky Blood Center supplies 67 hospitals with 400 pints of blood per day. The need for blood is increasing at a rate of 6%.

Did you know that less than 5% of eligible donors donate blood on a regular basis? I figure that more than 300 eligible donors will be in worship on January 18, so I've set a goal for 26 pints. That's about 10% of eligible donors worshipping at Crestwood, but I know you're a generous church. Give blood – you'll have someone's undying gratitude!

Tracy

MISSION CENTER LOAN	
Original construction loan	\$1,150,000.00
Loan balance as of 12/21/2008:	\$723,704.18

REQUEST FOR DEACON SERVING SHEETS

Warren Perez has mailed all of the deacons, returning and new, a form to be filled out. Please return it with your specific requests for serving. January is covered and Warren will complete the rest of the year with the forms you give him. Please return them promptly to the office or the basket in the Narthex.

REQUEST FOR EMAIL ADDRESSES

If you have changed your e-mail address recently, please notify the church so that we can send your communications to the appropriate place. We will also need the addresses of people who are newly elected officers, ministry team chairs, elders and deacons. This will help us to efficiently process our meeting notifications and other schedules, etc. Thanks for your attention to this matter.

NEW STUDY IN THE ANCHOR CLASS

The Anchor Class starts the New Year with a new study, *Journey to the Center of Faith*, with a new teacher, Tim Murtaugh. Everyone is invited to join us in this journey.

We will be studying *Journey to the Center of Faith: An Explorer's Guide to Christian Living* by James Harnish. "This book talks about the Christian faith in ways that connect with people who are searching for a clear center to their faith. As Harnish describes it, we are all ordinary people on an extraordinary journey toward a center that will hold true, a life-giving center defined by faith in god revealed through Jesus Christ."

Tim Murtaugh will be teaching the first chapter this Sunday, January 11. Please join us for a lively discussion starting with "Getting to Know Christ." The Anchor Class meets in the Mission Center and welcomes you to come when you can and stay as long as you want.

BRADFORD CLASS STUDY SCHEDULE

January scriptures and topics for the Bradford Sunday School Class will cover themes related to the season on Epiphany.

*January 11th – Mark 1:4-11, Baptism

*January 18th – Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18, Known and Loved by God

*January 25th – Mark 1:14-20, Drop Your Nets and Follow Me

Each session will begin at 9:30, in the Bradford room. Join us for this informative study on the scriptures of Epiphany.

GYM RECEIVES NEW COAT OF PAINT

Drop by the Mission Center gymnasium sometime and you might notice something different. The gym walls, window frames, door frames, and one of the hallway walls received a much needed coat of paint over the holiday break.

This was made possible thanks to a very generous donation from the Glendover/Crestwood youth basketball league, who uses our facilities for games and practice. Mickey Head, the director, arranged for this to be done and offered to pay a significant portion of the cost. *Many thanks to Mickey and the league for this donation.*

DOC SNOW TUBING

On Monday, January 19 all college age kids are invited to go to Perfect North for a day of Snow tubing. We will be leaving at 8am and the cost is \$20 per person.

Come have a day of Fun with us!

BOOK GROUP TO MEET JANUARY 26

The book for this meeting is "Cold Sassy Tree" by Olive Anne Burns. Martha Seithers will facilitate our discussion of this novel. Hostess for our meeting is Colette Hensley at 724 Rose Hurst Way. Please feel free to join us at the beginning of this New Year. We will also be discussing our choices for the rest of 2009. If you have suggestions, please contact Sheri Shaver at sheri.shaver@insightbb.com.

Children's Happenings

CCF

(5 year old - Kindergarten)
12:15 pm

January 18: Lesson book & Games

February 1: Game Day @ Church

PJYF

(1st - 2nd grade)
12:15 pm

January 11: Games, Devotion & Craft

January 18: Games & Devotion

January 25: NO GROUP;
50th Anniversary Celebration & Luncheon

JYF

(3rd - 5th grade)
12:15 pm

January 11: Games, Devotion & Cards

January 18: Craft, Games & Devotion

January 25: NO GROUP;
50th Anniversary Celebration & Luncheon

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

Cherub Choir

Sunday Mornings 9:30-9:50 AM

For all 3 years old through Kindergartners

Angel Choir

Sunday Afternoons 12 PM (time may change)

For all 1st-5th graders.

On Sunday we will ring in the New Year by
playing *Name That Tune!*

Youth Happenings

Chi-Rho:

(6th-8th Grade)
12:15-2:00 pm

January 11: Games & Devotion

January 18: MLK Jr. Service @ Central Christian Church

January 25: No Group; 50th Anniversary Celebration & Luncheon

CYF:

(9th-12th Grade)
12:15-2:00 pm

January 11: Dinner & Movie @ 4pm

January 18: MLK Jr. Service @ Central Christian Church

January 25: No Group; 50th Anniversary Celebration & Luncheon

YOUTH CHOIR

On Sundays from 12-12:30pm in the Choir Room

SNACK LUNCH

Every Sunday starting at 12:15pm in the Arts & Crafts Room. Cost is \$2.00 a person and families are invited to come and eat together. Please Make Reservations by Friday with Mike McColl.

January 11: PJYF/JYF/Chi-Rho

January 18: CCF/PJYF/Chi-Rho/CYF

January 25: NO Snack Lunch; 50th Anniversary Celebration

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Sunday, January 11: ALL 9-12 graders wishing to go on the Costa Rica Experience Trip, MUST have their forms turned in TODAY!

Sunday, January 18: ALL 6-12 graders going to the Perfect North Ski Trip, MUST have their forms turned in TODAY!

Sunday, January 25: ALL 6-8 graders going on the Heifer Project Ranch Trip, MUST have their forms and \$125 turned in TODAY!

CELL PHONE AND INK JET PRINTER CARTRIDGE RECYCLING FUND RAISER:



The Youth are collecting used cell phones and empty ink jet printer cartridges. A collection box is in the Narthex or feel free to leave them outside of Mike's Office.

TOOLS OF HOPE/BLANKET SUNDAY ~ JANUARY 18

For over 60 years, Church World Service has worked in partnership with local communities to identify their needs and access the resources they need to build the foundation for a more viable future, including:

- **Blankets, tents, food** and other emergency supplies in the wake of a disaster
- **Tools and seeds** for refugees returning home to replant their fields
- **Wells** for families living in drought prone areas to provide clean, safe water to drink and to irrigate crops and gardens
- **Literacy training and microcredit** for women struggling to realize their potential.

On Sunday, January 18, Crestwood will collect this annual special offering for Church World Service, which they are now calling the "Blankets+ Program". Only \$5 will purchase a blanket that can provide warmth or a roof for a refugee or disaster victim, or can help provide other services and resources to those in need. Please plan to participate in this worthwhile event, sponsored by Disciples Women's Ministries and World Outreach.

DWM JANUARY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY Lighthouse Ministries

The Lighthouse Ministries, Inc. is a non-profit corporation serving people with three separate ministries designed to meet the practical and spiritual needs of those in crisis situations, resulting in "**changed lives for a lifetime**". Begun in 1993 as a ministry to feed the homeless and needy of the Lexington area, the vision of The Lighthouse expanded in 1994 to include residential homes providing Bible based training in response to individual needs. The Nehemiah House is a crisis induction home providing a 6-12 month program for men 18 and over with life-controlling problems. Rachel House is a refuge for women and children suffering from abuse, poverty, or life-controlling problems.

This month when you go shopping, pick up some items to bring to the church to share with this ministry. You can place them in the labeled blue DWM totes just inside Chalice Hall. We are collecting items that they need on an ongoing basis, such as:

- Canned fruits, vegetables, soups, stews, chili beans, diced tomatoes, tomato sauce
- Canned tuna, salmon, chicken, lunch meat
- Mixes - sloppy joe, cake mix, frosting, brownie, pancake
- Dry beans, crackers, peanut butter, potato chips, snacks
- Condiments - ketchup, mustard, relish, mayonnaise, ranch dressing, BBQ sauce
- Coffee, creamer packets, sugar packets
- Paper plates (dinner & dessert sizes), paper bowls, paper cups, plastic eating & serving utensils, serving gloves
- Cleaning supplies - lysol, bleach, washing powder, rubber gloves, paper towels, etc.
- Hats, gloves, scarves, underwear, socks, T-shirts, and blankets and books

Thanks for your help. Sheri Shaver and Fran Allen, DWM Service co-chairs

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The population of our Heart to Heart group is increasing. Therefore, we need more people who would be willing to make one call a month and come to one meeting per month. These calls are intended to be a part of the support system of our pastoral ministry at Crestwood. The monthly meeting helps us all to keep up with changes in condition that might occur from month to month. Thank you for your consideration of this ministry. If you are unable to participate in person, please consider praying for our ministry as it continues in service to Crestwood.

STEPHEN MINISTRY UPDATE

There will be a very important organizational meeting for all Stephen Ministers on Thursday, January 22, at 2pm in the Faith Room. This meeting is for all Stephen Ministry caregivers to meet together for peer supervision and scheduling for the spring and summer meetings. If you cannot make it please call or email one of the leaders and let them know.

What a joy it was to commission our newest class last month. The current Stephen Ministry team now includes Carlene Adams, Billie Arnold, Tom Arnold, Susan Brown, John Browning, Judy Browning, Peggy Falace, Martha Featherston, Dee Forster, Donna Gibson, Cal Grayson, Doris Hightower, and Sue Michael. We also want thank Diane Witherspoon as she leaves Crestwood's Stephen Ministry team and wish her well in her new home and job in Louisville. Crestwood's Stephen Leaders are Colette Hensley, Carolyn Floyd, and Carol Rogers.

Please do not hesitate to ask for help any time you feel you need some support and care in your life. We are ready to be there for you. Call one of the leaders if you need to speak to us about care receiving. Happy New Year and blessings to all.

HELP, HELP, HELP

Copies of the proposed 2009 Directory will be available in the Narthex on Sunday, January 11 through Sunday, February 1. PLEASE check your name, address, phone numbers and emails to ensure that we have accurate information! *Thank you!*

PARENTS OF YOUNG ADULTS~SUPER BOWL PARTY

Our Super Bowl Party will be held at the home of Sonny & Donna Wray on Sunday, February 1. Please make plans to join us!

Thank You

THANK YOU! What a way to celebrate Christmas Eve. First, Colette came after the Christmas Eve service and shared the bulletin of the service with us at St. Joseph Hospital. After returning home five days later, Crestwood members gave food, prayers, phone calls, and cards to help me recovery from a diabetic coma and double pneumonia. What a blessing from you to start 2009. I needed you and you were here! Thank you for being the Church.

Catherine Broadus

Thank you so much for graciously hosting our winter vocal recital. It was truly a wonderful event.

Laura Gabbard, SCAPA Lafayette

WORSHIP FLOWERS

*The red rose is in honor of Mike & Heather McColl's
new baby girl, Sarah Ann*

The white rose is in memory of Tynia Cowgill

Dates available to order flowers are:

Sunday, January 11: 1 arrangement available

Sunday, January 18: 2 arrangements available

To reserve your order date, please sign up on the Flower Calendar in the North Hallway or call the church office. Thank you!

CRESTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Church School — 9:30 AM
Worship — 8:30 & 10:45 AM
Youth Programs — 12:15PM

CHURCH STAFF

Dr. Tim Murtaugh, Senior Minister
Rev. Cyd Cowgill, Minister

of Adult Ministries

Rev. Colette Hensley, Minister
of Nurture

Rev. Mike McColl, Minister
of Children & Youth

Tracy Siegman, Community
Ministry Intern

Kelli Whalen, Administrative Asst.

Laura Kaczmarek, Administrative Asst.

Martha Duttlinger, Children's Music
Director

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