



THE CREST



Crestwood Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Celebrating a Fifty-Year Journey of Faith

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MARCH 1, 2009

Worship

8:30 & 10:45am

9:30am Church School

Scripture

Mark 1:9-15

Sermon

"The Wilderness"

By Tim Murtaugh

LENT 2009 ~ A HOLY LAND TOUR

SUNDAY SERMONS BY TIM MURTAUGH

March 1	Lent 1	Mark 1:9-15 "The Wilderness"
March 8	Lent 2	Mark 8:31-38 "Caesarea Philippi"
March 15	Lent 3	John 2:13-22 "Jerusalem in the Temple"
March 22	Lent 4	John 3:14-21 "Jerusalem at Night"
March 29	Lent 5	John 12:20-33 "Bethany"
April 5	Palm Sunday	Mark 11:1-11 "Mount of Olives"
April 9	Maundy Thursday	John 13:1-17 "The Upper Room"
April 10	Good Friday	John 18:1-19:42 "Golgotha"

USHER TRAINING

This Sunday, March 1, Usher training will take place in the Sanctuary after **both** worship services. All Ushers are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

RACHEL DWM GROUP

Will meet Sunday, March 1 at 12:15pm in the Bradford Room for Salad Lunch. See you there!

ALL VETERANS FELLOWSHIP

Join us on Wednesday, March 11 at 7pm in Chalice Hall for a Fellowship Meeting. All Veterans are encouraged and invited to attend. Hope to see you there!

NEVER TOO LATE

It is never too late to get stronger and more flexible. Come join us in the Administration Wing on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 for a **yoga class**. There is no charge and all you need to bring is a yoga mat. Debbie Gardner is our able leader and all are welcome. Call Sice Shanklin at 276-1937 or email at missusu@aol.com with any questions.

CYD COWGILL TO LEAD LENTEN STUDY

What is Lent? How did it develop? And how do we "celebrate" it? On March 1st, the first Sunday in Lent, Cyd will lead a five-week, Sunday morning study on the topic of Lent. The class will meet in the Bradford room at 9:30am. We'll cover some history, some info on Lenten symbols and themes, and we'll also consider a possible spiritual "roadmap" to follow as a way of meaningfully preparing for Easter. If you know nothing about Lent, or would like to learn more, join us in the Bradford room, beginning Sunday, March 1. All Crestwood adults, visitors and members, are encouraged to attend.

LENTEN SERIES FOR SANCTUARY CHOIR MEMBERS

Beginning on Sunday, March 1, the Sanctuary choir will have a study series which will begin at 9:30am and end at 10:00am for the regular Sunday rehearsal schedule. The gathering place will be the choir room. We will have a Bible study on the book of Mark. Please take some time and read the whole book before March 1. If you have any questions, please see Colette Hensley.

HAVE YOU BEEN ON A MISSION TRIP?

The World Outreach Ministry Team is doing a little research. They plan to tie their findings in with our 50 year anniversary celebrations. So, if you have gone on a Mission Trip in the past 50 years, let us know! Please include your name and the location & date you visited. You may contact Kelli in the Church Office (266-0459 or crstwood@iglou.com) or Monte LaFrana (mhlafrana@insightbb.com). We look forward to hearing from you!

Parish News

BIRTHDAYS:

MAR 1- Don Falace, Tyra Hellard, Mimi Leet, Dannelle Williams 2- Dave Sawyer, Roy Madden, Ethan Richardson 3- Roger Lane 4- Suann Reece, Jackson McCann, Dory McDonald, Lauren Williams 5- Cherry Lister, Jerry Reece 6- Lauren Rister, John Sims, Frances Whitman 7- Gordon Butterfield, Ruby Thornton, Berkeley Hollingsworth, Hampton Rouse

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Members- *Neva Bailey, Martha Duttlinger, J.B. Gott, Cal Fulkerson, Jana Grayson & Family, Ann Hager & Family, Keeley Hollingsworth, Bill Johnson & Family, *Rick Jouett, Jeanne Jouett, Shona Murray, *Mark & Kathi Williams

Family of Members- Tommy, Tara & Allie Beth Daniel, Tanya Grayson, Gail Henry, Paul Johnson, *Jed Nuss, Albert Varble, Fred Zeller

Friends of Members- Greg Alexander & Family, *Dave Brown, William "Doc" Coffee, Larry Crouch, Letitia Gilliland, Sandy Gruzdsy, Family of Deb Hogan, Billy Gatton Jones, Beth Mercer, Theresa Nguyen, Family of Dr. John Rogers, Pat Tierney, *Marcie Williams

Armed Forces- Andrew Boyd, Austin Cheek, Curtis Flood, Clarence Meade, Joe Phelps, Patrick Ritter, Rocky Shapla, Brad Stone

Our Global Mission Partners & Our World Community

STEWARDSHIP & ATTENDANCE

February 22, 2008

Contributions:

Pledges & Offering	\$9,901.55
Capital Campaign	\$1,965.00

Attendance:

Church School	107
Worship & Wonder	29
8:30 am Worship	51
10:45 am Worship	237
Total Worship	288

SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Senior Minister Search Committee has been meeting on the second and fourth Mondays since January 12th. We have completed a congregational profile form that provides background information about Crestwood and have submitted it to the regional office.

We have reviewed the congregational survey responses pertaining to the desired qualities that a senior minister should possess and will review other survey information from the Vision Committee.

We have also discussed items to include in an information packet that we will provide to candidates that we choose to interview.

Most of us have signed up for the Listening to God meetings and will be participating in this small group discernment process over the next six weeks.

We have received six profiles of prospective candidates for initial screening and are confident that God will lead us to find a terrific senior minister.

We will review all the profiles and determine whether we desire to do a follow-up phone interview by categorizing the profiles as a "yes", "no", or "maybe".

Please know that we are not able to discuss specific candidates with you since some congregations may not know that their ministers have entered the search and call process.

We ask that you continue to pray for our search and call process and for the Search Committee.

The members of the committee are: Billie Arnold, Lauren Guilfoil, Christy Harris, Jeanne Jouett, Teresa McClendon, David Miller, Warren Rogers, Topsy Staten, Sonny Wray, Wayne Shaver – chair and Lucy Wells – Moderator.

Please share your thoughts or questions with any member of the committee.

SUPPORT THE DISCIPLES' SHAMROCK SHUFFLE TEAM

This year, the Disciples will be the first ever team for the Shamrock Shuffle supporting the Lexington Habitat for Humanity. The 3rd Annual Shamrock Shuffle is a 3K walk/run to benefit the Habitat for Humanity Pat Smith Endowment Fund. Virginia Long is the team captain for the Disciples of Christ team. Information will be available in the Narthex on 3/1 & 3/8. If you have any questions, please contact Virginia Long or Tracy Siegman.

MISSION CENTER LOAN

Original construction loan	\$1,150,000.00
Loan balance as of 01/14/2009:	\$687,747.62

ACOLYTES

March 1: Charlotte Kessinger
March 8: Caleb Landis
March 15: Ellie Reece
March 22: Lucy Spratt

WORSHIP VISITORS

Ron Bodager & Family, Bill & Susan Hurt & Family, Cindy Hutcherson, Susie Psimer, Georgia Roark, Amber Tongate, 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: Leslie Hammond-Ferguson, Dan Pence

10:45 Service: Earl Pfanstiel, Brad Rister, Diana Forbess, Peggy Harris, Chrystal Schoeder, Brooks Richardson, Jeff Van Deursen, Mark Williams, Monte LaFrana, Charlie Lane

Saturday Set-Up: Brad Rister

Sunday Clean-Up: Earl Pfanstiel, Brad Rister, Diana Forbess, Chrystal Schoeder



Mike's Message

by Mike McColl

Whew, I can not believe that it has been two months since Sarah entered the picture. There are two questions that I am asked every time I see people. One, How is Sarah Doing? And, two, are you loving parenthood. My answer is always the same, Sarah is doing wonderful and being a father is amazing. I never imagined that I could be so happy, tired, and excited all at the same time. I catch myself sitting in nursery just watching her sleep and I am amazed at how much she has grown and started to change. She opens her eyes, moves her head, she just started cooing this weekend and so many more amazing things that it is sometimes hard to take it all in. I have also been floored by the love shown by all of you. The gifts, cards, meals, prayers, and the support has been tremendous. Thank you for the

time that I was able to spend with my family and thank you for the love that you have shown my family. I promise, that I will have pictures in my office soon.

In other news, the time is approaching. The UK DOC group is headed to Harlingen, Texas and Matamoros, MX to build two Casitas for Spring Break in three weeks. We covet your thoughts and prayers as 15 of us head down to discover how we can serve the Kingdom of God in a different and exciting way. The Kentucky Rolex Three Day Event is coming in April. A Max and Erma's night is being planned, and our Youth are getting ready to celebrate Youth Sunday and gearing up for Mission Trips and Church Camp. Crestwood is gearing up for an amazing VBS experience and a chance to Listen to God and see where God is moving this congregation. So take a breath and get ready to move into a time of hope and expectation as we contemplate our lives during Lent.

Peace,
Mike

DWM FEBRUARY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

American Cancer Society Hope Lodge

The American Cancer Society Hope Lodge provides a home away from home, at no cost, for those who live away from Lexington and whose best hope for cancer treatment is at Lexington's medical centers. There they receive not only lodging, but emotional and social support from other survivors, staff and volunteers. That nurturing, comfortable environment enables patients to focus on what is most important, fighting cancer.

This month you can help by bringing **canned goods (vegetables or fruits), soup, boxed meals like hamburger helper or macaroni and cheese and individual pudding and jello.** Many patients have difficulty swallowing and soft foods are always needed. Items may be brought to group meetings or placed in the marked DWM collection bins just inside the doors to Chalice Hall. Thanks for all you do! Fran Allen and Sheri Shaver, DWM Service Chairs.

CHILDREN & YOUTH REMINDERS:

March 1: CCF/PJYF/JYF ~ Games, Craft & Devotion
Chi-Rho ~ Surprise Activity
CYF ~ Movie Discussion

CHILDREN & YOUTH CHOIR TIMES

Cherub Choir (3yr-K): Sundays 9:30am - Music Room
Angel Choir (gr1-5): Sundays 1:40pm - Music Room
Youth Choir (grades 6-12): Sundays 12pm - Choir Room

WALK FOR WARMTH

The Lexington Rescue Mission is holding their annual fundraiser, Walk for Warmth, on Sat, 2/28 at 11am. Registration begins at 10am at Phoenix Park, in front of the central branch of the Lexington Public Library. Free parking is available at the Park Plaza Garage behind the library. The walk will begin at 11am, and prizes will be awarded following the event to individuals and teams that raise the most money. All proceeds go directly to help families in need. To register or for more information, visit: <http://www.lexingtonrescue.org/walk.html> or call (859) 381-9600.

GOD'S PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Central Christian Church is one of the food distribution sites for God's Pantry with the second highest number of referrals. The pantry is open Monday-Friday from 2-4pm. We need additional volunteers whose work will include: checking clients in (which involves some paperwork), helping clients shop for food, stocking the shelves, and helping clients take food to their cars. Central's volunteers will provide training for new workers and volunteers can choose to work as little or as often as they like. If you would like to help in this ministry, or want additional information, please contact Kathy Shaefer, member of Central's God's Pantry Team at 859-264-9158.

YARD WORK PLANNED FOR MARCH 14

The Property Department needs volunteers to do shrub/tree trimming and maybe a few other outdoor maintenance tasks at 9am on March 14, weather permitting. Thanks to the help of several church members half of the shrubs were trimmed on a cold, snowy December day. The other half needs to be trimmed before the plants start budding. A light breakfast will be provided. Don't forget to bring your trimmers—electric or manual.

Contact John Royse (j.royse@insightbb.com /278 8359) or John Gretz (jsg708@alltel.net /268 0732) if you want to help or have questions.

Thank You

Thank you to Tracy Day for providing Snack Lunch for our children & youth last week.
Thanks, Mike McColl

CONGREGATIONAL INTERVIEW RESULTS

The first phase of the congregational visioning process to aid the Search Team in calling the right person to be our new Sr. Minister was the face to face interviews held in November and December. The participation in this was great, with over 150 of you responding to the questions. The Vision Team has been busy compiling and analyzing the responses. Your comments are being directed towards specific ministry teams for action. There were suggestions that will be sent to nearly every ministry team including Personnel, Finance, Youth and Children, Worship, and Music.

What is clear from your responses is that overwhelmingly we see Crestwood as a friendly, nurturing congregation with a significant focus on Outreach ministry. The traits we desire in a senior minister reflect that caring nature, in that in addition to a minister with strong bible based preaching skills, we are seeking someone who is friendly and will relate to members of all ages, who is genuine, and has demonstrated good leadership and administration skills, and who can promote spiritual growth in the congregation.

Also evident from your comments is that Crestwood is looking for opportunities to grow and are open to fresh ideas and change. The volume of the participation and the thoughtful consideration given to your responses is evidence of the passion that each of you has for Crestwood. Each of your comments is being considered as we move forward. The opportunity is at hand to Listen to God for direction, to guide us to the Minister that can lead us where God is calling us to be.

Lucy Wells, Moderator

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The **Trash and Treasure Sale** will be on Saturday, May 30, from 8:00AM-1:00PM in the Mission Center Gym. The youth will be hosting the sale this year and will need donations of items and help starting on Friday, May 29. More information to come soon.

The youth will also be **collecting items** to go to a **local Auction House** for our Mission Trips to Costa Rica and the Heifer Ranch. More details to come soon.

The **Kentucky Rolex Three Day Event** is the week of April 20, 2009. We will be looking for a lot of volunteers for an amazing fundraiser for our Youth Mission Fund.

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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

Frank Spragens, Music Director

Jane Johnson, Organist

Letitia Knapp, Pianist

Michelle Mayes, Child Care Director

Dr. David Blondell, Minister Emeritus

Darrell Hall, Custodian

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