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Crestwood Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Celebrating a Fifty-Year Journey of Faith

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JUNE 7, 2009

Worship

8:30 & 10:45am

9:30am Church School

Youth Sunday

"Here I Am...Send Me"

YOUTH SUNDAY THIS SUNDAY

That is right, this Sunday our youth will be leading both worship services and bringing you a message of hope and grace. Please take time to come and worship this Sunday.

NOON FELLOWSHIP

Wednesday, June 10th, 12 noon

Potluck, Chalice Hall

Guest: Robert Briscoe,

Community Action Center

Bring a meat, salad or vegetable dish.

Desserts and bread are covered.

See you there!

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, June 20

8:30am ~ Chalice Hall

Tim Murtaugh will lead a discussion on "Life After Death"

Breakfast will be provided

COFFEE MAKERS NEEDED

Human coffee makers, that is. With the DWM (Disciple Women's Ministry) circles taking their summer break after May, we need volunteers to make the Sunday morning coffee during June, July and August. Sunday, June 14th is already covered. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact Cyd. The procedure is very easy to follow and takes very little time. We look forward to hearing from you, and thank you in advance!

TRASH AND TREASURE SALE UPDATE

We had a great weekend for the Trash and Treasure Sale, we raised a little over \$1200 and all of that goes into our Youth Group Mission Fund. Thank you so much to all of those who donated items, who volunteered their time to set up, sell, and clean up all of the items, and to all of those who shopped and supported the sale. It was a fun weekend!

WHAT ARE THE EIGHT CORE STORIES OF THE BIBLE?

Adam and Eve? Noah and the ark? The Exodus? Jesus' birth? His death and resurrection? Beginning in June, Cyd will lead a class entitled *Adult Crossings: God's Journey With Us*. This class will lift up eight stories of the Bible that are foundational for understanding God's presence and work in God's world and among God's people. The study is a Logos Press publication, and is a wonderful resource for understanding the Bible in a thematic way. Cyd will lead this class in the Bradford room on Sundays at 9:30am. All Crestwood adults are invited to attend this interesting summer study.

CARDS AND LETTERS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL

The Children are collecting letters and well wishes for our boxes being sent to Stewart Spragens, Frank's Son, in Afghanistan. We will collect letters and cards this Sunday and Sunday, June 14. You may give them to Mike McColl or place them in the church office.

CAMP SEASON OPENS:

This Weekend is the official kick off to the Summer Camp Season at Camp Wakon-Da'Ho and Camp Kum-Ba-Ya. This weekend Camp 101 A, for 1st-2nd graders and a parent kicks off the schedule. Please pray for Jen Brown, Co-Director of this camp, and Christopher Richard who is attending this weekend.

CHI-RHO MISSION TRIP

Is getting ready to set off. We leave Tuesday, June 9, at 8:00 AM for an amazing journey to the Heifer Ranch in Perryville, AR. We will learn how to work together, spend a night in the Global Village, and test our courage on a High Ropes course. We have a great group going from Crestwood and Midway Christian Church. Please keep the following people in your prayers. Adults: Patrick McDaniel, Jody Heil, and Mike McColl ~ Youth: Emma Guilfoil, Lauren Guilfoil, Maggie Waltrip, Judy Brumley, Cam Walton, Jordan Spring, Luke Landis, Nate Hill, Betsy Schein, Will Schein, Sam Hatfield.

CANE RIDGEDAY

June 27 ~ Registration begins @ 9am

Come join us for A Celebration of Music featuring: *The Backroom Bluegrass Band, Reed Organ Music by Jane Johnson, and many, many others*. Bring a picnic lunch and enjoy the grounds. Cold beverages will be available for sale. Hope to see you there (The Cane Ridge Meeting House, 1655 Cane Ridge Road, Paris KY)!

Parish News

BIRTHDAYS:

JUNE 7- John Newton, Peggy Young, Jim Harris, Amy Shores 8- June Flanery, Katherine Henry 10- Kristin Thompson, John Browning, Joe Phelps, Kate LaBoone 11- Kenneth Hixson, Leonard Clark 13- Ryan Nunnelley, Matt Bacon, Chris Reeves, Courtney Barker, Emma Rose Sanders

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Members- Billie Arnold & Family, Margaret Buchanan, Bill Burkhart, Billie Casey, Betsy Cummins & Family, Martha Featherston, Cal Fulkerson, Frances Harris, Bill Hatcher, Keeley Hollingsworth, Kevin Kelly & Family, Chrystal Schoeder & Family, *Pat Sloane & Family

Family of Members- Janet Allen, Beth Azevedo, Family of Evelyn Prewitt, *Jim Summerlin, Albert Varble

Friends of Members- Ann Blackford, David & Anne Bogart, Tsadte Brannon, Brian Bruggeman & Family, Ashli Graul, Bob Hart & Family, Bobbye Jo Franklin, Letitia Gilliland, The Judd Family, Jenny Long, Beth Mercer, Gary North, *Family of Sonja Obrdlik, Janet Scott, Frederick Wei, Jane Woodrum & Family

Armed Forces- Andrew Boyd, Travis Cecil, Austin Cheek, Curtis Flood, Clarence Meade, Patrick Ritter, Michael Robinson, Rocky Shapla, Stewart Spragens, Alex Stringer, Travis Taulbee

Our Global Mission Partners- Carla Giger, Johannesburg, South Africa

Our World Community- An easing on tensions in the Korean Peninsula

STEWARDSHIP & ATTENDANCE

May 31, 2008

Contributions:

Pledges & Offering	\$13,624.05
Capital Campaign	\$1,235.00

Attendance:

Church School	73
Worship & Wonder	22
8:30 am Worship	78
10:45 am Worship	234
Total Worship	312



CYD'S CHAT ROOM

by Cyd Cowgill

There is still a vision for the appointed time . . . it will surely come, it will not delay. This beautiful verse from Habakkuk (an Old Testament book, located between Nahum and Zephaniah. You know it, don't you?) speaks of the prophet's faith in the work of God - faith that God will speak, guide and direct. God's will is discerned through the emergence of a vision, a picture of the future that is grounded in the present, and that shapes the ongoing activity of God's people. *There is still a vision.*

Our wonderful Vision Team, led by Sally Turney, has completed its

work. The Vision that will guide Crestwood in the months to come was presented on Sunday. Included in the Vision is the desire to continue and make even stronger the ministries that we value so much - ministries of outreach, learning and growth, and caring well for God's children of all ages. As I watch our congregation engage in so much viable activity, I'm struck by how alive the church is, how we are already living the Vision in so many creative and effective ways. *There is still a vision for the appointed time.* The time is now, the season of God's spirit, the time of God-with-us as the church. I give thanks for the Vision Team and their faithfulness to the task of discernment. Habakkuk could not have done better!

See you Sunday,
Cyd

MISSION CENTER LOAN

Original construction loan	\$1,150,000.00
Loan balance as of 05/15/2009:	\$662,108.27

ACOLYTES

June 7: Will Feese
June 14: Evan Fitzcharles
June 21: Keeley Chaffin

WORSHIP VISITORS

John & Audrey Booher, Allyson Cain, Nickie Greer, Bruce & PJ Greinke, Clay Hager, Cindy Hutcherson, Nick McManus, Erin Meade, Nell Nance, Hunter Smith, Rachael Walter, Libby Whalen, Marionette Wiley

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

ALL DEACONS, ELDERS & USHERS ENJOY THIS SUNDAY OFF, AS YOUTH WILL BE DOING YOUR JOBS

Deacons

8:30 Service: Lee Kessinger & Libby Sharpe

10:45 Service: Casey & Melissa McDonald, Carolyn Floyd, Spenser Ross, Daniel Shaw, Mark Williams, Pam Sigler, Brooks Richardson, Monte LaFrana, Charlie Lane

Saturday Set-Up: Mark Williams

Sunday Clean-Up: Casey & Melissa McDonald, Carolyn Floyd, Mark Williams

Elders

8:30 Service: Tommy Todd

10:45 Service: Carol Rogers & Lucy Wells

Ushers

8:30 Service: Ward & Linda Ransdell

10:45 Service: Sice Shanklin, David Henry, Fran McKinney, Faye Porter

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 22 - June 25

*6:15 - 8:15 PM

(* Dinner available from 5:45 - 6:10 PM,
see VBS Dinner Reservations box below)



Adult Bible Study

led by Rev. Cyd Cowgill

What to do while your children or grandchildren are participating in VBS? We invite you to participate in your own adult VBS! Using the same scriptures the children are learning each day, Rev. Cyd Cowgill will be leading the adults in scripture reading and discussion.

Adults will join us in the sanctuary at 6:15 PM to hear the Bible Point of the day and sing some fun songs. Bible Study will begin at 6:30 PM, and we will end back in the sanctuary at 8 PM for Firefly Finale!

Please join us for dinner, as well! See the Dinner Reservation Form.

Adult Bible Study Registration

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Nursery Needed? Yes No

If yes, which nights?

Monday, June 22

Tues., June 23

Wed., June 24

Thurs., June 25

Come join us this year as we head down to the bayou! Bible Point crafts, team-building games, cool Bible songs, and Bible adventures are just some of the Crocodile Dock activities that help faith flow into real life! The children will also participate in a hands-on mission project called Operation Kid-to-Kid™. Find out more and register your child today for this life-changing adventure at:

www.groupvbs.com/webtoybox/myvbs/crestwoodvbs2009

VBS Dinner Reservations

June 22 - June 25

Parents, grandparents, children, and friends: join us for dinner each night of VBS from 5:45 - 6:10 PM. Prices are as follows:

Pre-registered for all 4 nights: \$10 per person

Pre-registered for individual nights: \$3 per person, per night

Drop-In for individual nights: \$4 per person, per night

Name: _____

Monday, June 22 How many dinners? _____

Tuesday, June 23 How many dinners? _____

Wed., June 24 How many dinners? _____

Thurs., June 25 How many dinners? _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

(*Please make checks out to Crestwood & note "VBS Dinner" in the memo line.)

Volunteers Needed!!!

Do you love God and love children? We need volunteers to guide our VBS crews, lead crafts, lead Bible adventures, help with snacks, and help behind-the-scenes. Click on the link below and click on "Volunteer Registration" to sign up. Questions? Contact Jen Brown (333-3485) or Whitney Sparks (269-8112).

www.groupvbs.com/webtoybox/myvbs/crestwoodvbs2009

VBS Celebration Lunch & Games

Sunday, June 28th ~ 12 PM - 2:30 PM

All members are invited to attend our all-church VBS Celebration after church on June 28th! We will have a catered cook-out (\$9 Adults/\$6 Children). A VBS slideshow and music will be performed during lunch. After lunch will be fun & games for all ages. More details coming soon!!!

Children's Happenings

CCF/PJYF/JYF

Grades 1-5

Monday, June 15: Movie Day ~ Meet at the Church at 1pm

Youth Happenings

Chi-Rho & CYF

(6th-8th Grade) (9th-12th Grade)

Saturday, June 6: 9am Youth Sunday Rehearsal In Sanctuary

Sunday, June 7: Youth Sunday ~ 7:30am in Sanctuary

We will go out to lunch afterwards

Wednesday, June 17: Movie Day ~ Meet at the Church at 11:30am

CRESTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH - OUR VISION

This past Sunday, May 31st, the Vision Team presented to the congregation the outcomes of the Visioning Process. This included both the one-on-one interviews that were conducted in November and December 2008 and the Listening to God prayer series held during Lent. The Vision Process helps Crestwood identify who we are and what we hear God calling us to be. This also serves the Senior Minister Search Team in the selection of our next Senior Minister. For those who were unable to attend this past Sunday, we hope to have the Presentation available for viewing on the church website in the very near future. Paper copies of the presentation will be available on request.

What we discovered . . .

- We have a deep, caring love of Crestwood and each other.
- We believe we do a wonderful job with Local and Global Outreach and . . .
- We believe that God is calling us to be of service to others - we must be a church of service.
- We need to take those strengths and use them to strengthen our evangelism to the community outside of Crestwood.
- We deeply value and treasure our youth and children
- And we need to continue to emphasize, improve, and create excitement in our youth and children's programming.
- We want to continue to get powerful, meaningful messages from our Worship Services.
- This means we need to carefully select a new, strong senior minister to lead us in Worship.
- We need to find powerful new ways to develop Adult Education and Leadership.
- One strong message from the congregation was the value of small groups for spiritual growth and fellowship.

What's happened so far . . .

- The Children's and Youth Choir programs are presently being expanded.
- The Sabbatical Policy was reviewed and has been revised.
- The Budget concerns are being carefully considered by a variety of committees, including Finance and Personnel.
- We now know where God is leading us
- Love one another, take care of each other, be kind, reach out and share God's Good News!

This concludes the work of the Vision Team. I would like to thank this group who started as the Strategic Planning Committee and changed their focus at the request of the Administrative Board and continued well beyond their original commitment of time. Members of this team included: Sally Turney (chair), Tom Arnold, Alice Hays, Dabney Parker, Meg Shake, Wayne Shaver, Tommy Todd, Sharon Warner, Doug Wilkinson, and Sonny Wray. Thanks for a job well done!

BEG, BORROW...BUT WE WON'T STEAL!

We are collecting items that we need for Vacation Bible School. If you have any of the items below that we could borrow, please contact us! Thanks - Jen Brown (278-0997) or Whitney Sparks (269-8112). We will return these items at the end of VBS:

Small fishing boats/canoes, Lanterns, Plastic ferns/greenery, Rubber worms, Fishing nets, Hammocks, Fishing gear (tackle boxes, poles, waders - to be used as decorating props), Brown or tan blankets/sheets, tablecloths and/or curtains, Large blue tarp (with grommets on the ends), Black plastic sheeting, Plastic fish, Plastic or real small logs and/or branches, Stones, 30 Paper Grocery bags (no handles)

We are also collecting the following to make some decorations.

These *will not* be returned: large plastic juice containers (similar to the apple juice containers with the handles), empty coffee cans.

GREAT SUMMER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Bluegrass Technology Center, an organization new to Lexington, is looking for teachers, parents, and youth to scan children's books and help create comprehension questions for reading curriculum for differently-abled children. These books will allow children, not able to hold a book and turn its pages, to read it, look at its pictures, and interact with the words with the click of a mouse. For more information, please contact BTC at office@bluegrass-tech.org or 294-4343.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Wednesday, July 29 - Sunday, August 2
Indiana Convention Center • Indianapolis, IN



Disciples Assembly planners approached the 2009 General Assembly with awareness of the newly stated Disciples identity: *"We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us."*

Crestwood may have up to 10 lay delegates at General Assembly. The following 6 members were presented to the Administrative Board at the May 20th, 2009 meeting to serve as voting delegates: Warren and Carol Rogers, Virgil and Alice Hays, Dave Miller & Andy Bales. Should you have an interest in attending General Assembly and serving as a voting delegate from Crestwood please contact one of the ministers, or Lucy Wells.

MEET AROUND A MEAL

What could be more "Disciple of Christ" than some good fellowship around a table of good food? To that end, the Small Group Ministry Team is sponsoring "Meet Around a Meal," to be held over a four month period, July through October. **The gatherings will be designed for our visitors, prospective members and newest members, enabling them to get to know some of our longer-term members.** The meals might be a dinner, lunch, brunch or picnic. We encourage all Crestwood members and visitors to sign up; look for sign-up sheets at the North and South doors, beginning this Sunday. Once we know who is interested, we will form small groups and start eating! Contact Elaine Lollis, Donna Gibson or Cyd if you have any questions. Let's all get to know some new people and meet around a meal!

ORDINATION TO CHRISTIAN MINISTRY Alan Christopher Murphy

Your presence and prayers are cordially invited to this Ordination of Alan at Crestwood Christian Church, on Sunday, June 14 at 3 in the afternoon. A reception will follow at the Church.

MONDAY NIGHT YOGA

There will be **NO** yoga on Mondays, June 8, 15, 22 or 28. We will resume meeting on Monday, July 6!

TUESDAYS WITH MISSION

Lexington Rescue Mission is in need of volunteers to assist serving lunch on Tuesdays at the mission located on Glen Arvin Ave. For more information, please contact James Clifford at 381 - 9600 or volunteer@lexingtonrescue.org.

WORLD OUTREACH

Will **NOT** meet until Tuesday, August 11. See you then!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO TEACH SUNDAY SCHOOL NEXT FALL?

The Children's Ministry Team is looking for someone to team-teach 4th-5th grade Sunday School and Subs for all levels. If you are interested, please contact Mike McColl or Christy Harris.

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Thank You

I would like to thank John, Susan, and Laura Brown for opening up their home for our Costa Rica Informational Picnic. We enjoyed great food and conversation as we finished learning about our trip.

I would like to thank Mike Massey for donating all of the water and Gatorade for the Chi-Rho Mission Trip. It is wonderful having people respond to a need.

Thanks, Mike McColl

CRESTWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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, Cherub Choir Director
Frank Spragens, Music Director
Jane Johnson, Organist
Letitia Knapp, Pianist
Michelle Mayes, Child Care Director
Dr. David Blondell, Minister Emeritus
Darrell Hall, Custodian
Rick Zudonyi, Part-time Custodian

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