



THE CREST



Crestwood Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Celebrating a Fifty-Year Journey of Faith

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JUNE 28, 2009

Worship

8:30 & 10:45am

9:30am Church School

Scripture

Mark 5:21-43

Sermon

"When We Have No Power"

By Tim Murtaugh

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 this Sunday! 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. Contact the Church Office to make your reservation!

SANCTUARY DECORATED FOR VBS

This Sunday, everyone will be wowed by the beautiful decorations of Crocodile Dock. The decorations will be up for all to see in the Sanctuary. We will also have our children come and sing for us during worship this Sunday.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Tom & Kelly Greinke on the arrival of their new baby girl, Ava Elizabeth on June 12!

NOON FELLOWSHIP

When: Wednesday, July 8 ~ 12pm

Where: Chalice Hall

Guest: Jim Todd

"The History of the 4th of July"

Suggested Attire:

Red, White and/or Blue

Bring a potluck dish to share - a meat, salad or veggie

JOLT COMMUNITY CARNIVAL

ALL are welcome, Sunday, July 5

5pm ~ Arlington Christian Church

Volunteers are NEEDED to assist with booth running, etc. *If interested in helping, or for more info please contact Minister Dikiea Elery (859) 402-3880!*

PERSONNEL UPDATE

Sunday, July 5th, following the 10:45am worship service, the Personnel Ministry Team will offer a brief presentation and opportunity for questions. Topics to be covered are the new Compensation Disclosure Practice, review of the job descriptions for our ministers and the staff evaluation process for 2009. The session will be held in the Administrative Wing.

VAN DRIVER NEEDED

We are looking for one person willing to drive the Van on Saturday, July 11, from 9:00-1:30 PM. We have 9 youth headed to church camp at Wakon-Da'Ho and need a driver. If you are able to help, please let Mike know ASAP. Thanks!

MINISTER AND SUPPORT STAFF EVALUATION FORMS AVAILABLE JULY 1 - AUGUST 1

The Crestwood Personnel Committee brings you greetings and wants all members to know that it is that time of year when we need to give feedback to our ministers and support, music and custodial staff through the annual evaluation process. Since Tim Murtaugh is filling a transitional minister role, we will not ask you to complete a form for him. We invite every member's participation by completing an evaluation form on our other three ministers and on our support, music and custodial staff.

Here are the key facts about the process:

- The evaluation form for ministers was streamlined last year. Please take time to give feedback to each minister on what is going well and on how to improve his/her program areas.
- The evaluation forms for ministers and for support, music and custodial staff will be available starting July 1 and need to be returned to the church office or one of the return boxes located in the north or south entrances by August 1.
- The forms also request that you let us know of concerns (or compliments!) that you would like to address, suggestions you'd like to make about the life of the church or areas of activity at Crestwood. Your inputs will be carefully considered by the Personnel Committee, shared with the ministers and staff, and will be completely anonymous. As we prepare for the arrival of our new Senior Minister, there has never been a more important time to provide as much input as possible.
- The minister and support/custodial staff evaluation forms will be available in the church office, emailed to those of you who are on the church's group email list and distributed to the ministry teams, elders, deacons and church officers.

We would appreciate everyone's help on this! If you have questions, call David Miller, Personnel Committee Chair at 859-221-7064 or email him at dave.miller@qx.net.

Parish News

BIRTHDAYS:

JULY 1- Billie Jo Setzer, Bella Hughes 2- Eric Bucher, Jim Mahoney, Nancy Martin 3- Jay Reese 4- Vaiden Cox, Enoch Roberts, Earl Pfanstiel, Lana Dearing, Jack Jouett

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Members- *Jean Aspley, *Karen Billings, Joe & Carolyn Clark, Betsy Cummins & Family, Georgia Dublow & Family, Dick Featherston & Family, Cal Fulkerson, Bill & Jo Fulkerson & Family, Frances Harris, Mike & Dana Holland & Family, Keeley Hollingsworth, Bob Lail & Family, Warren Perez & Family, Bob Rouse & Family, Pat Sloane & Family, *Jill Waltrip

Family of Members- Janet Allen, Jeff Beshear, Thelma Floyd, *Paul Johnson, Lee Stewart, Jim Summerlin, Albert Varble

Friends of Members- Ann Blackford, David & Anne Bogart, Tsadte Brannon, *Jay Chapman, *Woody Crouch, Ashli Gaul, Bobbye Jo Franklin, Letitia Gilliland, Jenny Long, Beth Mercer, Family of Chad Miller, Gary North, Janet Scott, Family of Dr. Richard White

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- the 2.5 million displaced persons in Pakistan



CYD'S CHAT ROOM

by Cyd Cowgill

I was in first grade again. Standing in the sanctuary on Monday night, singing VBS songs at the top of my lungs (under Jen Brown's wonderful direction), I felt like I was in a time warp going all the way back to First Christian Church in Winston-Salem, the place where I first experienced the most wonderful summertime ministry ever created, Vacation Bible School! Children and adults were in their color-coded groups, shouting "Fear Not!" in response to the amazing truth that "God Is With Us!" Earlier, we enjoyed supper together at tables decorated with spiders crawling out of coffee cans.

In the adult class that I'm leading this week, we discussed the wonder of the burning bush, and contemplated what God might have to do to get our own attention. And as I looked all around me with appreciation, I realized that a full ninety-five percent of the children present have been born since I've been at Crestwood. And today here they are, learning the story of our life-giving God, thanks to the time and skill and dedication of some GREAT parents and adults. I thank God for Vacation Bible School, for the church where I first participated in it, and for my present church where it continues to flourish, spiders and all. *Fear Not! God IS With Us!*

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 28: Elizabeth Welsch
July 5: Madison Harris
July 12: Charlotte Kessinger

SAY YES

The nominating committee, under the leadership of Andrea Nielsen will soon begin its work. Think about the ways you can use your gifts of time and talent in the coming years. If asked, please consider serving and pray about it. It's an exciting time to be involved in this congregation

WORSHIP VISITORS

Cera Bates, John & Audrey Booher, Lucy Booker, Jean Daniels, Barb & Frank D'Silva, Adia Jacks, Lindsey Livingston, Alex Thor, Amber Tongate

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

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

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

STEWARDSHIP & ATTENDANCE

June 21, 2008

Contributions:

Pledges & Offering	\$10,094.50
Capital Campaign	\$1,465.00

Attendance:

Church School	63
Worship & Wonder	18
8:30 am Worship	97
10:45 am Worship	189
Total Worship	286

DWM NEWS

A reminder for all group leaders – please get your list of officers and members into the church office as soon as possible. Laura will be working on our DWM books and needs the information before July 1st. Also if you are an officer for next year and have some information for the book, please get it to Laura or put it in the DWM box. The new officers for 2009-2010 will be installed in the 10:45 worship service on July 28th.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO TEACH PRE-SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL NEXT FALL?

The Children's Ministry Team is looking for someone to team-teach 3 & 4 year old Sunday School and Subs for all levels. If you are interested, please contact Mike McColl or Christy Harris.

EIGHT CORE STORIES CLASS

Core Story #2: The Exodus. Dip into the first few chapters of the Book of Exodus, and join us this Sunday, June 28th, in the Bradford room. We'll begin a discussion of the most important story in the Judeo-Christian tradition, besides the story of Jesus. All adults are welcome! Bring a Bible with you.

SHOW YOUR CRESTWOOD PRIDE

We are making available Crestwood Christian Church apparel. We have polo shirts, tee shirts and baseball caps in three colors. All sizes are available. You can see samples on the display in the Chalice Hall. We are taking orders through the month of July. Polos are \$25. Tees are \$10. And Caps are \$15. We hope everyone will order apparel and show their Crestwood pride.

HOW IS YOUR "SPIRITUAL BI-FOCAL?"

We've received the Vision Teams report recently. It spoke to us of things that are priorities at Crestwood. We've received facts about the financial status at Crestwood. The trends we are experiencing are not much different from those of other churches who might be in a similar transition time in which we find ourselves. But now, with all of that information, we're approaching the time of year when we will consider our gifts for next year. So, what is our personal vision for the future? How can we contribute our time and talent to further the priorities? What will be needed and what can we give of our resources? These are questions to ponder. How will we undergird our congregation and its ministries considering the times in our world? The answer to that question has to be answered not only from an economic standpoint but also from a spiritual one. Think about it.

SAFETY REMINDER

Although we at Crestwood are wonderfully kind, the rest of the world isn't always so nice. Every day, cars and homes in our neighborhood are burglarized. Churches are targeted by criminals because they know they are often empty and have lots of valuable items inside. In the last year, over a dozen churches in Lexington have been the victims of crime, with losses exceeding \$100,000. Even at church, it is important to remember basic safety rules:

Lock all doors when you leave. Don't assume someone else will. Don't leave prompt doors unattended. Don't leave purses unattended, even in the kitchen. Lock your car. Hide purses, cell phones, GPSs and other electronic items. If you see someone semi-suspicious, say "hello" and ask if you can assist. If they are here for a good reason, they will appreciate the welcome; if they are here for something else, they are more likely to leave. If you see someone really suspicious, don't approach them alone. Go for help. *If you have a key to the church you are not using, please return it to the office.*

ANDROS MISSION PROJECT

Anticipation and realization of Vacation Bible School at Crestwood has been great. The Andros Mission project is busy organizing and planning VBS for the children on Andros Island, Bahamas. This is the 10th year I will be involved with this project and I'm excited! Please read on and share my enthusiasm! Many of you are familiar with what we do. It is a fun-filled, action packed week of VBS bubbling with lots of smiles, hugs and eager hearts full of God's love! This project began in the mid 1980's and has been under the direction of Rev. Jim Brooks and sponsored by the First Christian Church of Winder, Georgia and the Chapel community of AUTECH Navy Base on Andros Island. There are 38 adults from many parts of the US that provide the leadership for the children and youth. There are nearly 4,000 pounds of supplies that are shipped to help support our efforts. It is a 5 day program that is provided for them with snacks in the morning and a hot lunch each day. They are provided with a "Goody Bag" each day filled with fun things, small toys, but also with school supplies, personal items, books etc. The children's eyes light up when receiving a small box of crayons! They are people of great faith and look forward to this very special week each year to celebrate and share God's love. The funding for this project comes from donations and money from congregations like our. Crestwood has been a great supporter in the past and I know this year will be the same! We are a giving church community. Share my excitement and keep this project and the children of Andros in your prayers! You can donate to this week for the children by writing your checks to Crestwood Christian Church earmarked Andros Mission Project. *With deep gratitude from myself and the children on the Island of Andros, Mary Beth Richardson*

THE BOOK SHELF

We would like to thank Jane Harris, David & Janet Clark, and all the anonymous givers for donating books to the library.

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CHILDREN & YOUTH CALENDAR:

Grades 1-5: July 6: Water Game Day ~ 2-4pm at the Church

Chi-Rho/CYF: July 20: 8am-4pm Life Adventure Center ~ Climbing

Thank You

Dear Crestwood,
Thank you for your support following our accident. The calls, visits, cards, transportation, and food have helped our recovery. We are blessed to be a part of such a caring and sharing community. We're making progress and hope to be back among you soon. Our sincere appreciation, Carolyn and Joe Clark

A special thanks to Elizabeth Richardson, John Brown, Susan Schell, Fran McKinney, Forrest Hahn, and Harold Faulconer for their items being used in the VBS decorations. The VBS Team

Crestwood,
Thank you so very much for your support of my call to ministry, most recently manifest in hosting my ordination service and reception. I wouldn't be where I am without the love of this congregation. Rev. Alan Murphy

Crestwood provided a delicious lunch of pork barbecue sandwiches, cole slaw, baked beans, macaroni and cheese, potato chips, devilled eggs, fruit salad, brownies, oatmeal raisin and chocolate chip cookies for the Habitat workers on Saturday, June 20. Thank you to Carlene Adams, Fran Allen, Judy Browning, Janet Burcham, Sue Ann Cowgill, Carolyn Thomas and Sice Shanklin for your contributions. A special thanks to Katie Burcham for helping me deliver and set-up the lunch. If you were one of the many that volunteered to bring food, please know that even though you were not called upon, we appreciate your willingness to help. Thanks, Sheri Shaver

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
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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