

THE WORSHIP OF GOD PALM SUNDAY APRIL 13, 2025



We gather to worship the Living God. In order to focus our hearts on this purpose, we ask that you silence all cell phones, alarm watches, and other electronic devices.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT Total Praise Richard Smallwood

Gregory Emanuel Rahming, bass-baritone; Louie Bailey, organ

GREETING Grady Throneberry

THE WORK & WITNESS OF OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY

If you are a guest at Crescent Hill, consider filling out one of our connection cards in the pew rack in front of you, or scanning the QR code on the back of your worship folder. We'll reach out to connect about our community, one that we'd love for you to be a part of.

ENTRANCE INTO WORSHIP

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Hosanna! All: Hosanna!

One: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of God. All: Blessed are we who come to worship the One.

One: Hosanna! All: Hosanna!

One: Do not be afraid. All: We are not afraid.

One: Look! Jesus comes in peace. All: Look! Jesus comes in love.

One: Hosanna! **All:** *Hosanna!*

*Processional Hymn of Praise 204

All Glory, Laud, and Honor Lindy Casebier, trumpet ST. THEODULPH

Refrain: All glory, laud and honor to thee, Redeemer King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One! *Refrain*

The company of angels are praising thee on high, and we with all creation in chorus make reply: *Refrain*

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present: *Refrain*

To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise: **Refrain**

Thou didst accept their praises – accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest,

thou good and gracious King! Refrain

John M. Neale, 1854

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jordan Conley

One: God of the foolish cross, tottering down the streets of Jerusalem on a donkey, You are not the savior we expect.

Your power doesn't look like the power we want our God to demonstrate. Your wisdom makes no sense to us. We are happy to join the crowd, waving branches,

But not so sure we want to follow you

into the temple courts

into the upper room

into the Garden of Gethsemane

to the foot of the cross.

All: Forgive our false assumptions. Clarify our clouded vision.

One: Let us relax into the foolishness of your love, your grace.

All: Hosanna, hosanna.

EXTINGUISHING THE SIXTH LENTEN CANDLE

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: Family of Faith, hear the good news and believe: Our God is a God of grace and transformation. May the God of mercy, who forgives all sin, strengthen us in all goodness and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

All: Thanks be to God!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Pat Cole

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

CHORAL REFLECTION

Sing to the Lord Hosanna

Chancel Ensemble; Louie Bailey, piano & conductor

Hebrew Folk Song

arr. Patrick Liebergen

Sing hosanna!

Sing hosanna in the highest!

Sing to the Lord hosanna!

Blessed is He, the King adored;

Life your voice, O praise the Lord!

Joyfully sing, He enters here;

Join the songs resounding clear!

All the people call Him King,

Hear the news we gladly bring!

Shout hosannas to His name;

Loud hosannas we proclaim!

*GOSPEL LESSON: PEW BIBLE, 83

Luke 19:28-40

Mallory Cheng

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, "The Lord needs it." So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. Now as he was approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

The word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL REFLECTION Pie Jesu REQUIEM

Chancel Ensemble; Elizabeth Weaver, soprano; Louie Bailey, conductor & piano

Blessed Jesus, who takes away the sins of the world, grant (us) eternal rest.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Corrie Hammons

*HYMN OF CELEBRATION 203

Hosanna, loud hosanna the little children sang; through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang. To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,

From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd, the victory palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.

the children sang their praises,

the simplest and the best.

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

"Hosanna in the highest!"
That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer,
the Lord of heaven, our King.
O may we ever praise him
with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence
eternally rejoice.

Jeannette Threlfall, 1873, alt.

WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY

Letting Go of Control

Jordan Conley

MUSICAL OFFERING

The Holy City

Stephen Adams

Lindy Casebier, trumpet; Louie Bailey, organ

OFFERING OF OURSELVES, OUR TITHES, & OUR GIFTS

Our regular tithes and offerings support the budgeted ministries of Crescent Hill Baptist Church.

*LENTEN DOXOLOGY

Beautiful Savior

CRUSADER'S HYMN

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine! Amen. *Joseph A. Seiss, 1873*

*LENTEN PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Jordan Conley

One: Gracious God, You speak of a promised day where swords will be beaten into plowshares and justice will roll down like a mighty stream. So we offer you these gifts in hopes that they might help bring about that day. All: Use us and use these gifts for your good. Cultivate in us more generous hearts. Amen.

*INVITATION TO RESPOND

Crescent Hill is a welcoming community of faith. We invite those seeking baptism for the first time, or those seeking to join our fellowship from another faith community to come forward during the Hymn of Response. Rather than a place of guilt, we invite you to come forward to claim your identity as the beloved of God united in beloved community. Welcome home.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 213

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his love.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

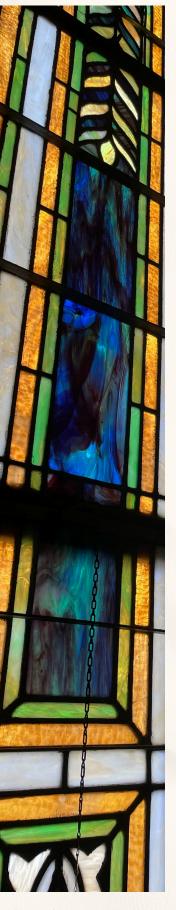
Issac Watts, 1707, alt., Lowell Mason, 1825

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Morning Reflections Louie Bailey

*Worshipers are invited to rise, in body or spirit.

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- We invite those who wish to be baptized or join the church to share that decision with the church near the conclusion of worship. However, if you would prefer to explore baptism or church membership privately, the ministers would be glad to discuss those decisions with you following worship.



HOLY WEEK You're invited to Worship

APRIL

13

PALM SUNDAY

10:45 AM, Sanctuary

APRIL

17

MAUNDY THURSDAY

6:15 PM, Sanctuary

APRIL

18

GOOD FRIDAY

3:00 PM, Chapel

APRIL

7

EASTER SUNDAY

10:45 AM, Sanctuary



We hope you will also join us on the front lawn for our Easter EggStravaganza on Saturday, April 19, from 9:30am-11:30am!

Today's Worship Leaders

Mallory Cheng is a 5th grade student at Lowe Elementary School. She is 10 years old. Mal is the daughter of Kerri and Eric Cheng and big sister to Veronica. She loves reading Harry Potter, creating art (especially drawings), cake decorating, hiking with her family at Red River Gorge, and playing with her friends in the neighborhood.

Pat Cole joined Crescent Hill Baptist Church in 1987 while serving as Director of News and Information at Southern Seminary. After leaving Southern in the 1990s, he was able to continue his communications career in Louisville and is now retired. While a member of CHBC, he met and married Janet, who was then the Pastor's Secretary. Today, they enjoy trying (unsuccessfully) to keep pace with their granddaughter, Amelia.

Lindy Casebier currently serves as the secretary of Kentucky's Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet. Prior to this role, he served within the Kentucky Legislature, Commerce Cabinet. Lindy graduated from UofL with a bachelor of music education and a master of education. Lindy's passion for the arts led him to be recognized as a UofL School of Music Alumni Fellow in 2003.

Gregory Rahming has been a member of Crescent Hill Baptist Church since 2011. He has served as Vocal Instructor at Sacred Heart School for the Arts, Vocal Professor at Simmons College of Kentucky and is currently the Vocal Instructor at Kentucky Country Day. He is the Co-Founder/Artistic Director of The Mari-Ella Academy of Vocal Arts, and the Founder/Artistic Director of local singing group "2ND CHANCE".

Elizabeth Weaver has been a member of CHBC since 2014. She attends Theology on Tap and the Reading Group and is a part of the choir and Church Council. She grew up in Southern Illinois, near St. Louis, and moved to Kentucky in 2006, when she started grad school at UK, where she met her husband Dennis. She works as a mathematical copy editor, and in her spare time enjoys learning to play the guitar, reading, and traveling.

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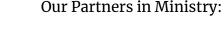
Crescent Hill is an inclusive community of faith rooted in the Baptist tradition. We're a little different than other churches. We welcome all, regardless of race, age, creed, physical abilities, marital or economic status, gender identity, or sexual orientation. No matter where this day finds you, know that you are the beloved of God & there is space for you here...welcome home.





Find our live-stream online at Crescent Hill Baptist Church.

🚰 At most gatherings, an American Sign Language interpreter is at the front of the Sanctuary.



















Easter Lily Orders due Today!

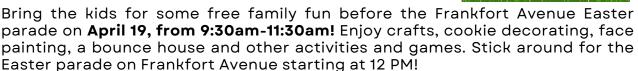
Order forms may be submitted in the offering plate or in Bobbe Crouch's mailbox church office. Checks can be made out to Crescent Hill Baptist Church with, "Easter Lily" in the memo line. Please submit payments in the offering plate on Sunday OR to Bobbe Crouch. There is also a Text-to-Give option if you wish to make a payment online. You may purchase flowers in honor, in memory or, in gratitude of a loved one or a friend. Cost is \$23.00 each. Flowers may be taken home following the Easter service. All orders are due today!



April

9:30 AM

Easter Eggstravaganza! - April 19



If you would like to volunteer to boil eggs ahead of Eggstravaganza, the eggs will be in the Fellowship Hall kitchen starting today! There will be a sign on the refrigerator door. When you return the eggs, make sure you put them in the area marked boiled eggs.

Please return boiled eggs anytime before 9 AM on Saturday, April 19.

Volunteers Needed for Upcoming Donation

While doing some 'spring cleaning' in the children's ministry closet, we stumbled upon dozens of sleeping bags! We plan to keep some for future use and will donate the surplus to organizations in need. If you are able to assist in this effort by machine washing the extra sleeping bags before we donate them, that would be greatly appreciated! All sleeping bags are located in the Youth Room. There will be signs in the Youth Room indicating which sleeping bags are clean and which sleeping bags still need to be washed. Please contact Corrie Hammons (corriehammons@chbcky.org) for more information!

April

7:00 PM

Reserve your ticket for Louisville FC's Pride Night!

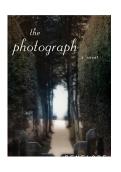
Join CHBC and other faith communities in cheering on the Louisville Racing FC at Lynn Family Stadium during their 2024 Pride Night on Friday, June 6 at 7:30 PM! To ensure CHBC folks will sit together, we will purchase the tickets for everyone who wants to attend at the same time. That being said, please let us know if you're interested in attending by April 27!



Reading Group on April 24

April

We would love to have you join us during this month's reading group gathering as we discuss another winner of the Booker Prize, The Photograph, by Penelope Lively. Would you open an envelope marked DON'T OPEN-DESTROY? This unfolding novel is about secrets and how they affect the people involved. Immerse yourself in this intriguing book written by an amazing writer. April 24, at 7:00, in the church parlor. Contact: Bobbie Thomason, **bobbijt@icloud.com** for more information.



We will not be meeting on Wednesday this week. Instead, we will have Fellowship Meal and program on Maundy Thursday.

*Thursday, April 17

<u>Menu (5 PM):</u> Chili Supper, Corn Bread, Salad and a Dessert!

<u>Program (6:15 PM):</u> Maundy Thursday Service in the Sanctuary

Choir Rehearsal is at 7:15pm in the Choir Room



Youngish Adult Brunch - Saturday, April 26

Join us on **Saturday, April 26 at 12 PM** for a Youngish Adult Brunch at Jordan & Patrick's home in Cherokee Triangle (2153 Baringer Avenue). This is also the weekend of the annual Cherokee Triangle Art Fair, so come by for brunch, then walk down the street to the art fair!



Congregational Listening Session & Lunch - April 27

The first Congregational Listening session with Carol Harston will be after worship, in Fellowship Hall on April 27. These conversations will focus on 5 key traits of Thriving Congregations: Compelling Clarity, Faithful Agility, Dynamic Collaboration, Holy Tenacity, and Rooted Relationships. Stay tuned for specifics about our first Listening Session. Reserve your lunch by emailing or calling Bobbe Crouch or the church office. You can also make a reservation and prepay via the drop-down menu on the CHBC giving page on the CHBC website. The deadline for ordering food will be Thursday, April 24. Please RSVP for food in advance.

Weekly Prayer Concerns

We pray for Eugina Robertson; Margot McCall Lehocky; Jose Chipe; CJ Phipps; Betty Schnur; Judy Hodge; and, Lolly Tucker. Also, Kerri Cheng's husband, Eric; Lisa Howser and Patti Speck's stepfather, Merrill Smith; Ann Cottone's father, John Revel; Annie Hammon's niece; Nancy; and Annie's brother, James Bellinger; Adrienne Eisenmenger's grandmother, Betty Gorham; Kat Goodman's friend, Danny Campbell; Kay Sanders' friend, Sharon Wilson; and Joyce Deboe's friend, Phyllis. For those affected by the conflict in Palestine & Israel. We pray for our CBF Field Personnel: Rick & Ellen Burnette, Steve Clark & Annette Ellard and Scarlette Jasper. We pray for healthcare workers, as well as school personnel and students. We pray for those affected by gun violence in our city and nation.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

March 2025 Projected Budget Offerings: \$38,333

Total March Budget Offerings: \$26,817

Budgeted 2025 YTD Offerings: \$460,000 (**Still need: \$379,129**)

Total March 2025 Revenue: \$43,114

For Comparison:

March 2024 Projected Budget Offerings: \$38,333
Total Revenue for March 2024: \$61,310

We're glad you're here

If you are a guest with us today and would like to let us know a little more about yourself, please take a moment to scan the OR Code.

