



*For everyone born,  
a place at the table*

**THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
ASCENSION OF THE LORD SUNDAY  
JUNE 1, 2025**



**Crescent Hill**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
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10:45 AM

*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

PRELUDE

*The Ascension*

Jean La Tour

GREETING

Jordan Conley

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.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Glory be to you, Creator God, give of life and love, who sent Christ into the world to declare your good news of liberation.

**All: Glory be to you, O Christ, who has brought life and freedom to light through the good news of the gospel.**

One: Glory be to you, Three in One, One in Three, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit!

**All: We praise you; we bless you; we thank you. Come, let us worship!**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 259

*A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing*  
Lindy Casebier, trumpet

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

A hymn of glory let us sing!  
New songs throughout the world shall ring:  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Christ, by a road before untrod,  
ascends unto the throne of God.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The holy apostolic band  
upon the Mount of Olives stand,  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
and with his faithful followers see  
their Lord ascend in majesty.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O Lord, our homeward pathway bend,  
That our unwearied hearts ascend,  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Where, seated on your Father's throne,  
You reign as King of kings alone.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O risen Christ, ascended Lord,  
all praise to you let earth accord.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
You are, while endless ages run,  
with Father and with Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*The Venerable Bede, 8<sup>th</sup> C.; tr. Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978*

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES: PEW BIBLE, 136

Acts 16:16-34

Anna Bowden

One day as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a female slave who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men, these Jews, are disturbing our city and are

advocating customs that are not lawful for us, being Romans, to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them, and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

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

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Corrie Hammons

### \*HYMN OF SALVATION 728

*Jesus Saves!*

JESUS SAVES

We have heard the joyful sound:  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
Spread the tidings all around:  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
Bear the news to ev'ry land,  
Climb the steeps and cross the waves;  
Onward! 'tis our Lord's command;  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Sing above the battle strife:  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
By His death and endless life:  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
Sing it softly through the gloom,  
When the heart for mercy craves;  
Sing in triumph o'er the tomb:  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Waft it on the rolling tide:  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
Tell to sinners far and wide:  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
Sing, ye islands of the sea;  
Echo back, ye ocean caves;  
Earth shall keep her jubilee:  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Give the winds a mighty voice:  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
Let the nations now rejoice:  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
Shout salvation full and free,  
Highest hills and deepest caves;  
This our song of victory:  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

*Priscilla J. Owens, 1868*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Melanie Claypool

### 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.**

### OFFERING OF OURSELVES, OUR TITHES, & OUR GIFTS

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

### CHORAL REFLECTION

*Christus Paradox*

Alfred Fedak

Chancel Ensemble; Louie Bailey, conductor & piano

based on PICARDY

You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd.  
You, Lord, are both prince and slave.  
You, peacemaker and sword-bringer  
of the way you took and gave.  
You the everlasting instant;  
You, whom we both scorn and crave.

Clothed in light upon the mountain,  
stripped of might upon the cross,  
shining in eternal glory,  
beggar'd by a soldier's toss,  
You, the everlasting instant;  
You, who are both gift and cost.

You, who walk each day beside us,  
sit in power at God's side.  
You, who preach a way that's narrow,  
have a love that reaches wide.  
You, the everlasting instant;  
You, who are our pilgrim guide.

Worthy is our earthly Jesus!  
Worthy is our cosmic Christ!  
Worthy your defeat and vict'ry.  
Worthy still your peace and strife.  
You, the everlasting instant;  
You, who are our death and life.  
Alleluia, You, who are our death and our life.

*Sylvia Durstan, 1991*

\*EASTER DOXOLOGY

*All Praise to God, Eternal One*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

All praise to God, Eternal One, and praise to Christ, Redeeming Son, Alleluia, Alleluia. Praise to the Spirit, ever near, Great Three in One, be with us here, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Amen. *Louie Bailey, 2000*

WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY

*When the Spirit Disrupts Business as Usual*

Jordan Conley

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: God be with you

**All: And also with you**

One: Lift up your hearts

**All: We lift them up to God**

One: Let us praise God together

**All: Let us give God thanks and praise**

One: As we share this bread and cup, we celebrate the presence of Christ among us and proclaim together:

**All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

SHARING THE ELEMENTS

Beginning with those seated at the back of the sanctuary, as directed by an usher, please come down the aisle to receive the bread and the cup with open hands. After you partake of the bread and cup at the altar, then return to your seat by way of the opposite aisle. If you do not wish to come forward, please raise your hand when your row is dismissed and we will serve you.

COMMUNION MUSIC

*In Remembrance*

Buryl Red

Lindy Casebier, trumpet; Louie Bailey, organ

CELEBRATE LIFE

\*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 708

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

DENNIS

Blest be the tie that binds  
our hearts in Christian love;  
the fellowship of kindred minds  
is like to that above.

We share each other's woes,  
each other's burdens bear;  
and often for each other flows  
the sympathizing tear.

Before our Father's throne  
we pour our ardent prayers;  
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,  
our comforts and our cares.

When we are called to part,  
it gives us inward pain;  
but we shall still be joined in heart,  
and hope to meet again.

*John Fawcett, 1782, alt.*

BENEDICTION

Jordan Conley

POSTLUDE

*Morning Reflections*

Louie Bailey

\*Worshippers are invited to rise, in body or spirit.

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# WEEKLY CALENDAR

## SUNDAY, JUNE 1

9:15 Coffee (Birchwood Lobby)

9:30 Sunday School

- Harbor Class (Second Floor)
- Unlikely Saints Class (Room 211)
- Agape Harmony Class (Parlor)
- Barnabas Class (Library)
- Inspire Class (4:30pm, homes of class members)

10:45 Worship (Sanctuary)

12:00 Listening Session with Carol  
Harston (Fellowship Hall)

5:00 Divorce Recovery

## MONDAY, JUNE 2

5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4

6:00 Frankfort Avenue Group  
(Heritage Hall)

## THURSDAY, JUNE 5

5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

5:30 Church Council Meeting (Zoom &  
Library)

5:45 Change of Heart (Heritage Hall)

## FRIDAY, JUNE 6

5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

7:30 Louisville Racing FC Pride Night  
(Lynn Family Stadium)

# Thank you for Giving

*Your gifts are making a difference in our church and our world. Below are several methods you can use to contribute financially to Crescent Hill. We appreciate your generosity. Get started or manage your giving at [chbcky.org/give](http://chbcky.org/give).*



### EASY. QUICK. SECURE.

Scan the QR Code with your smartphone camera to make an electronic contribution now.



### ONLINE.

Schedule a recurring or one time gift charged to your debit or credit card. Get started at [chhcky.org/give](http://chhcky.org/give).



### DONATE STOCKS.

Contact Bobbe Crouch in the church office to explore these options confidentially.



### AUTOMATIC BANK PAY.

Log in at your bank's website and follow instructions to set up Crescent Hill Baptist Church as a new payee. The financial institution will send the church a check.



### MAIL.

Send to Financial Secretary, Bobbe Crouch. Be sure to specify if your check is intended for the Unified Budget or another purpose.



### TEXT.

Text "GIVE" to 502.237.7312 and follow the prompts.



### FROM YOUR IRA.

For those over 70.5 years old, tax-free IRA gifts offer a huge financial benefit. Reach out to Bobbe Crouch to learn how this could reduce your future tax burden and fulfill your Required Minimum Distribution.

# Today's Worship Leaders

In her core, **Anna Bowden** believes that the questions people ask of life and in faith shape the way they view and treat others. She has put this abiding conviction to action as Assistant Professor in New Testament at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary. From this position she is helping the church at large and those who are pursuing a call to ministry hone their curiosities to facilitate a more generous view of faith, a more inclusive church, and a more just and equitable world. When not in the classroom, Anna will likely be spending time with her adoring dog, Shiner, and her spouse, Rev. Brent Bowden.

**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.

**Melanie Claypool** was raised in Mississippi but was born in Louisville while her father was at Southern Baptist Seminary. For over 25 years, Melanie worked various roles for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama. Prior to retiring in 2022, she served as Director of Provider Services for Passport by Molina in Louisville. While attending Mississippi College, Dr. John R. Claypool, Rowan's dad, was her pastor. Rowan and Melanie reconnected after Dr. Claypool's passing and eventually married in 2012. Together, they have three married sons, a granddaughter, Beatrice, and a beloved dog, Woodford. Since her retirement, she has been involved in the Leadership Louisville Encore program, working part-time for Barre 3, and participates through the Missions Response Team, teaching elementary kids, Church Council and our Sunday school class at CHBC.

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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.

### Our Partners in Ministry:





## Third Congregational Listening Session & Lunch in Fellowship Hall - Today!

Please make plans to attend our two final listening sessions:



Reserve your lunch by emailing or calling Bobbe Crouch or the church office. **The deadline for ordering food will be Friday, June 6 at 4 PM.** Please RSVP for food in advance and let us know about any dietary restrictions. Box Lunches are \$10. Box Lunch Menu: Sandwich Wraps.



## June Church Council Meeting

The Church Council will have their monthly meeting on Thursday, June, 5 at 5:30 PM via Zoom.

## Mark Your Calendars for Pride Month!

June 5

**Drag Revival**  
7 - 9 PM

Highlands Community Ministries  
(1228 E Breckinridge St)  
Admission is free! Please RSVP for seating here: [www.dragdaddy.pro](http://www.dragdaddy.pro)

June 15

**Pride Pulpit Swap!**  
10:45 AM

Jordan Conley at Ridgewood Baptist Church,  
Molly Shoulta Tucker at CHBC!

June 21

**Pride Parade**  
12 PM

March from NULU to the Big Four Lawn

June 6

**Racing FC Pride Night**  
7:30 PM  
Lynn Family Stadium

June 22

**Pride Sunday**  
10:45 AM

Join us as VOICES of Kentuckiana, now in their 32<sup>nd</sup> season, lead us in worship. VOICES champions diversity and inclusion through song, visibility and partnership.



Get your CHBC Pride Shirt!

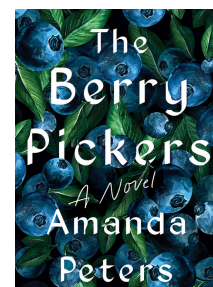
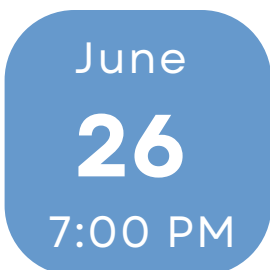
## Ministry Team Meeting? Help Spread the Word!

Our ministry teams help us carry out the ministries of CHBC. Help us spread the word about your team's good work! If your ministry team is meeting in person or via Zoom, please contact Communications Specialist, Lillian Gordon ([lillian@chbcky.org](mailto:lillian@chbcky.org)) a few weeks in advance so we can make sure your meeting is publized in our Friday Flyer and the Sunday worship folder.



## Reading Group - June 26

The Reading Group will be talking about *The Berry Pickers*, a novel by Amanda Peters, a Nova Scotian writer who is also a teacher at Acadia University. This book is a story of secrets, mysteries, grief and love among a family of Nova Scotian migrant workers from the indigenous Mi'kmaq people who go to Maine each summer to pick blueberries. Join us on **Thursday, June 26 at 7:00 in the parlor.** All are welcome! Contact Bobbie Thomason for additional information ([bobbijt@icloud.com](mailto:bobbijt@icloud.com)).



June

15

### Purchase Your CHBC T-Shirt

The pickleball group is selling T-Shirts to help raise funds for the maintenance needed for the gym. **T-shirt order forms will be available in the church office. Cost of T-shirts will be \$30.** Make checks payable to Crescent Hill Baptist Church and place "Gym Maintenance" in the memo line. Submit order forms to the designated box in the church office. \*Note: The logo will appear differently based on the color of the T-shirt chosen. No refunds or exchanges. **Deadline to submit order forms will be June 15.**



June

15

### Father's Day Auction and Fundraiser Proposals

Submit your best sweet and savory baked goods, as well as arts and crafts, for the **Father's Day auction on June 15!** Contact Melanie Bunger (melanie.bunger@twc.com or 435-6189) to contribute or ask questions.

**Proceeds will support a charity or project in need!** Proposal requests should be sent to churchcouncil@chbcky.org or Melanie Claypool (melanieleigh0907@gmail.com) submitted to the Church Council mailbox for review.



July

26

### Audit a Course at BSK!

Want to learn without all the homework? Now is your chance! Audit a course through BSK with classes such as: **Nature and Christian Worship; Pastoral Care to Diverse Communities; Black and Womanist Theology; Psalms in the Life of the Church; Religion and Social Justice; and Sacraments in the Secular Age.** Contact Abby Sizemore (abby.sizemore@bsk.edu) by July 26 if you are interested in participating. Classes begin August 25.



### Weekly Prayer Concerns

We pray for Blake Ragsdell; Eugina Robertson; Margot McCall Lehocky; Jose Chipe; CJ Phipps; Betty Schnur; Judy Hodge; and, Lolly Tucker. Also, Kat Goodman's friend, Danny Campbell and Cody Hill; Bobbe Crouch's cousin's grandson, Francis Roy Lilly; Lisa Howser and Patti Speck's stepfather, Merrill Smith; Ann Cottone's father and brother, John Revel and Johnny Revel; Annie Hammon's niece, Nancy; and Annie's brother, James Bellinger; Betty Gorham; 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 Scarlett 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

May 2025 Projected Budget Offerings: **\$38,333**

Total May Budget Offerings (through 05-27): **\$24,647**

Budgeted 2025 YTD Offerings: **\$460,000 (Still need: \$324,386)**

Total May 2025 Revenue (through 05-27): **\$27,160**

### For Comparison:

May 2024 Projected Budget Offerings: **\$38,333**

Total Revenue for May 2024: **\$50,760**

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you're here

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