



LITTLE FREE PANTRY COLLECTION DAY

Every third Sunday we collect non-perishable food and hygiene items for our Little Free Pantry. Donations are divided between the Little Free Pantry and United Crescent Hill Ministries. (UCHM) The Little Free Pantry helps for our neighbors in need. In addition to food, the Little Free Pantry offers community resource flyers for those needing additional help.

**THE WORSHIP OF GOD
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 18, 2025**



Crescent Hill
BAPTIST CHURCH

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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

Fugue on St. Anne (O God, Our Help in Ages Past)

Johann Sebastian Bach

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: As flowers blossom and grow, the aged renewal of creation is speaking to us. It proclaims the ancient, sacred truth that God is doing something new!

All: It springs forth, making a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

One: In our prayer and in our silence,

All: God is doing a new thing.

One: Through small acts of compassion,

All: God is doing a new thing.

One: Through the hymns and hearing of scripture,

All: God is doing a new thing.

One: May we perceive the renewal of God that is all around us,

All: And may this new life spring forth in our hearts and lives.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 99

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

When morning gilds the skies,
my heart awaking cries,
may Jesus Christ be praised!
Alike at work and prayer
to Jesus I repair,
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Does sadness fill my mind?
A solace here I find,
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Or fades my earthly bliss?
My comfort still is this,
may Jesus Christ be praised!

The night becomes as day,
when from the heart we say,
may Jesus Christ be praised!
The powers of darkness fear
When this sweet chant they hear,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this, while life is mine,
My canticle divine,
may Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this the eternal song
through all the ages long,
may Jesus Christ be praised!

*Katholisches Gesangbuch, Würzburg, 1828; tr.
Edward Caswall, 1854*

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down; they cannot rise; they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth; do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

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

MUSICAL REFLECTION

A New Song

Allen Pote

Chancel Ensemble; Louie Bailey, conductor & piano

Sing to the Lord,
Sing to the Lord
All the earth,
Sing a new song
Full of praises,
A song full of joy
And gladness.

Sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord
All the earth,
And bless God's holy name for ever and ever.
Sing to the Lord, sing a new song.

Let the heavens be glad,
And let the earth rejoice;
Let the sea roar, and all that lies therein
Let the field exult and everything in it!
Then shall all trees of the wood sing for joy.

Sing to the Lord, sing a new song.
The God of Jacob has spoken to you:
"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, you are mine.
When you walk through waters, I will be with you,
and through rivers, they shall not overwhelm you.
When you walk through fire
you shall not be burned.
And the flame shall not consume you.
For I am the Lord, the Lord, your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior and
Redeemer."

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Corrie Hammons

*HYMN OF EASTER 238

Because He Lives

BECAUSE HE LIVES

God sent His son, they called Him, Jesus;
He came to love, heal and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives!

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living,
Just because He lives!

Gloria & William Gaither, 1971

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Jordan Conley

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.

MUSICAL OFFERING

Shall We Gather at the River?

Robert Lowry

Nick Wilson, piano

arr. Nick Wilson

OFFERING OF OURSELVES, OUR TITHES, & OUR GIFTS

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

*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

Behold... A New Thing

Rev. Laura Ayala

*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 578

Come, All Christians, Be Committed

BEACH SPRING

Come, all Christians, be committed
To the service of the Lord;
Make your lives for him more fitted,
Tune your hearts with one accord.
Come into His courts with gladness,
All your sacred vows renew,
Turn away from sin and sadness,
Be transformed with life anew.

Come in praise and adoration,
All who in Christ's name believe;
Worship Him with consecration,
Grace and love you will receive.
For His grace give Him the glory,
For the Spirit and the Word,
And repeat the gospel story
Until all his name have heard.

Eva B. Lloyd, 1966, alt.

Of your time and talents give ye,
They are gifts from God above;
To be used by Christians freely
To proclaim His wondrous love.
Come again to serve the Savior,
Tithes and offerings with you bring.
In your work, with Him find favor,
And with joy His praises sing.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Laura Ayala

POSTLUDE

Morning Reflections

Louie Bailey

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

- Call to Worship based on Isaiah 43:19, Adapted from Worship Resources, Bethany Seminary
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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.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MAY 18

Food Pantry Collection Day

- 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 Congregational Listening Session (Fellowship Hall)
- 2:00 Moms Demand Action (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:00 Divorce Recovery

MONDAY, MAY 19

- 12:00 Game Day (Parlor)
- 5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

TUESDAY, MAY 20

- 9:15 Art Spirit (Youth Room)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21

- 5:00 Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 Ministry Forum (Fellowship Hall)
- Frankfort Avenue Group (Heritage Hall)
- 7:15 Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

THURSDAY, MAY 22

- 5:00 Pickleball (Gym)
- 5:45 Change of Heart (Heritage Hall)

FRIDAY, MAY 23

- 5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

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.



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.



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

Rev. Laura Ayala has served as Coordinator of Global Missions for the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (CBF) since February 2023. Rev. Ayala oversees CBF Global Mission, Chaplaincy and Pastoral Counseling Ministries, and Disaster Response. She serves churches by providing needed information to enhance local and missional work, and encourages missions committees and church members to be directly involved in missions praying, going and giving. Rev. Ayala is a graduate of Drew University (Masters degrees in Religion) and the Universidad del Turabo in Gurabo, Puerto Rico. She is currently a candidate for the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Theology from the Interamerican University in San Juan. Rev. Ayala enjoys spending time in nature and is a baseball fan, rooting on her favorite team, the Boston Red Sox.

Gail Tucker has been a CHBC member for 10 years. She had public relations and writing jobs, and served one term as a missionary in Argentina. She also had the job of raising two amazing sons: Todd (Heather Boushey) who lives in Washington, DC and Daniel (Emily Bunker) who lives in Philadelphia. She is now "Gigi" to an adorable grandson, Bay, who was born in December in Philadelphia. She enjoys going to the YMCA, walking, talking to people and traveling. She and Dale have been married 53 years. In the past, Gail has served on the Personnel Team, Missions Response Team and as a church Trustee. Currently, she is involved in the Unlikely Saints Sunday School class and serves on the Hospitality Team.

Nick Wilson is originally from the Appalachian mountains of Eastern Kentucky and he has lived in Louisville for 25 years. Nick has 35 years of ministry experience, including full-time, part-time and volunteer work. He was ordained with the Cooperative Baptist churches, as an openly gay man, in 2016.

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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:



Second Congregational Listening Session & Lunch in Fellowship Hall – Today!

The second Congregational Listening session with Carol Harston will be this afternoon after worship, in Fellowship Hall.

Please make plans to attend future listening sessions on the following Sundays after worship:



May

25

Help Wanted on Sundays! Starting May 25

This paid position will include opening and closing the church building on Sundays. Other hours may be available!

If you or someone you know may be interested in this position, contact Operations Manager, Ann Cottone (ann@chbcky.org).



Congregational Care Team

A new Care Team is being formed to help us better identify needs of persons in our congregation for prayer, notes, home calls or visits, and nursing home, or hospital visits. The team will coordinate those who want to be a part of these activities and help channel the efforts to reach the needs as they arise. We will be providing instructions soon for whom to contact when you are aware of needs. If you are interested in helping us take better care of our own please contact either Michael Smith (call or text 502 727-8779), Margaret Graves (call or text 502 494-3524, email Margaretr.graves@gmail.com), or Rick Forest (text 502 593-1409 or email griefrev@att.net).

May

30

Pickleball T-Shirt Fundraiser

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 May 30.**



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. **Please submit all proposals by June 1.**



WEDNESDAYS AT CRESCENT HILL

May 21

Program (6 PM): Ministry Forum

Choir Rehearsal will take place at 7:15 in the Choir Room



May

19

12:00 PM

Game Day - May 19

Roll the dice and practice your poker face for this month's game day! Be sure to bring your lunch and your favorite games to the Parlor on **May 19 at 12pm** to play among friends and risk it all!



May

20

9:15 AM

Art Spirit - May 20

Bring your artwork or art supplies to the Youth Room **Tuesday, May 20 at 9:15 AM**. Work on artistic projects either as a group or individually. Offer tips to fellow artists and maybe learn something new as well!



Weekly Prayer Concerns

We extend Christian Sympathy to Adrienne Eisenmenger and her family, upon the passing of her grandmother, Betty Kay Griffith Gorham. We pray for Eugina Robertson; Margot McCall Lehocky; Jose Chipe; CJ Phipps; Betty Schnur; Judy Hodge; and, Lolly Tucker. Also, 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; 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 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 05-13): **\$11,238**

Budgeted 2025 YTD Offerings: **\$460,000 (Still need: \$337,795)**

Total May 2025 Revenue (through 05-13): **\$13,752**

For Comparison:

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

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

**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 QR Code.

