



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
PRIDE SUNDAY
JUNE 22, 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

Simple Gifts
Laura Lea Duckwoth, organ

arr. Dale Wood

INTROIT

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands
Gregory Emmanuel Rahming; bass-baritone

Spiritual

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: We come like Philip:

**All: Following the angels,
waiting for a word from the Spirit.**

One: So breathe your Word into us, O God,
that we might have boldness

**All: To speak to the stranger on the road,
to proclaim the good news about Jesus,
to love one another.**

One: Let us dwell within your deep love for us.

**All: Let us live within the truth of Scripture:
Perfect love casts out all fear. Amen.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

You Made Us in Your Image

AURELIA

You made us in your image,
O God of love and grace;
You treasure every person
in every time and place.
You call your world to follow —
to see in every one
A person loved and cherished,
your daughter or your son.

Your will is for your people
to live in safety here,
With dignity and justice,
and free from want or fear.
In families and nations,
may all know freedom's song;
May all enjoy the blessing
to choose where they belong.

You warn against enslavement
and things that would oppress.
You call for living wages,
for times of welcome rest.
You call for education for all —
not just a few;
You teach us: Welcome strangers,
for so we welcome you.

You made us to be equal;
you made us to be free —
To speak the truth with courage,
to change society,
To follow our own conscience,
to choose the words we pray.
O God, may all your children
enjoy these gifts each day.

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2012

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, the queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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

WORDS FROM A JOURNEY

Mark Bayman

MUSICAL REFLECTION *There's Room at the Cross/It Is No Secret What God Can Do*

arr. Mitz Nabekura

Mitz Nabekura, piano

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Corrie Hammons

*HYMN OF INCLUSION 437

Help Us Accept Each Other

ELLACOMBE

Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us; teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace. Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe. We are ourselves accepted, and meant to love and live.

Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith. Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some, to love them as we find them, or as they may become.

Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved in living situations to do the truth in love; to practice your acceptance until we know by heart the table of forgiveness, and laughter's healing art.

Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need, who hunger for acceptance, for righteousness, and bread, we need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on; renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one!

Fred Kaan, 1975

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Annie Hammon

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 OFFERING

Christians, We Have Met to Worship

HOLY MANNA

Pride Sunday Ensemble; Gregory Emanuel Rahming, conductor; Laura Lea Duckworth, piano
 Christians, we have met to worship
 and adore the Lord our God;
 will you pray with all your power,
 while we try to preach the Word?
 All is vain unless the Spirit of the
 Holy One comes down:
 Christians, pray, and holy manna
 will be showered all around.

Let us love our God supremely,
 let us love each other too;
 let us love and pray for sinners
 till our God makes all things new.
 Then he'll call us home to heaven,
 at his table we'll sit down;
 Christ will grid himself
 and serve us with sweet manna all around.

George Atkins, 19th Century, alt.

*PENTECOST DOXOLOGY

Alleluia, Alleluia! Glory Be to God on High

ODE TO JOY

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high! Alleluia to the Savior who has gained victory! Alleluia to the Spirit,
 fount of love and sanctity! Alleluia, alleluia to the Triune Majesty! Amen.

WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY

What Is to Prevent Me?

Jordan Conley

*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

For Everyone Born

FOR EVERYONE BORN

For everyone born, a place at the table,
 for everyone born, clean water and bread,
 a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
 for everyone born, a star overhead.

Refrain: And God will delight when we are creators
 of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
 yes, God will delight when we are creators
 of justice, justice and joy.

For woman and man, a place at the table,
 revising the roles, deciding the share,
 with wisdom and grace dividing the power,
 for woman and man, a system that's fair.

For young and for old, a place at the table,
 a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
 the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
 for young and for old, the right to belong.

For gay and for straight, a place at the table,
 a covenant shared, a welcoming space,
 a rainbow of race and gender and color,
 for gay and for straight the chalice of grace.

For everyone born, a place at the table,
 to live without fear, and simply to be,
 to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
 for everyone born, the right to be free. **Refrain.**

Shirley E. Murray, 1996

BENEDICTION

Jordan Conley

POSTLUDE

Fughetta

Buxtehude

Laura Lea Duckworth, organ

*Worshippers 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.
- Listening devices are available for use. Please see an usher or a member of our Tech Team for assistance. Our Technology Team members are: Chris Jones, Eileen Bartlett, John Arnett, & Darrell Adams.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

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)

5:00 Divorce Recovery

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

General Assembly Begins

(St. Louis, Missouri)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

6:00 Frankfort Avenue Group
(Heritage Hall)

7:00 Missions Response Team Meeting
(Library)

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

5:45 Change of Heart (Heritage Hall)

7:00 Reading Group (Parlor)

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.



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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

Mark Bayman has been a member of CHBC for 9 years. He and Rickey have been married for 8 years, together 16 years & live in Henry County. Mark is 1 of 4 children & is from Lewiston, Idaho. He is a Culinary graduate of Sullivan University & is presently a cook at Winland Foods in Buckner, Kentucky that makes condiments, salsa & jelly & jam.

Devin Bundrent is an agent at Heyman Talent Agency, specializing in film and television. A Louisville native, Devin attended DuPont Manual High School and the University of Louisville (L1C4!), where he majored in Finance and French. Devin is passionate about the arts and has served on the boards of many local arts organizations. Devin began attending CHBC in 2021 as his second date with Grady Throneberry; the two were married in the sanctuary in May 2023. They live in Saint Matthews with their dog, Reagan, and love reading, tech, travel, theatre, and all things related to food!

Laura Lea Duckworth has been with Crescent Hill since 1986, and was heavily involved in the music ministry and various church choirs. She went on to the music ministry of St. Francis in the Fields Episcopal Church and later became Director of Music and Worship at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church. Laura Lea is now retired and enjoys being a substitute organist and singer.

Annie Hammon has been attending Crescent Hill Baptist Church for 45 years. She helped begin the Reading Group as well as the Writing Group. She is a MK (Missionary Kid) and grew up in Liberia. Annie now resides with her two cats, Sasha and Magpie. She likes people and loves Tumbleweed!

Mitz Nabekura has been attending Crescent Hill Baptist Church as an adult since 2005. Mitz and his parents Isao & Natsumi Nabekura also attended Crescent Hill from 1965-1970, when Dr. John Claypool was the pastor. Mitz's husband, Terry Pound, passed away in February of 2025. Mitz and Terry were married at CHBC in 2015, something they both thought would never happen, and so grateful that it did. Mitz works in Harrodsburg, KY in warranty department of Toyota Boshoku America. He enjoys music and movies, but his favorite thing to do is eat! His favorite dishes are Chicken or Turkey Tetrizzini and tomato pie.

Gregory Emanuel 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".

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:



D-Day Declutter Dumpster Day - Today!

Come help declutter the Church **after worship today from 12PM-3PM**. All are welcome whatever time you have. Pizza and drinks will be available for lunch, therefore please let us know if you are coming so we can plan for the food. Contact Margaret McCollum at 502-541-9790.



Youngish Adult Sunday School - This Evening

The next Youngish Adult Sunday School class will be meeting **this evening, Sunday, June 22** at Chris and Hilary Jones' home. If you would like to come, please contact Chris Jones (chris@christopherjones.us, (812) 989-6431).

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship General Assembly - This Week

This week, the CHBC Thriving Congregations team is attending the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship General Assembly in St. Louis! We look forward to being with our sister churches at this time.



Reading Group - This Thursday, June 26

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.



RSVP by
July
26

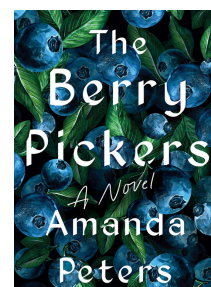
Ministry Team Meeting? Help Spread the Word!

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) 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 - This Thursday, 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).



June
26
7:00 PM

Little Free Pantry Restock Items Needed

Our Little Free Pantry is in need of supplies to restock its shelves twice a week. **We kindly ask you to consider donating the following items to help replenish our donation closet for the Free Pantry.**

Thank you to the Young Adult Sunday School class for adopting the pantry this month!

Item suggestions include:

- **Non-perishable foods**- pop-top soups, fruits and vegs, canned meats, peanut butter, mac and cheese, Ramen soup, cereal, granola bars, spices (basics), condiments, shelf-stable milk, juice boxes, etc.
- **Hygiene Items**- soap, toothbrush/toothpaste, deodorant, comb, hotel samples, feminine products, shampoo/conditioner, toilet paper, small bottles of laundry detergent and dish soap.
- **Diapers**- can be divided, wipes and other baby items, kid snacks
- **New socks, hats, gloves for cold weather (leave in packaging)**



Congregational Care Team Survey

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. **Please take this brief survey to let us know how you are interested in participating.** This survey will help us coordinate those who want to be a part of these activities and help channel the efforts to reach the needs as they arise. For more information, please contact either Michael Smith, Margaret Graves, or Rick Forest. **Survey:** <https://chbc.live/48fy7faa>



Weekly Prayer Concerns

We pray for Dwayne Howell; 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

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

Total June Budget Offerings (through 06-09-includes TTG): **\$11,644**

Budgeted 2025 YTD Offerings: **\$460,000 (Still need: \$312,743)**

Total June 2025 Revenue (through 06-09-includes TTG): **\$13,367**

For Comparison:

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

Total Revenue for June 2024: **\$39,586**

**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.

