

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 31, 2025



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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 in G minor

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.

**INVOCATION** 

\*HYMN OF PRAISE Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

**BEACH SPRING** 

Kat Goodman

Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need, who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed: we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart, consecrating to your purpose every gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless, still the hungry cry for bread; still the captives long or freedom, still in grief we mourn our dead. As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul, by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.

\*GOSPEL LESSON: PEW BIBLE, 77

As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight, making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear, stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go, to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show; hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid and peace we give, that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.

Albert F. Bayly, 1961, alt.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host, and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers and sisters or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Luke 14:1, 7-14

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

#### RECOGNITION OF INTERIM CHILDREN'S COORDINATOR, CORRIE HAMMONS

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Corrie Hammons

#### CHORAL REFLECTION

#### Be Not Afraid

Craig Courtney

Chancel Ensemble; Louie Bailey, conductor & piano

Be not afraid: For I have redeemed you; My love for you is everlasting, My love for your shall have no end. Be not afraid: I have called you by name. When you pass through the waters, When you pass through the waters,

I will be with you; I will be with you;

When you pass through the floods When you pass through the floods They will not sweep o'er you; They will not sweep o'er you; When you walk through fire, When you walk through the fire, You will not be consumed; You will not be consumed;

You are mine, you are precious in my sight. You are mine, you are precious in my sight.

> You are precious in my sight. -Based on Isaiah 43:1-4

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leslie Picken

#### 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.

MUSICAL OFFERING Cantilena Jean LaTour

#### \*PENTECOST DOXOLOGY

ODE TO JOY

Alleluia, Alleluia! Glory Be to God on High 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.

#### \*HYMN OF HOSPITALITY

#### Let Us Build a House

TWO OAKS

Let us build a house where love can dwell

And all can safely live

A place where saints and children tell

How hearts learn to forgive

Built of hopes and dreams and visions

Rock of faith and vault of grace

Here the love of Christ shall end divisions

#### Refrain:

All are welcome, all are welcome All are welcome in this place

Let us build a house where prophets speak,

and words are strong and true,

where all God's children dare to seek

to dream God's reign anew.

Here the cross shall stand as witness

and as symbol of God's grace;

here as one we claim the faith of Jesus. Refrain

Let us build a house where love is found

in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God, through Jesus,

is revealed in time and space;

as we share in Christ the feast that frees us. Refrain

Let us build a house where hands will reach

beyond the wood and stone

to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger

bear the image of God's face;

let us bring an end to fear and danger. Refrain

Let us build a house where all are named,

their songs and visions heard

and loved and treasured, taught and claimed

as words within the Word.

Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace,

let this house proclaim from floor to rafter. Refrain

Marty Haugen, 1994

#### \*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

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

#### Here I Am, Lord

HERE I AM, LORD

I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain* 

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain* 

Daniel L. Schutte (1981)

BENEDICTION Jordan Conley

POSTLUDE Morning Reflections Louie Bailey

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

The flowers today are given in honor of Corrie Hammons and in appreciation of her work with the Crescent Hill Baptist Church Children's Ministry.

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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, AUGUST 31**

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** 

Pickleball (Gym)

### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 Church Office Closed Labor Day**

5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

5:00 Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 Presentation from UCHM

Executive Director, Stephanie

Henry-Floyd (Fellowship Hall)

Frankfort Avenue Group

(Heritage Hall)

7:15 Dr. John Claypool

Commemorative Service

(Sanctuary)

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

5:45 Change of Heart (Heritage Hall)

# 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. OUICK. SECURE.

QR Code with Scan 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 Treasurer, Eileen Bartlett 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 Treasurer, Eileen Bartlett. 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 Treasurer, Eileen Bartlett to learn how this could reduce your future tax burden and fulfill your Required Minimum Distribution.

# Today's Worship Leaders

**Kat Goodman** is originally from Henderson, Kentucky but has lived in Louisville for over 20 years. She and her partner, Andrea Smuskiewicz, live in the St. Joseph's neighborhood. Kat was introduced to Crescent Hill Baptist Church through her involvement with the monthly Reading Group. She is also the newest member of the Church Council and can be seen playing pickleball some evenings in the gym. In her own words she says, "I am most thankful for the generous hearts I have found here."

**Leslie Picken** and her husband. Bob have been Louisville residents for over 4 years. Leslie serves on the Social Justice Team and Bob serves on the Finance Team. In her own words she says, "I love this church. This building, these people, the Living Gospel being preached, the idea of the wide arms of Christ, I love it all. This is home."

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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:

















September

3

7:30 PM

#### Dr. John Claypool Commemorative Service

Join us in the Sanctuary on **Wednesday**, **September 3 at 7:15 PM** for a service commemorating Dr. John Claypool's passing. This service will also be live-streamed for those who are unable to attend.





#### Kentucky Refugee Ministries Donation for ESL Classes

The Social Justice team is seeking donations to provide coffee, tea, and bread for attendees of the ESL classes at KRM. We typically serve around 100 people. We kindly ask for contributions in the form of baked goods and monetary donations to help cover the costs of other essential supplies, including coffee, creamers, sugar, and paper products. Any and all contributions will make a difference! Please provide any donations to a member of the Social Justice team by September 8.



September
14
5:00 PM

#### The Big Table - A Message from the Social Justice Team

The Big Table was established to encourage people to come together despite differences, fostering shared humanity through listening and dialogue. Participants will not only share a meal but also connect with new individuals and share stories, leaving with renewed hope. Everyone is invited to join at the Big Table at Iroquois Park on September 14 from 5PM-7PM! RSVP with the QR Code.



#### Join the CHBC Worship Team!

Help enhance Sunday worship experiences and support ministers in planning. Duties include assisting with communion, arranging flowers for the baptistry, setting up banners, and seasonal decorations. For more information, contact a member of the Gifts Affirmation Team: Alice Adams, Melanie Bunger, Janet Cole, Margaret Graves, Valorie Horn. Immediate help is needed as Advent approaches. Thank you!



October

**17-18** 

#### 2025 Women's Retreat

Mark your calendars for this year's Women's Retreat taking place October 17-18 at Clifty Falls State Park! Brochure and registration information is now available in the church office and the Narthex. Registration and payment will be due to Diane Taylor OR the Retreat Mailbox by October 5.



October

4-5

#### Celebrating the Bailey's 40 Years of Music Ministry

For all Crescent Hillers, past and present! We are planning the Sunday morning worship service on October 5th to honor Louie and June with a commissioned choir anthem. If interested in participating, especially in the choir, email Michael Smith at michaelsmith1992@hotmail.com. Feel free to share this with others who may want to join or attend!

If you can't participate, you can write a tribute to be shared with them. Help celebrate Louie and June's legacy of service!



# WEDNESDAYS AT CRESCENT HILL

<u>September 3</u> <u>Menu (5 PM):</u> Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad and a Dessert!

**Program (6 PM):** Presentation from UCHM Executive Director, Stephanie Henry-Floyd.

Dr. John Claypool Commemorative Service at 7:15 PM

Please RSVP to the Church Office (churchoffice@chbcky.org) by Monday, September 1 @ 4PM. Suggested Donation: \$10



September

4:00 PM

#### Fish Fry to Support UCHM - September 27

You are invited to a Fall Festival Fish Fry to benefit United Crescent Hill Ministries! The event will take place on the front lawn of CHBC and St. Mark's. Enjoy music, games, a corn hole competition & more! Kids meals, hot dogs & brats, & beverages will be avaliable. Stop by on September 27 from 4 PM-7:30 PM! If there is inclement weather, the event will move indoors.



#### Weekly Prayer Concerns

Margaret Graves will serve as our Congregational Care Team contact. If you have a care need or prayer request that you would like the church to remember, contact Margaret at congregational care@chbcky.org, margaretr.graves@gmail.com or 502-494-3524.

We extend Christian Sympathy to the family, and everyone who loved Carolyn Posey, who passed away this week. We extend Christian Sympathy to Jane Zupetz, and her family, upon the passing of her brother, Jim Rose. We pray for Joan Skaggs; Corinne Holt; Mera Kathryn Corlett; Donnie Murphy; Dwayne Howell; Blake Ragsdell; Eugina Robertson; Margot McCall Lehocky; Jose Chipe; CJ Phipps; Betty Schnur; Judy Hodge; and, Lolly Tucker.

Also, Kerri Richardson-Cheng's friend, Jennifer Toll; Rhonda Gilliland's brother, Steve; Eric Cheng's uncle, Simon; Anna Bowden's sister, Cassie Hyde; Rickey and Mark Bayman's friend, Maurice Clark; Kat Goodman's friends, Danny Campbell and Cody Hill; Ann Cottone's father and brother, John Revel and Johnny Revel; Annie Hammon's niece; Nancy; and Annie's brother, James Bellinger; 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

June 2025 Projected Budget Offerings: \$38,333

Total June Budget Offerings (through 06-29 includes online giving): \$44,528

Budgeted 2025 YTD Offerings: \$460,000 (Still need: \$279,859)

Total June 2025 Revenue (through 06-29-includes online giving): \$47,051

\*Total proceeds from Father's Day Auction to be donated to KRM: \$1,235 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.

