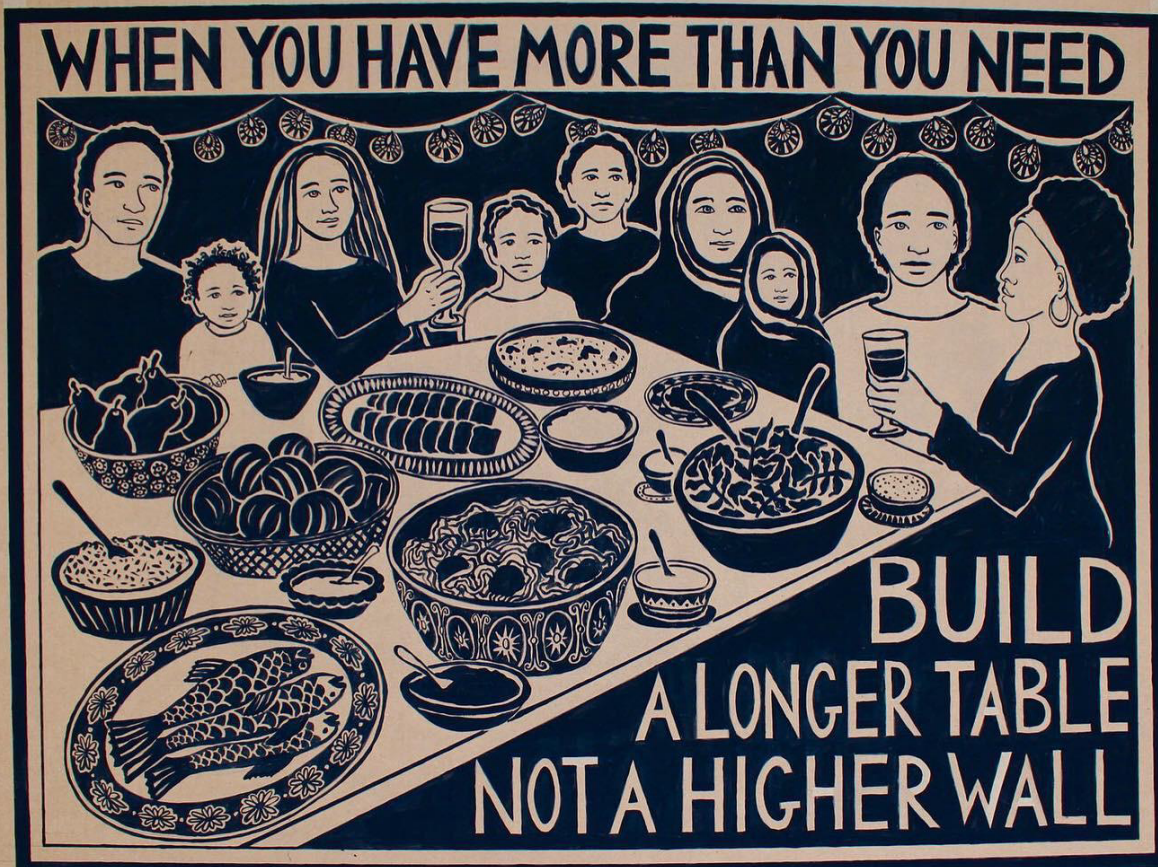




THE WORSHIP OF GOD
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 28, 2025



Crescent Hill
BAPTIST CHURCH

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

Autumn

Jean LaTour

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

The God of Abraham Praise

LEONI

The God of Abraham praise,
who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting days,
and God of love.
Jehovah, great I AM,
by earth and heaven confessed:
we bow and bless the sacred name
forever blest.

The great I AM has sworn;
I on this oath depend.
I shall, on eagle wings upborne,
to heaven ascend.
I shall behold God's face;
I shall God's power adore,
and sing the wonders of God's grace
forevermore.

The God who reigns on high
the great archangels sing,
and "Holy, holy, holy!" cry
"Almighty King!
Who was, and is, the same,
and evermore shall be:
Jehovah, Lord, the great I AM,
we worship thee!"

The whole triumphant host
give thanks to God on high;
"Hail, Father, Son and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry.
Hail, Abraham's God and mine!
With heaven our songs we raise,
all might and majesty are thine,
and endless praise.

Thomas Olivers, c. 1770, alt; para. of Hebrew Yigdal

LESSON FROM THE PSALTER: PEW BIBLE, 581

Psalm 146

Amy Pierce

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long. Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish. Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!

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

“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ He said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

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

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Corrie Hammons

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Hush! Somebody’s Calling My Name

Allen Pote

Chancel Ensemble; Ian Hooper, tenor; Louie Bailey, conductor & piano

Hush, Hush, Somebody’s callin’ my name.	I’m so glad, got me religion on time.
Hush, Hush, Somebody’s callin’ my name.	I’m so glad, got me religion on time.
Oh, Hush, Hush, Somebody’s callin’ my name.	Oh, I’m so glad, got me religion on time.
O my Lord, O my Lord, what shall I do?	O my Lord, O my Lord, what shall I do?
What shall I do?	What shall I do?
 Sounds like Jesus. Somebody’s callin’ my name.	 I’m so glad trouble don’t last always.
Sounds like Jesus. Somebody’s callin’ my name.	I’m so glad trouble don’t last always.
Oh, Sounds like Jesus. Somebody’s callin’ my name.	Oh, I’m so glad trouble don’t last always.
O my Lord, O my Lord, what shall I do?	O my Lord, O my Lord, what shall I do?
What shall I do?	What shall I do?
 Soon one morning,	
death come creepin’ in my room.	
Soon one morning,	
death come creepin’ in my room.	
Oh, Soon one morning,	
death come creepin’ in my room.	
O my Lord, O my Lord, what shall I do?	
What shall I do?	

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Victoria Ragsdell

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

De Blin' Man Stood on de Road an Cried

Ian Hooper, tenor; Louie Bailey, piano

Spiritual
arr. Harry Burleigh

*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.

*HYMN OF CONVICTION

God, We Build Our Own Divisions

CONVERSE

God, we build our own divisions;
we build walls to block the way.
We keep out, by our decisions,
those who need our love each day.

God, may we hear Jesus' teaching:
Gates are made to open wide.
When we hear of Lazarus, begging,
may we welcome him inside.

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, based on Luke 16:19-31

WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY

Open the Gate

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. **Refrain.**

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. **Refrain.**

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.
Refrain.

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

Morning Reflections

Louie Bailey

*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, SEPTEMBER 28

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 29

5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

5:00 Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 Susan Howell Presentation
(Fellowship Hall)

Frankfort Avenue Group
(Heritage Hall)

7:15 Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2

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. 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 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

Corrie Hammons has been a member of Crescent Hill her whole life. She has spent several summers as a children's ministry intern, and has recently started a position at the Belle of Louisville. In her free time, Corrie enjoys playing music, reading, and playing with her border collie, Kenobi!

Ian Hooper grew up here, at Crescent Hill Baptist Church. After a brief career as a high school choral music teacher, he is now a real estate agent and has been serving in this role for the last seven years.

Amy Pierce is from Georgetown, Indiana but now lives in New Albany. She has 5 children and lots of grandkids! Amy has worked in the Commercial Insurance Brokerage space for over 30 years; she is currently at Brown & Brown of Kentucky, Inc. In her free time, Amy enjoys music, sports, traveling, hiking, crafts and art – she has even done several murals. In her own words she says, “I am thrilled to be a member here at Crescent Hill Baptist Church. This is the path I have chosen and a place I feel like I BELONG.”

Victoria Ragsdell is a psychologist in private practice. She is a member of the Unlikely Saints Sunday school class, the CHBC Writers Group and is producing the Advent Meditational Booklet with her co-writer and best friend, Blake Ragsdell. She looks forward to hearing from people who'd like to write for the congregational preparation for Advent! If interested, contact Victoria at victoria.ragsdell@gmail.com. Blake and Victoria's children are Beth, Ben and Athena.

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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:



October

5

10:45 AM

Celebrating the Bailey's 40 Years of Music Ministry Next Sunday!

Crescent Hillers, past and present! Join us on **October 5th** to celebrate Louie and June Bailey's 40 years of Ministry at Crescent Hill! **The service will feature a new anthem written in their honor by Laura Lea Duckworth, and we'd love to have you sing with us! Rehearsals are on Wednesday, October 1st at 7:15 PM and Saturday, October 4th at 1:00 PM.** For more details, email Elizabeth Weaver at eaweaver1s@gmail.com. Make plans to join us in Fellowship Hall after worship for a reception for the June and Louie Bailey!



Love Offering for the Bailey's



A Love Offering for June and Louie Bailey will be presented to them on **Sunday, October 5.** **You may give online or write a check.** Be sure to label your contribution as, "Bailey Love Offering" in the memo line.

How to Give Online:

- 1) Visit www.shelbygiving.com/app/giving/chbcky **OR Scan the QR Code**
- 2) Select "One time" along the top and "Bailey Love Offering" from the drop-down menu.



40 Years of Photos

A collection of photos, taken by Andy Rawls, over the past forty years, showcasing the work of Louie and June Bailey at CHBC, is now open in the Library off of Birchwood Lobby.

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!



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.**



Advent Devotional Books 2025

Would you like to contribute to our 2025 Advent book? The CHBC Writers Group will be posting the theme and specific requests at a later date. However, if you are a thoughtful or creative type, please consider contributing about 3-5 paragraphs. Reach out with questions, suggestions, and submissions at Blake.Ragsdell@gmail.com or Victoria.Ragsdell@gmail.com.



WEDNESDAYS AT CRESCENT HILL

October 1
Menu (5 PM): TBD

Program (6 PM): Susan Howell presents:
Anxiety and Faith: Holding Space for Both

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

Please RSVP to the [Church Office](mailto:churchoffice@chbcky.org)
(churchoffice@chbcky.org) by
Monday, September 29 @ 4PM.
Suggested Donation: \$10

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Week of Prayer

The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's **Week of Prayer** for the Offering for Global Missions will be **October 5-11**. This year's theme, Embracing Neighbors, Nurturing Hope, calls us to deepen our awareness, compassion, and connection to God's work around the world and in our own communities, rooted in Colossians 3:12-14. Pray for CBF field personnel serving around the world. Pray about how you can support the Offering for Global Missions, which sustains this vital work. Pray for CBF field teams across Asia, Europe, Africa/Middle East, and the Americas. Pray about how you and your church can become more involved in local missions that serve your own neighbors. We hope you'll make this week a meaningful part of your church's fall rhythm, nurturing a spirit of global and local compassion through prayer, learning and giving.



Weekly Prayer Concerns

If you have a care need or prayer request that you would like the church to remember, please contact the
Congregational Care Team at **(502) 882-0992, congregationalcare@chbcky.org**.

We pray for Carolyn Seiffert; Corinne Holt; Mera Kathryn Corlett; Donnie Murphy; 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; 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 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 06-29 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.

