

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 7, 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 Fugue in D Major John Stanley

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 579

All to Jesus I surrender, All to him I freely give; I will ever love and trust him, In his presence daily live.

Refrain: I surrender all, I surrender all; All to Thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender, Humbly at his feet I bow, Worldly pleasures all forsaken: Take me, Jesus, take me now. *Refrain* I Surrender All

All to Jesus I surrender, Make me, Savior, wholly thine; May Thy Holy Spirit fill me, May I know thy power divine. *Refrain*

All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to Thee; Fill me with Thy love and power, Let Thy blessing fall on me. *Refrain*

Judson W. VanDeVenter, 1896

SURRENDER

*GOSPEL LESSON: PEW BIBLE, 78

Luke 14:25-33 Kerri Richardson Cheng & Mallory Cheng

Now large crowds were traveling with him, and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

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

At this time, all children are invited to meet their teachers for class at the back of the Sanctuary.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Chris Conver

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

You Are Being Redeemed

Earlene Rentz

Chancel Ensemble; Louie Bailey, conductor & piano

To commemorate the 20th Anniversary of Rev. Dr. John Claypool's passing

Depart now in the fellowship of God the Father all the day long, even unto this hour;

and, as you go, remember:

And, by the love of God,

By the goodness of God, fully revealed in the face of Jesus,

you were born into this world. you are being redeemed.

By the grace of God, you have been kept

*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 DISCIPLESHIP

Wherever He Leads I'll Go

FALLS CREEK

"Take up thy cross and follow Me,"

I heard my Savior say;

"I gave My life to ransom thee,

Surrender your all today."

It may be through the shadows dim,

Or o'er the stormy sea,

I take my cross and follow Him,

Wherever He leadeth me. Refrain

Refrain

Wherever He leads I'll go,

Wherever He leads I'll go,,

I'll follow my Christ who loves me so,

Wherever He leads I'll go.

My heart my life my all I bring,

To Christ who loves me so,

He is my Savior Lord and King,

Wherever He leads I'll go. Refrain

B. B. McKinney, 1886-1952

He drew me closer to His side,

I sought His will to know,

And in that will I now abide,

Wherever He leads I'll go. Refrain

WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY

Truth in Advertising

Jordan Conley

INVITATION TO THE TABLE & COMMUNION PRAYER

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. If you do not wish to come forward, please raise your hand when your row is dismissed and we will serve you.

COMMUNION MEDLEY Amazing Grace; Holy, Holy, Holy, It Is Well with My Soul

Lindy Casebier, trumpet; Louie Bailey, organ arr. Lindy Casebier, Louie Bailey

*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 576

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

ASSAM

I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus; no turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me; the world behind me, the cross before me, the world behind me, the cross before me; no turning back, no turning back. Though none go with me, I still will follow; though none go with me, I still will follow; though none go with me, I still will follow; no turning back, no turning back.

Will you decide now to follow Jesus? Will you decide now to follow Jesus? Will you decide now to follow Jesus? no turning back, no turning back.

BENEDICTION Jordan Conley

POSTLUDE Morning Reflections Louie Bailey

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

The flowers today are given in loving memory of Carolyn Posey & in gratitude for her life of faithful service.

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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 7

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 8

5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

9:15 Art Spirit (Youth Room)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

5:00 Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 Congregational Hymn Sing

(Fellowship Hall)

Frankfort Avenue Group

(Heritage Hall)

Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) 7:15

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Pickleball (Gym) 5:00

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.



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



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Schedule a recurring or one time gift charged to your debit or credit card. Get started at chhcky.org/give.



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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

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.

Mallory Cheng is a 5th grade student at Lowe Elementary School. She is 10 years old. Mal is the daughter of Kerri and Eric Cheng and big sister to Veronica. She loves reading Harry Potter, creating art (especially drawings), cake decorating, hiking with her family at Red River Gorge, and playing with her friends in the neighborhood.

Kerri Richardson Cheng grew up in Shelbyville and started attending CHBC around 2008. She has served on the Personnel committee and the Church Council. Her favorite time at CHBC was our recent "baby boom" when five of our families had six baby girls around the same time (including Kerri's second daughter)! Kerri attends with her two delightful girls, Mallory and Veronica.

Chris Conver has been connected to CHBC since the 1970s. He has served on a number of committees, been a volunteer in the Youth Department, and was elected to the Trustees in 2023. Chris teaches the Harbor Sunday School class. Dr. Conver recently retired after more than a decade of service to Campbellsville University's Louisville Education Center, where he was an administrator and professor.

Staff Contacts

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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:



















Kentucky Refugee Ministries Donations

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

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!



September

7:00 PM

Reading Group Book Share!

All are invited to the Reading Group's annual book sharing evening on September 25 at 7PM in the Parlor! Anyone is welcome to bring a short list of several of your favorite books you have read this year. Please exclude any book we've read in the group. Include brief notes indicating whether each book is Fiction or Non-fiction, along with a short summary of its content. I will compile our lists and distribute a copy to each participant for reference. For more information or any questions, please contact Bobbie Thomason at bobbijt@icloud.com.



October

5

10:45 AM

Celebrating the Bailey's 40 Years of Music Ministry

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.



A Love Offering for the Baileys will also be collected; stay tuned for details on how to contribute.



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 17-18

WEDNESDAYS AT CRESCENT HILL

September 10 Menu (5 PM): TBD

Program (6 PM): Congregational Hymn Sing.

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

Please RSVP to the <u>Church Office</u> (churchoffice@chbcky.org) by Monday, September 8 @ 4PM.
<u>Suggested Donation: \$10</u>

September

27

4:00 PM

Fish Fry to Support UCHM - September 27

You are invited to the Fall Festival Fish Fry on **September 27 from 4 PM to 7:30 PM** at CHBC and St. Mark's, benefiting United Crescent Hill Ministries. Enjoy music, games, and food options like kids' meals, hot dogs, and beverages. **Volunteers are needed for setup (9 AM-12 PM), during the event (4-7:30 PM), and cleanup (7-9 PM)**. Contact Melanie Claypool at melanieleigh0907@gmail.com to volunteer or for questions.



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, congregationalcare@chbcky.org.

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.

