



Downtown Louisville in Autumn

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 9, 2025



Crescent Hill
BAPTIST CHURCH

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

Prelude in Classic Style

Gordon Young

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 62

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish but naught changeth thee.

Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all praise we would render, O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867

*GOSPEL LESSON: PEW BIBLE,

Luke 20:27-38

Annie Hammon

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

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.

Chancel Ensemble; Louie Bailey, conductor & piano

Let all the world in every corner sing.
 Come and lift up a song to the Lord.
 Let all the world give praise in one accord
 With a jubilant song to the Lord.

The church with psalms must shout.
 No door can keep them out.
 But more than all,
 The heart must bear the longest part.

Come before His presence singing,
 Let all creation, the song of every nation
 Now proclaim Him.

Let all the world in every corner sing:
 My God and King!
 Rejoice and sing! Alleluia!

The heavens are not too high.
 His praises there may fly.
 The earth is not too low.
 God's praises there may grow.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pat Cole

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

In This Very Room

Ron Hassis

Mitz Nabekura, piano

arr. Mitz Nabekura

*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 ASSURANCE

Some People Who Questioned

ASH GROVE

Some people who questioned that there's resurrection
 Asked Jesus to tell them of heavenly life.
 "The teaching of Moses says our faith supposes
 A brother must marry his dead brother's wife."
 They said, "It's a sure thing; a man needs some
 offspring,
 So one woman married her dead husband's kin.
 'Twas first to one brother, and then to another —
 Not one time but many — she married again."
 "Not one time, but seven! When she gets to heaven,
 Now which brother's wife will that poor widow be?"
 So Jesus said clearly the answer's not nearly
 The same as the mapping of some family tree.

"In this life folks marry, but those who are worthy
 Find heaven is different; they won't marry there.
 Like angels in heaven, as God's cherished children,
 They'll know of a life that's beyond all compare."
 O God, we're still trying to understand dying
 And many still wonder if heaven is real.
 Yet Christ clearly told us that death cannot hold us;
 We'll know of a new life your love will reveal.
 Through Jesus, remind us, by your loving kindness,
 As Abraham, Isaac and Jacob still live,
 When all stand before you, we'll praise and adore you;
 And sing with the angels of life that you give!

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2016

*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 502

Amazing Grace

NEW BRITIAN

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun

John Newton, 1779, alt; st. 5, anonymous.

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, NOVEMBER 9

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, NOVEMBER 10

5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

9:15 Art Spirit (Youth Room)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

5:00 Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 Bill Thomason Presentation

(Fellowship Hall)

Frankfort Avenue Group

(Heritage Hall)

7:15 Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

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.

A Message from the Stewardship Team - November 9

Thank you to all the people who share their stories on "Why we give: Reflections on Generosity." It is important to hear from individuals and how this church has made a difference in their lives. Stewardship is much more than an emphasis on monetary giving. It is an opportunity to reinforce and celebrate the many relationships that have been formed and continue to flourish here at Crescent Hill Baptist Church.

Thank you to all who make this church a welcoming and safe harbor for so many!

- Your Stewardship Team

Total Amount Pledged for 2026: \$152,990 (Total Pledges received: 22)

Today's Worship Leaders

Pat Cole joined Crescent Hill Baptist Church in 1987 while serving as Director of News and Information at Southern Seminary. After leaving Southern in the 1990s, he was able to continue his communications career in Louisville and is now retired. While a member of CHBC, he met and married Janet, who was then the Pastor's Secretary. Today, they enjoy trying (unsuccessfully) to keep pace with their granddaughter, Amelia.

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, while Isao attended Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, one of the first people from Japan to do so. Mitz works in Harrodsburg, KY near Centre College in Danville, in warranty department of Toyota Boshoku America, an automotive company that makes interior parts, like seats. He enjoys music and movies, but his favorite thing to do is eat! His favorite dishes are Chicken or Turkey Tetrazzini and tomato pie.

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](https://www.crescenthillbaptistchurch.org).



At most gatherings, an American Sign Language interpreter is at the front of the Sanctuary.

Our Partners in Ministry:



November

9

12:00 PM

Blessing of Heritage Hall - After Worship

Please join us in Heritage Hall after today's worship service for a blessing to commemorate the renovation of this space. Thank you to the Building Team and to all those who volunteered, for your work and dedication to this renovation. **If you haven't had the opportunity to help with donations it is not too late!** Even with the additional work we are near budget due to your generosity. Thank you!



November

9

6:00 PM

Congregational Care Team Meeting - Tonight

Many of you have voiced an interest in this ministry. **For a conversation about showing care for others in our church please join us for a supper/planning meeting on Sunday, November 9 at 6:00pm.** We will meet for soup and to do some brain storming and sharing of ways to address needs in our congregation. Come to the party room at 5800 Coach Gate Wynde. RSVP to Margaret Graves (margaretr.graves@gmail.com) if you hope to attend.



New Process for Payments and Reimbursements

A process has been developed to simplify payment requests for reimbursement and invoice payment. A new form is located in the office next to the mailboxes. Please complete it and attach supporting documentation. It should then be placed in the box labeled **PAYMENT REQUESTS FOR REVIEW**. Eileen Bartlett and Melanie Bunger will review these forms and coding them for the correct expense account/designated fund before submitting them to our Financial Secretary for payments. Note that checks are signed on Wednesday and Sundays. Please allow 2 weeks for processing. **If you have questions or suggestions, please email treasurer@chbcky.org.**



CBF Kentucky Bridge to Interim Ministry



CBF Kentucky exists to serve congregations like Crescent Hill, especially during times of ministerial transitions. Bob Fox, the coordinator of CBF Kentucky, has served more than a dozen churches in the past seven years as they have navigated this important time. He will provide a short-term preaching interim focused on preparing our church to enter the between-time period of the interim. In addition, he will offer presence and limited administrative and pastoral support during this period. He will work with the Interim Search Team to determine the type of interim services required and to provide possible names to consider. Bob will lead the church in a time to consider our narrative identity and create a telling of our story to share with candidates. Finally, he will walk alongside the Pastor Search Team as they prepare for and begin their search, providing instruction on best practices and support.

November

23

12:00 PM

CHBC Thanksgiving Potluck

Join your church family after worship on **Sunday, November 23** for a church-wide potluck celebrating Thanksgiving and all we have to be thankful for. Turkey will be provided and you can help by providing a dish to share! Desserts, sides, casseroles, rolls, another main dish... test your Thanksgiving recipes before the big day! Please fill out this form: go.chbc.live/mwzxn2d2 and let us know if you're planning to come and what you'll bring! Contact a member of the Hospitality Team, or email Hilary Jones at hhoomes@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Scan Here &
Tell Us What
You're Bringing



WEDNESDAYS AT CRESCENT HILL

November 12

Menu (5 PM): FABD Barbecue (Beef and Chicken), Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Mac & Cheese and a Dessert.

Program (6 PM): Bill Thomason Presents, "The Little Books of the Bible": Why Is the Book of Ruth in the Bible?

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

Please make or cancel reservations to the Church Office (churchoffice@chbcky.org) by Monday, November 10 @ 4PM. **Suggested Donation: \$10**

November

16

12:00 PM

Reception for Jordan Conley - November 16

On **Sunday, November 16** immediately following the church service, we will gather for a reception in Fellowship Hall to celebrate Jordan and Patrick's years of ministry with us. Please plan to join us for a time of fellowship, joy, and community. If you would like to contribute cookies, brownies, or other individual handheld desserts, please reach out to Hilary Jones at hhoomes@gmail.com.



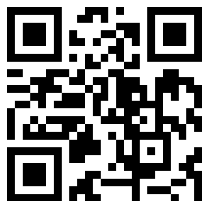
Love Offering for Jordan & Patrick

A special love offering will be collected to honor our pastor, Jordan Conley till his final day with us, November, 16. **You may give online or write a check.** Be sure to label your contribution as, "Jordan Conley 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 "Jordan Conley Love Offering" from the drop-down menu.



Interim Pastor Search Committee

The Church Council appreciates all of the nominations received for the CHBC Interim Search Team. **The members of this team are as follows: Frank Woggon, Blake Ragsdell, Rhonda Gilliland, Margaret Graves, Pat Cole, Brent Bowden, & Ezekiel Hand.** We ask for your prayers for this Team and our congregation as they work to find an Interim Pastor for CHBC.

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 extend Christian sympathy to Janet Hook, and her family, upon the passing of her mother, Betty Chesser.

We pray for Tom Doyon; Madge Roberts; Marjorie Ash; Carolyn Seiffert; Corinne Holt; Donnie Murphy; Blake Ragsdell; Eugina Robertson; Margot McCall Lehocky; Jose Chipe; CJ Phipps; Betty Schnur; Judy Hodge; and, Lolly Tucker. Also, Greg Robertson's aunt, Joyce Ann Robertson Berentz; Kerri Richardson-Cheng's friend, Jennifer Toll; Anna Bowden's sister, Cassie Hyde; Kat Goodman's friend, Danny Campbell; Ann Cottone's father and brother, John Revel and Johnny Revel; Annie Hammon's niece, Nancy; and Annie's brother, James Belling; 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.



**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.