

**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**APRIL 26, 2026**



**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

## GREETING

Kat Goodman

## THE WORK &amp; 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 in which you would be very welcome.

## 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.**

*Please make your way back to your seat as the Prelude begins.*

## PRELUDE

*Chaconne*

Louie Couperin

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come today to worship the risen Christ, God among us.

**All: Christ is found in the midst of life, in the faces of friends and strangers.**

Leader: We come to find help as we make our way through difficult times.

**All: In our anger, our grief, and sorrow, Christ is with us.**

Leader: We come to give thanks for the amazing gift of life.

**All: In our attention to truth and beauty, in our joy and gratitude, Christ is with us.**

Leader: Come, let us worship.

**All: Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## \*HYMN OF PRAISE 86

*We Come, O Christ, to You*

DARWALL

We come, O Christ, to you,  
true Son of God and man,  
by whom all things consist,  
in whom all life began:  
in you alone we live and move,  
and have our being in your love.

You are the Way to God,  
your blood our ransom paid;  
in you we face our Judge  
and Maker unafraid.

Before the throne absolved we stand,  
your love has met your law's demand.

You are the living Truth!  
All wisdom dwells in you,  
the Source of every skill,  
the one eternal True!  
O great I AM! In you we rest,  
sure answer to our every quest.

You only are true Life,  
to know you is to live  
the more abundant life  
that earth can never give:  
O risen Lord! We live in you:  
in us each day your life renew!

*Margaret Clarkson, 1946, rev. 1984*

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

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

## MUSICAL OFFERING

*Lord, For Thy Tender Mercies Sake*

Richard Farrant

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake,  
lay not our sins to our charge,  
but forgive that is past,  
and give us grace to amend our sinful lives.

To decline from sin and incline to virtue,  
that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee,  
now and evermore.  
Amen.

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

## LESSON FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE: PEW BIBLE, 60

Exodus 14:5-14

Dr. Lewis Brogdon

When the king of Egypt was told that the people had fled, the minds of Pharaoh and his officials were changed toward the people, and they said, "What have we done, letting Israel leave our service?" So he had his chariot made ready and took his army with him; he took six hundred elite chariots and all the other chariots of Egypt with officers over all of them. The LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued the Israelites, who were going out boldly. The Egyptians pursued them, all Pharaoh's horses and chariots, his chariot drivers and his army; they overtook them camped by the sea, by Pi-hahiroth, in front of Baal-zephon. As Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the LORD. They said to Moses, "Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, 'Let us alone so that we can serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness." But Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the LORD will accomplish for you today, for the Egyptians whom you see today you shall never see again. The LORD will fight for you, and you have only to keep still."

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## WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY

*The Frustrating Work of Change*

Dr. Lewis Brogdon

## HYMN OF REFLECTION 559

*Make Room Within My Heart*

KINGSFOLD

Make room within my heart, O God,  
that You may form in me  
the image You have shown in Christ,  
my very life to be.  
Inspire my thought, O lofty One,  
to reach the highest plane,  
that I may know the mind of Christ,  
and Him as greatest gain.

Direct my will, O King of kings,  
subject it to Your own,  
that every impulse, action, word,  
may make Your kingdom known.  
Effect my prayer, great Trinity,  
eternal Three in One;  
combine each part of me to praise  
the Father, Spirit, Son.

*Bryan Jeffery Leech, 1973*

LITANY OF RESPONSE

Pat Cole

Leader: We praise you, O God, for the Resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ.

**All: He became flesh and lived among us.**

Leader: He showed us how to live in the way you had planned for us.

**All: To love God, to love our neighbor as ourselves, and to have faith that you are in control.**

Leader: He has conquered death and calls to us.

**All: Let us answer that call, joyfully following the one whose love transforms all of life, even ours.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

SILENCE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

*Offertoire*

Jean Francois Dandrieu

\*EASTER DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Christ, all people here below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the Spirit evermore. Praise Triune God whom we adore. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*INVITATION TO RESPOND

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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

*Help Us Accept Each Other*

LANCASHIRE

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*

BENEDICTION

Dr. Lewis Brogdon

POSTLUDE

*March*

Henry Purcell

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

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# 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.

**Kat Goodman** is originally from Henderson, Kentucky but has lived in Louisville for 20 years. Kat and her partner, Andrea, live in their home not far from the zoo. Good books brought her to our book group, thanks to persistent invitations from a friend. The kind, thoughtful people drew her into the congregation. In her own words she says, "Finally, I am 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:



# WEEKLY CALENDAR

## SUNDAY, APRIL 26

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)

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29

5:00 Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 Drawing from the Well of

Scripture (Fellowship Hall)

Frankfort Avenue Group

(Heritage Hall)

7:00 Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

## THURSDAY, APRIL 30

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](http://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](http://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.



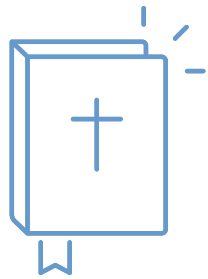
### FROM YOUR IRA.

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.

## Drawing from the Well of Scripture Bible Study - April 29

April  
**29**  
6:00 PM

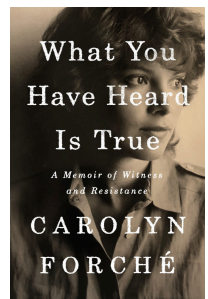
As a reminder, Pastor Brogdon is asking those that plan to attend Bible study **this Wednesday, April 29** to identify two places in scripture that provide nourishment, insight, inspiration, hope, and or challenge. What ideas and stories in the Bible do you keep going back to and wrestling with? We are going to talk about and map the ways scripture guides our lives and work as a church.



## Reading Group

April  
**30**  
7:00 PM

*What You Have Heard Is True*, by Carolyn Forché, is a lyrical, and visionary memoir about a young woman's brave choice to engage with horror in order to help others. Written by one of the most gifted poets of her generation, this is the story of a woman's radical act of empathy, and her fateful encounter with an intriguing man who changes the course of her life. Join us in discussing this nonfiction selection on **April 30, at 7:00 PM, in the parlor**. Contact: Bobbie Thomason [bobbijt@icloud.com](mailto:bobbijt@icloud.com)



## Firearm Safe Surrender Event

May  
**31**  
2PM - 4PM

Grace Hope Presbyterian Church (702 E Breckinridge Street) will be hosting a firearm safe-surrender event on **Sunday, May 31 from 2 PM-4 PM**. If you have any unwanted guns, bring them to the event - unloaded and in the rear of your vehicle. Guns will be removed from your vehicle and serial numbers will be recorded. The disabling and reconstruction of gun materials will be forged into tools, art, or jewelry at a later date. For more information, contact [guns2gardenslouisville@gmail.com](mailto:guns2gardenslouisville@gmail.com).



## Part-time Job Available at Just Creations

Just Creations, Louisville's Fair Trade Marketplace, is seeking a part-time Sales Associate to work 10:00 AM- 2:00 PM Monday-Friday. Requirements: communication and organizational skills; commitment to Fair Trade and the mission of Just Creations. Send letter and resume by May 15 to: Just Creations, 2722 Frankfort Ave., Louisville, KY 40206; or email [info@justcreations.org](mailto:info@justcreations.org).



May  
**29**  
8:00 PM

## Louisville Racing FC Pride Night

Join CHBC and other faith communities in cheering on the Louisville Racing Football Club during their 2026 Pride Night! The game will be **May 29 at 8 PM**. Scan the QR Code to purchase your tickets at a discounted rate!



# WEDNESDAYS AT CRESCENT HILL

**Wednesday, April 29**

**Menu (5 PM):** Derby Menu!

Burgoo, Cornbread and Derby Pie/Bars

**Program (6 PM):** Drawing from the Well of Scripture  
Part 2.

**Choir Practice (7 PM)** in the Choir Room.

Please RSVP to the [Church Office](mailto:churchoffice@chbcky.org)  
(churchoffice@chbcky.org) by  
Monday, April 27 @ 4PM.  
**Suggested Donation: \$10**



## Thank you for Adopting the Little Free Pantry!

**April:** Barnabas Class

**May:** Women's Group

**June:** Solidarity Class

While the sponsoring groups take the responsibility for stocking the pantry twice a week, the food collections every third Sunday help supplement their efforts!

**Please consider helping stock our food pantry by bringing non-perishable food items and hygiene products every third Sunday to CHBC. Thank you!**



If you have a group or team that is interested in adopting and stocking the Little Free Pantry for a month, please contact a member of the Missions Response Team!

### 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](mailto:congregationalcare@chbcky.org).

**We extend Christian sympathy to the family & friends of Gordon, Michael and Michelle Seiffertt upon the passing of Carolyn Seiffertt.**

We pray for Joyce Stines; Bobbie Ann Cox; Tina Marvin; June Bailey; Eh Thaw Thaw; Jane Rose-Zupetz; Stephen R. Holt; Jerry and Sharon Smith; Tom Doyon; Marjorie Ash; Donnie Murphy; Eugina Robertson; Margot McCall Lehocky; Jose Chipe; CJ Phipps; Betty Schnur; Judy Hodge; and, Lolly Tucker. Also, Judy Pessolano's mother, Joyce White and her nephew, David Pessolano; Nate Creech's aunt, Laura Stewart and his Grandmother, Janice Creech; Sharon Smith's cousin, Eugene Friend; Kat Goodman's friend, Danny Campbell; Ann Cottone's father, John Revel; Annie Hammon's niece; Nancy; and Joyce Deboe's friend, Phyllis. For those affected by the conflict in the Middle East. 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.

