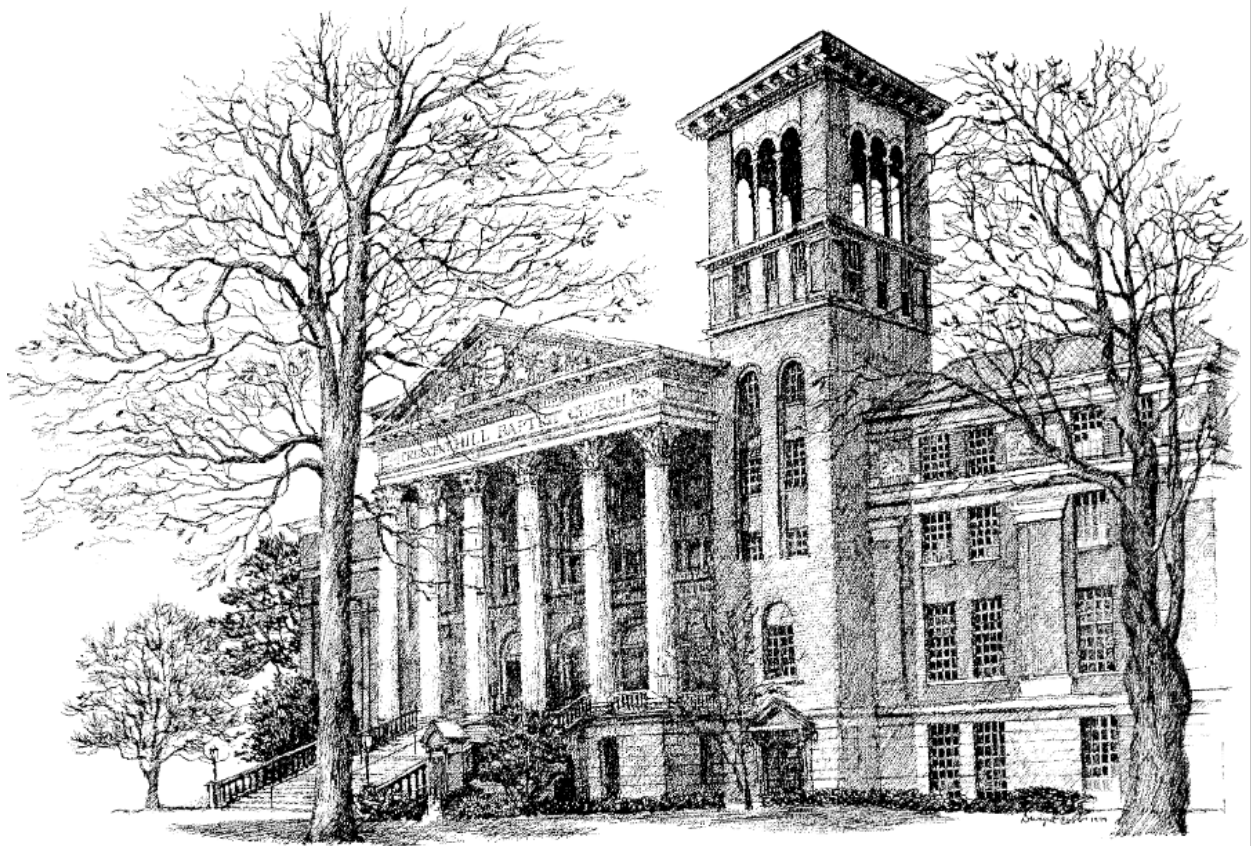




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Crescent Hill
BAPTIST CHURCH

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10:45 AM

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

Annie Hammon

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 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

Give Me Jesus
Ian Hooper

Fernando Ortega

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather today seeking God's presence.

All: God is here as we meet to offer praise and prayer.

Leader: God is here in the air we breathe.

All: Let us breathe in the Spirit of Love.

Leader: God is here in the goodness of people.

All: Let us be present to the welcoming of one another.

Leader: God is here in the encouragement given us to face each day anew.

All: Let us welcome this encouragement, this goodness, this breath of Love!

*HYMN OF PRAISE 52

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

I sing the mighty power of God
that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad
and built the lofty skies.

I sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day;
the moon shines full at God's command,
and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord
that filled the earth with food;
God formed the creatures with God's word
and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how your wonders are displayed,
where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread
or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below
but makes your glories known;
and clouds arise and tempests blow
by order from your throne;
while all that borrows life from you
is ever in your care,
and everywhere that I may be,
you, God, are present there.

Isaac Watts, 1715, alt.

Happy is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways. You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be happy, and it shall go well with you. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table. Thus shall the man be blessed who fears the LORD. The LORD bless you from Zion. May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life. May you see your children's children. Peace be upon Israel!

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

*HYMN OF REFLECTION 45

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

Come, thou fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy praise;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above;
praise his name – I'm fixed upon it,
name of God's redeeming love.

O to grace how great a debtor daily
I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee:
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, O, take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

Robert Robinson, 1758, alt.

Here I raise my Ebenezer,
hither by thy help I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the throne of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
bought me with his precious love.

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

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURE: PEW BIBLE, 1

Genesis 1 (Select Verses)

Dr. Lewis Brogdon

Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. **And God saw that the light was good.** And God separated the light from the darkness...And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so...God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. **And God saw that it was good.**...And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars...And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. **And God saw that it was good.**...And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day...²¹ So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. **And God saw that it was good.**...And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. **And God saw that it was good.**...**And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good.** And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

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

WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY

The Importance of Celebrating Your Successes

Dr. Lewis Brogdon

SILENCE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Kat Goodman

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.

LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

Dr. Lewis Brogdon

Leader: All that we have and all that we are come from God.

People: With gratitude, we return a portion of these gifts in worship and service.

Leader: God invites us to use our time, talents, resources, and opportunities for the common good.

People: May our lives bear witness to the generosity of God.

Leader: Receive these gifts, O Lord, and use them for the work of Your kingdom.

People: May they bring hope to the weary, healing to the broken, and justice to the world. Amen.

OFFERING OF OURSELVES, OUR TITHES & OUR GIFTS

Our regular tithes and offerings support the budgeted ministries of Crescent Hill Baptist Church.

MUSICAL OFFERING

How Great Thou Art
Ian Hooper

Stuart Hine

*PENTECOST DOXOLOGY

OLD 100TH

Praise God, whose breath fills all the earth, Whose love reveals our sacred worth, Whose Spirit forms one family, Whose Grace brings peace and harmony. Amen.

Roger Lynn

*INVITATION TO RESPOND

Dr. Lewis Brogdon

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

We, O God, Unite Our Voices
The Crescent Hill Hymn

HYFRYDOL

We, O God, unite our voices,
raised in thankful praise to Thee.
Thou, unchanging, safe hath brought us
through the ever-changing sea.
Days of calm and days of conflict,
nights of darkness prove Thy grace.
Hands beneath us, arms around us,
and above, Thy shining face.

Seeing then the task before us
bind our hearts and hands as one.

May our labor be in union,
our resolve and Thine be one.

With one spirit let us labor
toward the bright horizon far.

In the midst of tempest peril
be Thy cross our guiding star.

Not our choice the wind's direction,
unforeseen the calm or gale.

Thy great ocean swells before us,
and our ship seems small and frail.

Fierce and gleaming is Thy myst'ry
drawing us to shores unknown;

Plunge us on with hope and courage
'til Thy Harbor is our home!

Grady Nutt and Paul Duke, 1981

BENEDICTION

Dr. Lewis Brogdon

POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God

Russell Schulz-Widmar

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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.

Today's Worship Leaders

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."*

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 cat, Magpie. She likes people and loves Tumbleweed!

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.

Cathi Roy grew up in Jeffersonville, Indiana, and has lived in the Louisville area all her life. Since retiring as controller after 30+ years from the Kentucky Baptist convention, Cathi has been working to deconstruct her faith and sort through all she was taught in SBC life. She enjoys walking in the Parklands, listening to and reading books, crocheting water filter covers for Water By Women, being a cat mom and traveling internationally and in the US. Her daughter and son-in-law live in Columbia, MO where they are both busy doctors and parents to Cathi's granddog, Louie. Upon entering CHBC on Easter 2025, she felt like she was home. She's active in the reading group and hopes to find other ways to become active.

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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, JULY 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

7:00 Cherokee Triangle Concert
(Gazebo in Willow Park)

MONDAY, JULY 27

5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

6:00 Frankfort Avenue Group
(Heritage Hall)

THURSDAY, JULY 30

5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

5:45 Change of Heart (Heritage Hall)

7:00 Reading Group (Parlor)



Tonight, July 26

Cherokee Triangle Concert
Gazebo in Willow Park @ 7PM



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 (treasurer@chbcky.org) 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 (treasurer@chbcky.org). 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 (treasurer@chbcky.org) to learn how this could reduce your future tax burden and fulfill your Required Minimum Distribution.



Go CHBC!

We are pleased to announce that we helped United Crescent Hill Ministries pack **140 bags of school supplies for students in the 40206 area!**

Thank you to everyone who helped sponsor a child as they prepare to return to school. Your donations help ensure these students will come to class prepared, confident and ready to learn!



July
26
7:00 PM

Cherokee Triangle Concert - Tonight!

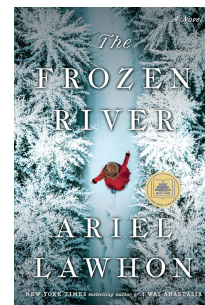
Join us this evening, **July 26 from 7 PM - 9 PM at the Gazebo in Willow Park** for Cherokee Triangle's Summer Concert Series! July 26 will be the "Appalatin" night (Caribbean/Appalatin/Latin). This will be an end-of-summer get-together. All are welcome! This event is free and unticketed. However, please bring a donation to support the Highland's Community Ministries' Food pantry.



July
30
7:00 PM

Reading Group

Need a good book to cool you off this summer? In July our Reading Group will be discussing *Frozen River*, by Ariel Lawhon. This historical murder mystery was inspired by the real-life diary of Martha Ballard, a late 18th century midwife living in Maine. Join us **July 30 in the parlor at 7:00 PM**. Contact: Bobbie Thomason. bobbijt@icloud.com



August
9, 16

Display Your Artwork! Annual Expressions Art Exhibit

In addition to featuring images related to the 100th anniversary of the 1926 CHBC building and the work of the Art Spirit Group, we would like to exhibit art work of other members of the church and/or their relatives. We can exhibit either the originals or copies. **If you have artwork you would like to display please contact John Arnett. Arnettj1@gmail.com or 502-592-8466.**



New Pew Cards for Online Giving

The Stewardship Team is pleased to announce that we will be placing new cards in the pews beginning July 26th! As many of us have moved our day to day financial activities to cards and digital transactions, our giving has followed suit, including our tithe. While this is great for those of us who do not have as many checks lying around, it takes away from our ability to participate during the offering as we pass the plate. **These new cards will give our online givers and those who give in ways beyond money a chance to participate in this act of generosity during worship. You can mark whether you have given online, volunteered, or donated items, as well as if you have a need or prayer request.** Please be on the lookout for the new green cards!



September

19

2:00 PM

Save the Date: 2026 William M. Johnson Lecture Series

The 2026 Johnson Lecture welcomes Rev. Paul Brandeis Raushenbush, President and CEO of Interfaith Alliance, for an **engaging and timely conversation about courage, democracy, and the role of faith in public life.** Drawing from history and contemporary challenges, Rev. Raushenbush will explore how diverse faith traditions can become forces for hope, justice, and resistance to extremism. Tickets are \$23.18/each. Scan the QR Code for more information.



St. Joe's Picnic Parking

Parking for the St. Joe's picnic is a church-wide effort, and funds raised will be contributed to the general fund to support the missions and ministries of the church. Volunteers are needed to direct cars on where to park, collect money, and monitor empty spots in the church parking lots.

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5-6 volunteers are needed for each shift:

- **Friday August 7th:** 4-6pm, 6-8pm, 8-10pm
- **Saturday August 8th:** 12-2pm, 2-4pm, 4-6pm, 6-8pm, 8-10pm.



Sign up for 1 or 2 slots or whatever time fits your schedule. Those on the first shift each day will help with setup. Those on the ending shifts will help take the items back to church.

Please contact Melanie Bunker (502-435-6189), melanie.bunker@twc.com if you can help. Come join the fun!



Scan Here to
Sign Up Online

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 Rickey Bayman; Kris Brady; Tina Marvin; Margaret McCollum; Jackie Sharoudi Williams; Joyce Stines; Bobbie Ann Cox; June Bailey; Jerry and Sharon Smith; Marjorie Ash; Donnie Murphy; CJ Phipps; Betty Schnur; Judy Hodge; and, Lolly Tucker. Also, Margaret McCollum's nephew; Rickey Bayman's sister, Shelia Grivil; Amy Brogdon's sister, Patty Issacs; Nate Creech's cousins, Sarah & Demond; Susan Lockwood's grandson, Quinn Wright; Milton Gardner's great-grandson, Kingston Gardner; Amelia Debusman's sister, Becky Thomas; Kat Goodman's friends, Martin Ross and Danny Campbell; Judy Pessolano's nephew, David Pessolano; and Sharon Smith's cousin, Eugene Friend. 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.

