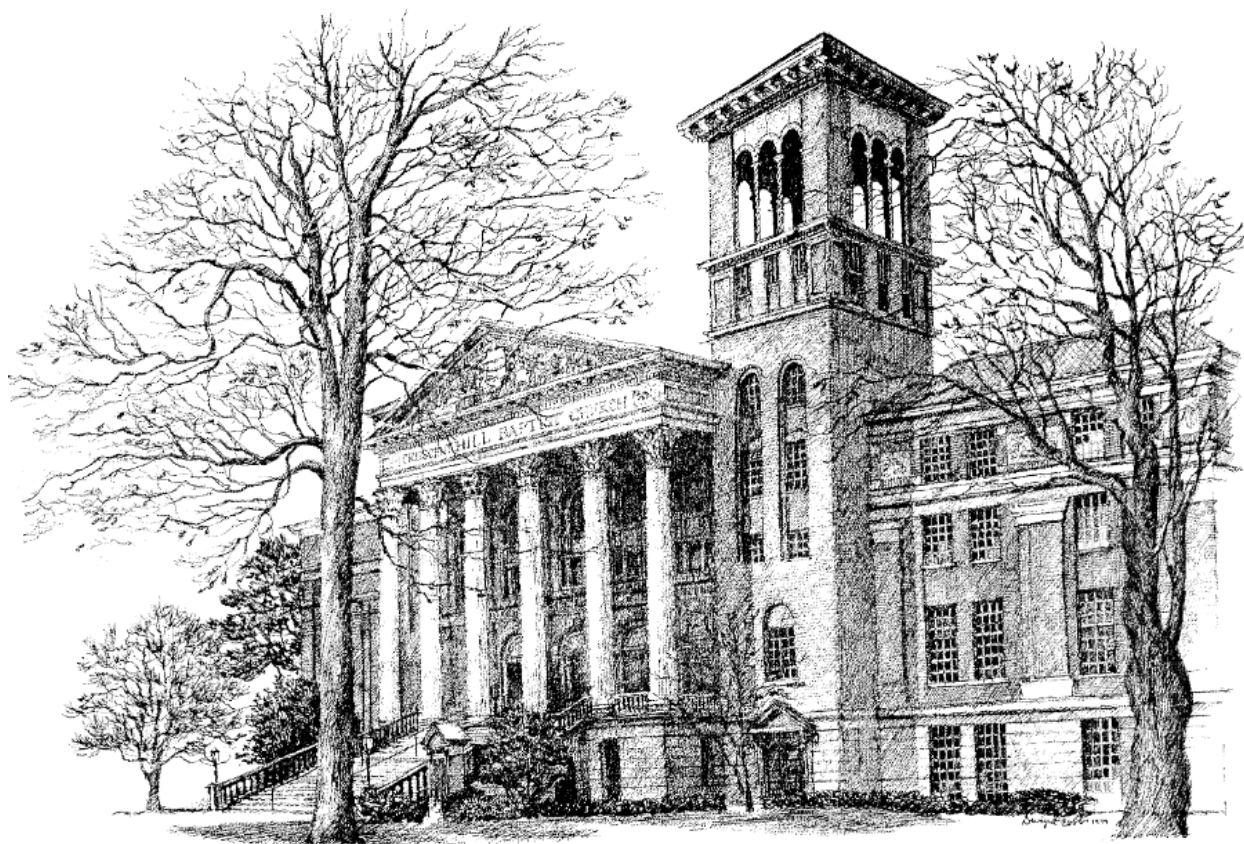




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Crescent Hill
BAPTIST CHURCH

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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

Valorie Horn

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

I Need Thee Every Hour

Robert Lowry
arr. Dale Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: You have called us to this place, O Lord.

People: Each one of us is unique, with differing gifts and talents.

Leader: Yet each talent represented here is valuable in God's realm.

People: Lord, help us find ways in which to use our talents for healing and hope.

Leader: Come, let us praise the Lord who has called us here.

People: Let us open our hearts and spirits to God's word for us. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 461

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

ABERYSTWYTH

Jesus, Lover of my soul,
let me to thy bosom fly,
while the nearer waters roll,
while the tempest still is high;
hide me, O my Savior, hide,
till the storm of life is past;
safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none;
hangs my helpless soul on thee;
leave, O leave me not alone,
still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
all my help from thee I bring;
cover my defenseless head
with the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
More than all in thee I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name,
I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am,
Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found,
grace to cover all my sin;
let the healing streams abound;
make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art;
freely let me take of thee;
spring thou up within my heart,
rise to all eternity.

Charles Wesley, 1738

LESSON FROM THE EPISTLES: PEW BIBLE, 162

Romans 12:9-21

Eh Nay Thaw

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 suffering; persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend 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 haughty, 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. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord.” No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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

DEDICATION OF EHLAH FOREST HTOO-THAW

Rev. Jason Crosby

INTRODUCTION OF THE FAMILY – JULIA HTOO & EH NAY THAW

COVENANT OF DEDICATION

Minister: By God’s love we are given children through the miracle of birth.

Congregation: We give God thanks.

Minister: May we greet each new child with joy, and surround them all with faith so they may know and follow Christ.

Congregation: Never let us neglect children, but help us to delight in them, showing them the welcome God has shown us all.

Minister: Julia and Eh Nay, as Ehlah’s parents, will you accept Ehlah as a gift from God? Will you commit yourselves to raise your son in an atmosphere of love and follow Christ as a model? Will you seek God’s wisdom, patience, and spirit for your journey as parents? Will you dedicate yourselves and Ehlah to the care and direction of God?

Parents: We will.

Minister: Family of faith, as the people brought little children to Jesus for him to bless, Julia and Eh Nay have brought Ehlah for us to bless.

Congregation: Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” Then he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on each of them, and blessed them.

As Jesus blessed the little children who came to him, we bless Ehlah Forest Htoo-Thaw. May he be nurtured in the faith and led to walk in the way of Jesus.

WORDS OF BLESSING

THE PRESENTATION OF BIBLE, CERTIFICATE & BLANKET

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN OF REFLECTION 539

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

HOUSTON

I want to walk as a child of the light;

I want to follow Jesus.

God set the stars to give light to the world;
the star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all;
the night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God:
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God;

I want to look at Jesus.

Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
and show me the way to the Father. **Refrain**

I'm looking for the coming of Christ;

I want to be with Jesus.

When we have run with patience the race,
we shall know the joy of Jesus. **Refrain**

Kathleen Thomerson, 1966

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

*READING OF THE GOSPEL: PEW BIBLE, 18

Matthew 16:13-23

Dr. Chris Caldwell

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist but others Elijah and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah. From that time on,

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

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

WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY

Spot on and On the Spot

Dr. Chris Caldwell

SILENCE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Jason Crosby

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

Draw Near, All Ye People of the Lord – Lord God of Abraham
Benjamin Ragsdell, Baritone & Rev. Dr. Louie Bailey, Piano

Felix Mendelssohn

*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

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 661

Be Strong in the Lord

FETTKE

Be strong in the Lord, and be of good courage,
your mighty Defender is always the same.
Mount up with wings, as the eagle ascending;
victory is sure when you call on his name.

Refrain:

Be strong, be strong, be strong in the Lord,
and be of good courage for he is your guide.
Be strong, be strong, be strong in the Lord,
and rejoice for the victory is won.

So put on the armor the Lord has provided,
and place your defense in his unfailing care.
Trust him for he will be with you in battle,
lighting your path to avoid every snare. **Refrain.**

Be strong in the Lord, and be of good courage;
your mighty Commander will vanquish the foe.
Fear not the battle for the victory is always his,
he will protect you wherever you go. **Refrain.**

Linda Lee Johnson, 1979

BENEDICTION

Dr. Lewis Brogdon

POSTLUDE

"Arrival of the Queen of Sheba" from Solomon

G.F. Handel

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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.

Today's Worship Leaders

Rev. Dr. Louie Bailey served as the Minister of Music and Organist at Crescent Hill for 40 years—the longest tenure of any music minister in CHBC's 117-year history. His wife, June, ministered along side him as our beloved Choir Director. Louie continues to serve as the Music Director at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, Highlands Latin School and The Temple.

Dr. Chris Caldwell was a pastor for 25 years before joining the full-time faculty of Simmons College of Kentucky in 2017. His goal in preaching and teaching is to allow the truths of scripture to shed light on the realities and struggles of everyday living. He holds degrees from Rhodes College, Southern Seminary, and Baylor University (PhD). He and his wife, Jeanne, have two adult children. Chris has a lifelong love of basketball, God's favorite sport, and communicates fairly well in Spanish.

Rev. Jason Crosby has served as the Chaplain at Centre College, his and Kate's alma mater, since 2022. Prior to this role, Jason was the Co-Pastor, here, at Crescent Hill Baptist Church for 14 years. He also serves on the Crusade for Children and Kentucky Refugee Ministries Boards of Directors. Jason is married to Kate and is the father of two young children, Brooks and Millie Lou.

Valorie Horn, a retired English and physical science educator, has been a member of CHBC with her late husband Ron since 1990. Their son, Cameron lives in Carmel, Indiana, and works as a lead pharmacist for Amazon. Millie, their daughter, is in her third year of a pulmonary critical care fellowship at Wash U. Valorie treasures her Barnabas Sunday School class and Chancel Ensemble, while also participating in Reading Group and the Gifts Affirmation Team. If not at CHBC, you can find her walking Charleston, their Golden-Doodle or working in her yard year-round.

Eh Nay Thaw was born in Karen State, Burma. In 1997, his family fled the war and sought refuge in Thailand. He resettled in the United States in late 2007.

Julia Htoo was born in Mae La Refugee Camp in Thailand and resettled in Columbia, South Carolina, in 2010. Their paths eventually crossed when they met in late 2020. After building a life together, they married in 2025 and currently live in Pekin, Indiana.

Welcome New Minister of Music, Nolan Anthony



We are pleased to announce that Nolan Anthony was approved by the congregation at a called meeting on Sunday, August 23rd. He will start on August 31st. Laura Lea will continue to work with him during this transition. We look forward to the future and appreciate Laura Lea for her talents and willingness to step into an interim position these past months.

Nolan is from Henderson, NC and was introduced to music at an early age. He has been on organist and accompanist since 2014 in various Methodist churches in North and South Carolina. During his graduate studies, two years were spent at a Baptist church in Virginia as Minister of Music, organist, and choir director. Over the past 10 months Nolan completed an internship in organ and church music at the Cathedral of St. Phillip in Atlanta, GA.

He has a Bachelor of Music from Furman University and a Master's in Organ Performance from the University of NC. School of the arts. He now plans to further his leadership and directing abilities to glorify God through his music. He looks to provide a diversity in our worship service as well as encouraging us to be a part of a spiritual, musical journey through our participation.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

- 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)
- 12:00 Louie Bailey's 80th Birthday Celebration (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:00 Divorce Recovery

MONDAY, AUGUST 31

- 5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

- 12:00 Game Day (Library)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

- 5:00 Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 Susan Howell Presents: *Using Your Smarts to Impact the World* (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 Frankfort Avenue Group (Heritage Hall)
- 7:00 Choir Practice (Choir Room)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

- 5:00 Pickleball (Gym)
- 5:45 Change of Heart (Heritage Hall)

Louie Bailey's 80th Birthday Celebration

After Worship in Fellowship Hall

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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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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.

80th Birthday Celebration for Louie Bailey Today after Worship

August

30

12:00 PM

You are invited to an 80th Birthday Celebration for Louie Bailey, retired CHBC Minister of Music/Organist, **today after worship, from 12 PM-2 PM in Fellowship Hall!** Join us for food, fellowship, music, and memories. We welcome written recollections of specific events to include in a Book of Memories. **If you are unable to attend and would like to send a card, please mail it to 4704 Fox Den Court, Louisville, KY 40241.** No presents, please-just your presence and greetings!



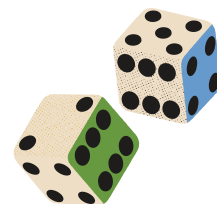
September

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12:00 PM

Game Day

Roll the dice and practice your poker face for game day! Meet in the Library **Tuesday, September 1 at 12 PM.** Be sure to bring your lunch and your favorite games!



Expressions Art Exhibit Extended!

If you have not had the opportunity to see the Expressions Art Exhibit in the Library, you are in luck! The exhibit will remain on display through Labor Day. The Barnabas Class will resume meeting in their usual location. The exhibit features images related to the 100th anniversary of the 1926 CHBC building, pieces from the Art Spirit Group and pieces from CHBC members.



The Big Table: City-Wide Gathering

What if one shared meal could make Louisville feel a little more connected? The Big Table is a citywide gathering that brings people from across our community together to share food, stories, and conversation. There are no speeches and no agenda. Everyone is welcome. Come on your own, bring your family or friends, or invite someone whose voice you think should be at the table. **Join us Sunday, September 13, from 5-7 PM at Iroquois Park. Learn more and register at thebigtable.us.**



September

13

5:00 PM

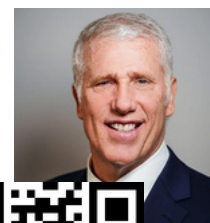
September

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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.



WEDNESDAYS AT CRESCENT HILL

Wednesday, September 2

Menu (5 PM): Baked Potato Bar, Cole Slaw and a Dessert.

Program (6 PM): Susan Howell Presents: *You're Smarter Than You Think: Using Your Smarts to Impact the World.*

Choir Practice (7 PM) in the Choir Room.

Please RSVP to the Church Office
(churchoffice@chbcky.org) by
Monday, August 31 @ 4PM.
Suggested Donation: \$10



September

3

5:30 PM

Spirit of Crescent Hill Award Honors the Flower Buds

Save the date to celebrate the 2026 recipients of the Spirit of Crescent Hill Award at the annual Dessert with the Mayor! Join us as we honor this year's Spirit of Crescent Hill Award recipients: Stephen Zink, Mike O'Leary, The Flower Buds and the wonderful ghosts and ghouls of Hillcrest Avenue. Please join your friends and neighbors for this special event on **September 3 at 5:30 PM at the Peterson Dumesnil House.**



September

26

4:00 PM

Fall Fish Fry Festival Benefiting UCHM

You are invited to the 2nd annual Fall Festival Fish Fry on **September 26 from 4 PM to 8 PM.** This event will take place on the front lawn of Crescent Hill Baptist Church and St. Mark's Episcopal and the proceeds will go towards benefiting United Crescent Hill Ministries. Enjoy music, games, and food options like kids' meals, hot dogs, and beverages.



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 Gordon Seiffert; Bonnie Lyons; Joyce Deboe; Danny Raymer; Kris Brady; Margaret McCollum; Jackie Shahrودي 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, Ken Duckworth and his family; Sydney Gardner's friend, Lauren Hibberd; Margaret McCollum's nephew; 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; 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.

