

The Worship of God
Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
October 25, 2026

Crescent Hill
BAPTIST CHURCH

OCTOBER 25, 2026 THE WORSHIP OF GOD 10:45 AM

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

GREETING Chris Conver

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 *Thee We Adore* Robert Hebble

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Before our days began, God was God.
People: Beyond all we can see or understand, God is still God.
Leader: We do not know everything the future holds or understand every mystery of life.
People: But we place our lives within the mystery and goodness of God.
Leader: Come, finite people, into the presence of the eternal God.
People: With reverence, trust, and hope, let us worship together.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 20 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* ODE TO JOY

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee,
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in thee.

Mortals join the mighty chorus
Which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us,
Brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife;
Joyful music leads us sunward
In the triumph song of life.

Henry Van Dyke, 1907

LESSON FROM THE PSALTER: PEW BIBLE, 548 Psalm 90:1-12 Bill Thomason

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. You turn us back to dust, and say, "Turn back, you mortals." For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night. You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning; in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers. For we are consumed by your anger; by your wrath we are overwhelmed. You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your countenance. For all our days pass away under your wrath; our years come to an end like a sigh. The days of our

life are seventy years or perhaps eighty, if we are strong; even then their span is only toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away. Who considers the power of your anger? Your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you. So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.

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

*HYMN OF REFLECTION 514 *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine* ASSURANCE

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.
This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending, bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.
This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

Fanny J. Crosby, 1873

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, 484 Job 38:1-8; 40:1-9 Dr. Lewis Brogdon

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man; I will question you, and you shall declare to me. "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? "Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?"…And the LORD said to Job: "Shall a faultfinder contend with the Almighty? Anyone who argues with God must respond." Then Job answered the LORD: "See, I am of small account; what shall I answer you? I lay my hand on my mouth. I have spoken once, and I will not answer, twice but will proceed no further." Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Gird up your loins like a man; I will question you, and you declare to me. Will you even put me in the wrong? Will you condemn me that you may be justified? Have you an arm like God, and can you thunder with a voice like his?"

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

WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY *Faith and the Unknown* Dr. Lewis Brogdon

SILENCE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE David Eisenmenger

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.

STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS: THE GENEROUS LIFE Karen Scott

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 — *O for a Heart to Praise My God* — Robert Wetzler

O for a heart to praise my God,
A heart from sin set free:
A heart that always feels thy blood
So freely spilled for me.

A humble, lowly, contrite heart,
Believing true, and clean,
Which neither life nor death part
From him who dwells within.

Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart,
Come quickly from above;
Write thy name upon my heart,
thy best name of Love.

Impart thy name of Love.

*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 358 — *Eternal Father, Strong to Save* — MELITA

Eternal Father, strong to save,
whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
who bidd'st the mighty ocean
deep its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee,
for those in peril on the sea.

O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain,
o'er which our traffic runs amain,
by mountain pass or valley low;
wherever, Lord, thy children go,
protect them by thy guarding hand
from every peril on the land.

O Spirit, whom the Father sent
to spread abroad the firmament;
O Wind of heaven, by thy might
save all who dare the eagle's flight,
and keep them by thy watchful care
from every peril in the air.

O Trinity of love and power,
thy children shield in danger's hour;
from rock and tempest, fire and foe,
protect them wheresoe'er they go;
thus evermore shall rise to thee
glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

William Whiting, 1860, st. 1,4;
st. 2-3, A Missionary Service Book, 1937

BENEDICTION — Dr. Lewis Brogdon

POSTLUDE — *In Christ There Is No East or West* — Gilbert Martin

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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 and Darrell Adams.

Today's Worship Leaders

Chris Conver has been with CHBC since the 1970s. He served on committees, volunteered in the Youth Department, and was most recently a Trustee. Chris teaches the Harbor Sunday School class. Dr. Conver is retired from Campbellsville University's Louisville Education Center, where he was an administrator and professor. He and his wife, Niki, are proud grandparents to five grandchildren.

David Eisenmenger and his wife, Adrienne have been members of CHBC since 2016. He has a background in pastoral care and counseling. He is drawn to spiritual formation, contemplative prayer, and recognizing God in everyday life, which are passions that he and Adrienne both share. They both also enjoy hiking and being outdoors.

Karen Scott has been a member for almost 45 years. In the past, she has served as Interim Children's Minister and still works with the children. She is a retired High School Math Teacher and currently volunteers at United Crescent Hill Ministries (UCHM) as part of the Wednesday Ladies crew in the United Market pantry. She and her husband, Tom are total CARDS fans with football and Women's Basketball as their favorite sports. They raised their 2 daughters in this church and are very proud of their five Grands!!!

Bill Thomason and his wife, Bobbie joined CHBC in 1965, having just graduated from Oklahoma Baptist University and, also, gotten married. Bill taught philosophy at the University of Louisville while completing his doctoral work at the seminary. He taught philosophy six years at U of L and then two more at Stetson University. Bill has published three books and has a fourth under consideration at Judson Press on the temptations of Jesus. He is finishing a fifth manuscript on the theology of the Song of Songs, and has also written many (unpublished) essays exploring the theological implications of secular films. Bill and Bobbie enjoy reading, travel (especially the British Isles), and movies.

2027 Pledge Cards are available in your bulletins. If you prefer to fill out your Pledge Card digitally, please scan the QR Code.

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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:

AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES USA — Serving as the hands and feet of Christ
cbf Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE
Alliance of Baptists
awab Association of Welcoming & Affirming Baptists

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

5:00 Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 Ministry Forum (Fellowship Hall)
Frankfort Avenue Group
(Heritage Hall)

7:00 Choir Practice (Choir Room)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

5:00 Pickleball (Gym)

5:45 Change of Heart (Heritage Hall)

7:00 Reading Group (Parlor)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

Happy Halloween!





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.

Crescent Hill This Week

October 25, 2026

October 25 12:00 PM

Chapel Painting Volunteers Needed



Chapel painting will take place after worship **today, October 25th from 12:30-3:30 P.M.**
Wear your painting duds and bring what brushes and rollers you might have. Come for a few hours or stay longer. Lunch will be provided. Please let Carolyn Fegenbush know your availability.

October 28 6:00 PM

Ministry Forum This Wednesday
Vote on Louisville Classical Academy

The lease negotiations are proceeding for the possibility for Louisville Classical Academy to be our next tenant. **The plan is for the vote of the congregation to take place at our next Ministry Forum on Wednesday, October 28th, at 6:00 PM.** Please plan to attend this important meeting.

Christmas Boxes to Support Eastern Kentucky



The holidays are fast approaching! It is time to begin preparing for Scarlette Jasper's annual Christmas box drive to support those in need in Eastern Kentucky.



1) Boxes are available for adoption both in the Narthex and Birchwood Lobby. Feel free to take more than one! Our church goal this year is to fill 100 boxes!

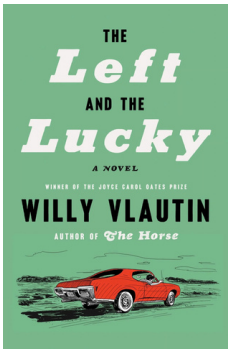
2) Please return the boxes to the Library in Birchwood Lobby on or before **November 8.**

3) Volunteers are needed to deliver boxes back to Corbin, KY. If you are interested in delivering boxes back during the week of November 9, please contact Melanie Claypool (502- 905-7150).

Please also join us in congratulating Scarlett Jasper on her recent marriage attended by Melanie Claypool, Allen Bartlett and Annette Ellard!

October 29 7:00 PM

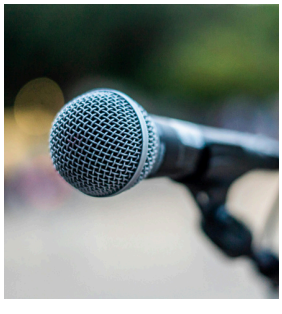
Reading Group



On **Thursday, October 29 at 7 PM,** the Reading Group will be led by Kat Goodman in a discussion of *The Left and the Lucky*, a novel by Willy Vlautin. All are invited to join us at the end of the month!

November 6 7:00 PM

Family Showcase-November 6



Let's have a fun evening together, sharing music and stories by members of our family here at Crescent Hill. **This is a call for volunteers and talents of all kinds!** Anything will be considered for the showcase, and if your talent is to make a nice dessert, we're happy to receive that as well! The "admission fee" will be a staple food item for the UCHM food pantry. Reach out to Alice Adams, Darrell Adams or Victoria Ragsdell if you wish to participate.

WEDNESDAYS AT CRESCENT HILL

Please make or cancel your reservations to the Church Office (churchoffice@chbcky.org) by Monday, October 26 @ 4PM. Suggested Donation: $10



Wednesday, October 28

Menu (5 PM): Lasagna, Salad, Breadsticks and Dessert.

Program (6 PM): Ministry Forum.

Choir Practice (7 PM) in the Choir Room.

Help Keep Our Online Directory Current



The online CHBC directory is a great tool to update your own contact information and to easily connect with other CHBC members! **If you have not done so recently, please login to the online directory and update your photo, email address and any other information you wish to provide.** *Please note that submitted changes will not show up immediately. When changes are made, the church office will receive an email to accept any changes. If you need assistance with the online directory please email Communications Specialist, Lillian Gordon (lillian@chbcky.org)

2026 Festival of Faiths

November 12

Join us at the 30th annual Festival of Faiths as we celebrate ***Sacred Courage*** and explore the many ways we can lead with radical love, stand for justice and embody bravery rooted in purpose. Through dialogue, workshops, art and music, the festival will foster a courageous compassion that honors our interdependence, calls us toward the common good and emboldens us to act. CHBC Interim Pastor, **Dr. Brogdon will be the Moderator during the panel discussion on November 12!**



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 Beth Milstead; Phyllis Skonicki; Charlotte Beason; Marjorie Ash and her son; Donnie Murphy; Bonnie Lyons; Joyce Deboe; Danny Raymer; Kris Brady; Margaret McCollum; Jackie Shahroudi Williams; Joyce Stines; Bobbie Ann Cox; June Bailey; Jerry and Sharon Smith; CJ Phipps; Betty Schnur; Judy Hodge; and Lolly Tucker. Also, Annie Hammon's brother-in-law, Jim Holladay; Kat Goodman's mother and friends, Barbara Womack, Martin Ross and Danny Campbell; Rickey Bayman's sister, Shelia Gravil; 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; and Amelia Debusman's sister, Becky Thomas. 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 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.

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.