

Life Together

Worship

January 5 — "Let Your Light Shine"—Isaiah 60:1-6; Matthew 2:1-12— Jason Crosby preaching

January 12—"The Baptized Life" - Isaiah 42:1-9; Matthew 3:13-17— Jason Crosby preaching

January 19—"Discipleship" - Isaiah 49:1-7; John 1:29-42—Jason Crosby preaching

January 26—"The Immediacy of the Gospel" - Isaiah 9:1-4— Matthew 4:12-23—Jason Crosby preaching

Wednesdays

January 8—TBD

January 15—Ministry Forum

January 22—The Evolution of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by Jason Crosby

January 29—Presentation by our youth on plans regarding Youth Ministry in 2020

Theology of the Cross Discussion Group

Sunday evenings during Lent, join us for discussions of theology, including modern and historical views of the Cross. We will use a section from Tony Jones' book *Did God Kill Jesus?* as a starting point each week. The group will meet from 5:00-6:00 PM in the church Media Center/Library, led by Josh and Brittani Bair. Group will run **Sundays March 1 - April 5**. Light refreshments offered. Childcare available. Participants are requested to obtain their own copy of the book prior to March 1 (available online). To sign up, contact Brittani Bair, brittani@chbcky.org.

Thank you, Thank you

Thanks to all those who contributed to various causes during the Advent season. We delivered nearly 100 boxes full of hats, gloves, hygiene items, school supplies, and toys to **children in eastern Kentucky**. We provided clothes and toys to nearly two dozen children via the **UCHM Christmas Connection**. We raised money for UCHM via participation by many in the **Santa Sprint 5K**. We also raised funds for the **Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Global Missions** in December. Thank you!

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WEST LOUISVILLE
CITY-WIDE BOOK CLUB
WITH DR. MEHRSA BARADARAN
PRESENTED BY SIMMONS COLLEGE OF KENTUCKY

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2020

Chat with the Author at 12 Noon
St. Matthew's Episcopal Church
330 North Hubbards Lane Louisville, Kentucky 40207
Admission: \$25 (includes lunch)

Conversation with the Author at 7:00pm
Crescent Hill Baptist Church
2800 Frankfort Avenue Louisville, Kentucky 40206
Admission: Free

Books available for purchase at Carmichael's and Amazon!

Eventbrite registration on www.eventbrite.com is required to attend this event | For more information contact info@simmons.edu

Reading Group

The Reading Group begins the new year with *The Tattooist of Auschwitz*, the 2018 novel by Heather Morris. We will gather to discuss the book on **Thursday, January 30** at 7:00 PM in the Church Parlor.

This beautiful, illuminating tale of hope and courage is based on interviews that were conducted with Holocaust survivor and Auschwitz-Birkenau tattooist Ludwig (Lale) Sokolov—an unforgettable love story in the midst of atrocity.

In April 1942, Lale Sokolov, a Slovakian Jew, is forcibly transported to the concentration camps at Auschwitz-Birkenau. When his captors discover that he speaks several languages, he is put to work as a *Tätowierer* (the German word for tattooist), tasked with permanently marking his fellow prisoners.

Imprisoned for over two and a half years, Lale witnesses horrific A vivid, harrowing, and ultimately hopeful re-creation of Lale Sokolov's experiences as the man who tattooed the arms of thousands of prisoners with what would become one of the most potent symbols of the Holocaust, *The Tattooist of Auschwitz* is also a testament to the endurance of love and humanity under the darkest possible conditions.

Discounted copies of the book are available at Carmichael's — just mention the CHBC Reading Group. Everyone is invited to read and join us for lively discussion and warm fellowship on a cold winter's evening.

Social Justice Movie




The overarching theme of 2020's Social Justice movies is politics as it is an election year. January's selection is *Frost/Nixon*, the 2008 film retelling of the post-Watergate television interviews between British talk-show host David Frost and former president Richard Nixon. Starring Frank Langella as Nixon and Michael Sheen as Frost, it is based on the 1977 interview to confront the questions of his time in office and the Watergate scandal that ended his presidency.

The movie will be shown **Friday, January 17** at 7:00 PM in the Church Parlor. All are welcome to view the film and join in the discussion following.

Other movies planned for the year include *Vice*, *All the President's Men*, *The Manchurian Candidate*, *Election*, and others.

January Birthdays and Calendar

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|-----------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 Day Bah | 1 Boe Reh | 11 Ed Canada | 20 Matthew Shahroudi |
| Poe Bu | Ah Ka Lu Say (8) | Doug Lowry | 22 Mary Ann Bootes |
| Pe Heh | 2 Dana Belden | 13 Phillip Goff | David Huey Cook |
| Gay Htoo | Hae Ku | Paw Moo (11) | Sharo Moo |
| Ku Ku | Hay Ler Thaw (13) | 14 Eric Buschman | Hsa Hay Blue Soe (9) |
| Lah Ku | 4 Hser Eh Say Ku (17) | David Eisenmenger | 24 Doh Soe |
| Lion Man | 5 Calrie | Bob Pessolano | 25 Bill Van Hoose |
| Dah Moo | Angie Hoyer | Carolyn Posey | 26 Ava Meador (3) |
| Hler Moo | Moo Gay Say | Tun Mya Win | 27 Barnabas K'Paw (11) |
| Shining Moon | Ta Lay Shee | 15 Jacob Bates | Eh Htee Ler Shee (8) |
| Ah Mu | 7 Tillie Brown | 16 Aaron Deifel | 29 Libby Scott Hill |
| Aung Mu | 8 Betsy Kettle Cole | 17 Rebecca Chin (20) | Just Sent Moo (11) |
| Quar Mu | David Kent | Terry Pound | Daniel Rademaker (18) |
| Wah Mu | Key Ler Ber Po | Jane Tynan | Ray Schnur III |
| Htee Lu Paw | 9 Der Lwe | 18 Moo Hku (18) | Rosie Scott |
| Kaw Mu Paw (18) | Ah Pyu | Bway Ku Wah (17) | 30 Rusty Henle |
| Sar Paw | Hsa Hei The Yu Yah (7) | Jonathan Wah (7) | David Straub |
| Say Moo Paw | 10 Barb Kibler | Mary-Kathleen West- | Tha Wah |
| Naw Pet | April Sanders | Pfingston (1) | 31 Andy Rawls |
| Bwe Poe | Benjamin Shahroudi | 19 Emily Williams | |
| Ah Ray | Erin Woggon | 20 Law Eh Soe Htoo (6) | |

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 No Sunday School	30 12:00 PM Game Day	31  Church Closes at Noon	1  Holiday - Church Closed	2	3	4
5	6	7 JCPS Resumes	8 7:15 PM Church Council 7:15 PM Sowers of Justice	9	10	11
12 12:15PM Ministry Coordination 12:15 PM Missions Response Team 12:15 PM Worship Team	13	14	15 6:30 PM Ministry Forum 7:15 PM Finance Team	16	17 7:00 PM Social Justice Movie	18
19 12:15 PM Personnel Team	20 Holiday - Church Closed 	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 7:00 PM Reading Group	31	1

CHBC STUDENT MINISTRY 2019 REPORT

In 2019, Crescent Hill Baptist Church accomplished some amazing ministry with students. Here are some of the highlights:

Wednesday Afternoons:

Each week a group of teenagers from around the world gathers in our youth room on Wednesday afternoon. We are American, Karen, Karenni, Chin, Burmese, Congolese, Nepali, Vietnamese, Chinese, and the list continues to grow. Our youth group is a refuge, a place for teenagers to belong, no matter where they come from.

Thank you to Beverly Baker, Michael Smith, Luke Griffin, Rhonda Gilliland and Marlene Schmitz who regularly assisted during Wednesday youth times. We are very grateful for the transportation assistance provided by Allen and Eileen Bartlett in the afternoons, and from Beverly Baker, Josh Bair, Glen Bellou, Adrienne Eisenmenger, Rhonda Gilliland, Margaret Graves, Ellen Massey, and Frank Woggon in the evenings. Additional assistance is needed from 3:30-5:15 to supervise our youth areas.

Sunday Mornings:

This year we have studied the Bible together, fellowshiped over breakfast, heard from special guests, and led in worship. We had after-church fellowships, marked transitions into middle school, high school, and college with gift Bibles and journals. We continue to have a great group of teachers including Carolyn Arnett, John Arnett, and Tim Baker.

CBFKY Missions Weekend:

We joined other youth groups at Georgetown College for a weekend of worship, Bible study, mission projects and fellowships. It was a great time of service, connection and growth for CBF youth from across the state. Youth served in homeless shelters, soup kitchens, habitat houses, community gardens and Quest Farm. Allen Bartlett assisted us with transportation.

Youth Passport:

Youth travelled to Gordon College in Wenham, MA this summer. Four of our youth were named "Honor Campers", based on their actions and attitude on the mission sites. We also won the camp volleyball tournament, defeating all other youth teams and the Passport staff.

On the way to camp, we viewed the U.S. side of Niagara Falls and worshipped with a congregation of American and Karen Baptists in Utica, NY. On our free day, teenagers born in the U.S., Thailand, and the Congo played together in the chilly Atlantic Ocean and went on a ghost tour in Salem. On our way home, they stood together in the summer heat beneath the Statue of Liberty and searched for whales in Boston Harbor. These amazing experiences bookended a week spent in service projects, Bible studies, worship, and fellowship with other Christian youth through Passport Missions. One of our seniors described the trip as "the best Passport ever". Our youth will carry these life changing experiences with them for the rest of their lives.

Youth parents were aided in making this possible for our youth by the fundraising efforts of during St. Joe's Picnic and other events, as well as the generosity of CHBC donors, donations from our Karen members, and scholarships from the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship that are available only to churches supporting CBF Field Personnel. We are exceedingly grateful for our chaperones and drivers, Allen Bartlett, Glen Bellou, Josh Bair, Millie Horn, Moo Rah Soe, and Kle Thu Po.



VBS: To Mars and Beyond!

Youth VBS included dinner, games, songs, and Bible study. We had about 20 different youth participate throughout the week and we celebrated with an outing to Lazer Blaze. We were grateful for assistance from our summer interns for this week of learning and fun.

Fall Retreat:

Youth spent a long weekend at Carter Caves State Park, exploring caves, hiking, and surviving the Haunted Trail. We worshipped at FBC Morehead, and ate some delightful meals together. We had daily Bible study and relaxed in the beauty of nature, singing and roasting marshmallows around campfires.

We explored Old Testament stories about finding God in the Wilderness and we took time to slow down, experiencing life at an easier pace. Our received compliments for their conduct from the staff of Carter Caves, the members of FBC Morehead, and the customers of the China Star Buffet. Special thanks to Allen Bartlett for driving, and chaperone assistance from college students, Washti Min, Lah May Paw, and Ler Lay Say.

CHBC Life After High School Group:

This year, we started a new ministry with those who have completed youth group. Targeting graduating seniors and those who graduated from high school within the past four years, we held a bonfire fellowship at Taylorsville Lake to kick-off a new group. We ate pizza, made s'mores, and had some singing. Thanks to Michael Smith and Luke Griffin for accompanying us.

Looking Ahead:

Please prayerfully consider in 2020 how you might invest not only your resources, but your heart, mind, and soul into the lives of our young people. Thank



Ministry Coordination

Beginning in January of 2020, representatives from the Church Council, with a representative member of each ministry team, will meet quarterly to coordinate the ministries of CHBC. With so many opportunities, ministries, and activities, we need to coordinate with all the teams so that efforts are not duplicated, opportunities do not overlap, and so that events can be added to the calendar in a timely fashion. This will also help with publicizing information for the teams.

The first Ministry Coordinating Meeting will be on **Sunday, January 12** following the Worship Service. At this meeting, we will look at the plans for the rest of January and February, and plan for March, April and May. In April, we will plan for June – August. In July, we will plan for September – November. In October, we will plan for December, January, February. We will continue that meeting pattern in 2021, meeting in January, April, July, and October.

What does this mean for Ministry Teams? 1) We need a representative of each team to be present for the Coordinating Meetings. 2) We need the teams to plan ahead and come in with ministry ideas that they would like to implement in the following quarter.

If you have questions regarding the Ministry Coordinating Meetings, please ask a member of the Church Council.

Baptist Seminary of Kentucky 2020 Dr. Glenn Hinson Lecture

Dr. Donyelle McCray, Assistant Professor of Homiletics, Yale Divinity School

Lecture 1 – The Apostle Pauli: Preaching as the Invitation to Freedom

Lecture 2 – Saint Langston: Friend of Prophets and Truthbearers

Monday, March 2, 2020; 10::30 AM—3:00 PM; St. Stephen Church, 1018 S. 15th Street

Registration Fee (includes lunch): \$10 per student; \$20 per on-student registered by January 24; \$30 per non-student registered after January 24

Dr. Donyelle McCray studies homiletics and Christian spirituality, focusing on African American preaching, sermon genre, and modes of authority. In her work, the sermon occupies the shoreline between sacred and profane speech and holds emancipatory potential within Christian liturgies and beyond them. She writes about the ways African American women and lay people use the sermon to play, remember, invent, and disrupt. Her recent book, *The Censored Pulpit: Julian of Norwich as Preacher*, offers a homiletical reading of Julian’s life and ministry and attends to the relationship between preaching, embodiment, and authority. Her current research examines the preaching and spirituality of the Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray. She is also working on a documentary film as part of the Louisville Institute’s Clergy-Scholar Research team on Race, Church, and Theological Practices.



2020 William M. Johnson Lecture—March 29-30, 2020



This year’s lecturer will be **Dr. Molly T. Marshall**, President and Professor of Theology and Spiritual Formation, Central Baptist Theological Seminary. Dr. Marshall will present a lecture on **Saturday, March 29** and will bring the sermon in morning worship **Sunday, March 30**.

Molly T. Marshall’s great passion in life is preparing women and men for ministry excellence. “I love to witness what transpires in the lives of students as they engage the great intellectual heritage of the church. I love even more when they discover their depth of giftedness and begin to sow seeds of hope in the congregations where they practice their craft.”

During her tenure as president, Central Seminary has moved the campus to a new location, opened multiple extension sites, constructed a partnership with Myanmar Institute of Theology, developed a Korean Studies program, launched a Women’s Leadership Initiative, and found new ways to focus the seminary’s mission in congregational health and global Christianity.

Previously, Dr. Marshall was Associate Professor of Theology at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. During part of her time at Southern, Molly was a member of Crescent Hill Baptist. Her experience in ministry is varied. She has served as youth minister, campus minister, and pastor in churches across Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, and Kentucky. She has written three monographs as well as numerous chapters in books, dictionary and journal articles, and Bible study curricula. She has also published six volumes of *Trinitarian Soundings*, a collection of reflections on the lectionary. Currently she is writing a commentary on Thessalonians for the BELIEF series.

Children, Family, and Community Ministries

Regular Weekly Activities

Sundays, 9:30-10:30 AM – Sunday School for all ages

Sundays, 5:00-6:30 PM – Divorce Recovery Childcare (room 104)

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 PM – Children's Activities

Young-ish Adults Lunch and Conversation

The young-ish adult group will gather in the Fellowship Hall on January 26. Please let Andrea know if you are coming and if you need childcare!

December Updates

We had a great time at our Elementary Christmas Party. Our children did a fabulous job singing during our Advent Vespers Service and December 15. We celebrated with Aurora Rose Hala for her baptism.



Getting to Know You

Each month we will be highlighting a family or individual member as a way to get to know each other. **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS** to be featured!! If you would be willing to let us highlight your family, please let Andrea know!

We are the Engelsmans. Doug, Keri, Asha (7) and Anya (5). Our family has attended CHBC since we moved to Louisville from Chicago in 2017. Doug is currently a chaplain for Hosparus Health and Keri is a substitute teacher.

We are involved in both the Inspire Sunday school class and Youngish adult gatherings. Doug graduated with his MDIV from Northern Seminary and is currently going through the ordination process. He recently led the Spiritual Pilgrimage group to Gethsemani. In his free time he enjoys playing disc golf.

Keri has been teaching Holy Yoga here since June and volunteers in the children's Sunday school program.

When the girls are not attending school at Field Elementary and St. Joe's they enjoy playing outside, arts and crafts and reading books.



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2020 Church Council, Finance & Personnel

At the December 18 Ministry Forum, persons were approved to serve on the Church Council and, the Finance and Personnel Teams in 2020. Following are the members of those groups. Newly approved members names are in italics.

Finance Team

Allen Bartlett
Milt Gardner
Mike Meador
Bob Pessolano
Greg Robertson
Ed Taylor
Personnel Team
Eileen Bartlett
Ed Canada
Adrienne Eisenmenger
Margaret Graves
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