**August 24, 2025**

**11th Sunday after Pentecost**

****

**Crescentville United Methodist Church**

**A Changing Church for Changing Times**

**Pastor Rev. Lori Reyes**

**400 Sentner Street**

**Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19120**

**215-745-7115**

***E-Mail: crescentvilleumc@gmail.com***

**Web Site:** **https://www.crescentvilleumc.com/**

**Facebook:** **https://www.facebook.com/crescentvilleumc**

**YouTube Channel:**

**https://www.youtube.com/@crescentvilleunitedmethodi7688**

***Crescentville United Methodist Church***

***11th Sunday after Pentecost* August 24, 2025**

**Prelude**

**PLEASE STAND AND JOIN IN SINING “Sweet, Sweet Spirit”**

**Welcome & Announcements**

*Please stand*

**Chorus of Welcome**                              *“The Family of God”*

I’m so glad I’m a part of the family of God—I’ve been washed in the fountain, cleansed by His blood!  Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod; for I’m part of the family, the family of God.

**Call to Worship**

L: With great rejoicing we come to the house of the Lord today!

**P: God is our refuge and our stronghold.**

L: The power and love of God flow through this gathering.

**P: We place our whole trust in God’s mighty compassion for us.**

L: Come, let us worship the Lord!

**P: Let us celebrate the presence of God here in this place and in all our lives. AMEN.**

**Opening Praise Song “**I Thank God” Song by Maverick City Music - edited for worship

Wandering into the night, wanting a place to hide

This weary soul - this bag of bones

And I tried with all my might, and I just can't win the fight

I'm slowly drifting, oh vagabond

And just when I ran out of road, I met a man I didn't know

And he told me that I was not alone

Refrain: He picked me up, He turned me around,

 He placed my feet on solid ground

 I thank the Master, I thank the Savior

 Because He healed my heart, He changed my name

 Forever free, I'm not the same,

 I thank the Master, I thank the Savior, I thank God

I cannot deny what I see, got no choice but to believe

My doubts are burning; like ashes in the wind

So, so long to my old friends, burden and bitterness

You can just keep them moving, No, you ain't welcome here

From now 'til I walk the streets of gold

I'll sing of how You saved my soul, this wayward son

Has found his way back home

Refrain - Oh, I thank God

Refrain - Oh, I thank God

**Opening Prayer**

**Lord God, whose power and mercy have extended to all ends of creation, pour your love on us this day that we might be healed and be made ready to serve you by serving others in this world that you have created. In Jesus’ Name, we pray. AMEN.**

*Please Be Seated*

**Youth Message**

**Joys & Concerns……………*Gathered Prayer***

***Singing of the Lord’s Prayer -*** *Our Father, which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen*

**Gifts and Offerings**

**Offertory** *“The Giving Song” Please join in singing!*

*Please stand*

**The Doxology** *“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”* # 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above,

ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

 **The Offertory Prayer**

**Hymn**  *“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”* # 430

O Master, let me walk with Thee in lowly paths of service free;

Tell me Thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love;

Teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me Thy patience; still with Thee in closer, dearer company,

In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong:

In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way;

In peace that only Thou canst give, with Thee, O Master, let me live.

Dismissal of the Youth

*Please be seated*

**Gospel Lesson      Luke 13:10-17 [NRSV]**

10 On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, 11 and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. 12 When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, “Woman, you are set free from your infirmity.” 13 Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God. 14 Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, “There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath.” 15 The Lord answered him, “You hypocrites! Doesn’t each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? 16 Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?” When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.

**Sermon** *“Jesus, Lord of the Sabbath”*

*Please stand*

**Affirmation of Faith** *The Apostles’ Creed*

 I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

 And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord:

 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

 suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

 the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven,

 and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

 from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead;

 I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

 the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

 the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Please remain standing*

**Closing Praise Song** *“Our God Is An Awesome God”*

Our God is an awesome God. He reigns from heaven above

With wisdom pow'r and love. Our God is an awesome God. (5x)

**Benediction**

**Choral Benediction** *“I Thank God” [Refrain]*

He picked me up, He turned me around, He placed my feet on solid ground

I thank the Master, I thank the Savior Because He healed my heart,

He changed my name Forever free, I'm not the same,

I thank the Master, I thank the Savior, I thank God. Oh, I Thank God

**Lectionary Scripture Readings**

When we read through the New Testament, we get to read about Jesus' life. We can understand better his choices and the true sacrifice of his death on the cross. He becomes far more real to us when we get into his story in the Bible.

**August 31, 2025 – 12th Sunday after Pentecost** Luke 14:1, 7-14 - Jeremiah 2:4-13 - Psalm 81:1, 10-16 - Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

**Joys & Concerns: Keep those prayers going and thank God for His answers! To add a prayer request or share a joy,**

***please call or text Sue Creevey 267-847-6029***

Praying for others is important because it fulfills a New Testament command.

*(1 Timothy 2:1-3) I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people - for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior.*

**Prayer Request from August 17th**

***PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOUR PRAYER REQUEST WAS NOT ENTERED ON A PRAYER CARD,***

***IT IS NOT LISTED HERE. They can be viewed on the August 10th Worship Video.***

Happy 18th Birthday to Marina Jean who will start at Temple U this week. Prayers for all going back to school.

Prayers for David Alley - While recovering from eye replacement surgery he now has covid, and so does his wife. Prayers for recovery!

JOY - Sheryl Duke is feeling better.

Kelsey asking for prayer as she starts working at a new school, prayers that it is a good year.

Prayers for Dan

Continued prayers for Keri as she receives cancer treatments.

Prayers that Greg has a good school year.

**Continuing Prayers for:**

Martha & Wondor Korto Scott Meyer Sheryl Duke Betty Brzoza

David & Esther Clinton Tracey & Bill Lewis Jennifer

Prayers for our Pastor Lori and our congregation.

**For families, especially:**

Zilpha and James Browne, The Stefanescu, Mc Manus, Salvadore, and Didirea Families,

Jean Bernard and family, The Spotts Family, Bresnan Family

**For an end to violence, for peace and stability**

Philadelphia, especially our community - Sierra Leone, Africa

Haiti - Israel and Hamas - Ukraine and Russia

**Please praise and pray for our youth – they are the future of our church!**

UPCOMING EVENTS



If you are interested in becoming baptized and/or a member here at Crescentville Church, please talk with Pastor Lori. **Membership classes will be on September 7th through the 28th, following the worship service.** A list of our current members is on the board in the back of the sanctuary, along with sign up sheets.

Starting on SEPTEMBER 7TH

WORSHIP WILL START ON TIME AT 10:30 AM

Please plan your morning

to arrive on time!



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH**

**Communion Sunday**

**WORSHIP WILL BEGIN**

 **ON TIME AT 10:30 AM**

**Dress your best!**

**After Worship we will take**

**a new church picture outside.**

**Rain date Sept 14th**



**Women’s Fellowship Meeting**

**Wednesday, September 10th at noon.**

**All women are invited!**



**On each Communion Sunday, a second collection will be taken for the Pastor’s Discretionary Fund.**

A pastor's discretionary fund is a designated church fund that allows the pastor to provide confidential, flexible financial support to individuals and families in need, often for immediate, unforeseen expenses not covered by the regular church budget. This fund is funded by donations, and its administration is governed by a church policy that requires documentation of expenditures,

and prohibits personal use by the pastor.



SAVE THE DATE

CRESCENTVILLE UMC FLEA MARKET

October 25, 2025 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Please bring in any items you have to donate.

Talk with Sue Snyder if you need help

 transporting donations.

NO VENDOR TABLES AVAILABLE



**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO SUPPORT OUR CHURCH.**

**DO YOU HAVE A GIFT OR TALENT YOU WANT TO SHARE?**

At this time we are in need of liturgists, help with playing videos on Sundays,

and camera help.

Please see Pastor Lori if you are willing to help, or if you have another gift you want to share!



**On each Communion Sunday, a second collection will be taken for the Pastor’s Discretionary Fund.**

A pastor's discretionary fund is a designated church fund that allows the pastor to provide confidential, flexible financial support to individuals and families in need, often for immediate, unforeseen expenses not covered by the regular church budget. This fund is funded by donations, and its administration is governed by a church policy that requires documentation of expenditures,

and prohibits personal use by the pastor.



**Starting today and continuing for a few weeks, NEW PHOTOS will be taken for the directory and Wall. Please see Jim/John C**

**during coffee hour.**

**If you have new information for the directory, there are forms in the back of the church to update your information.**

