

ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
June 19, 2016 at Eleven o'clock
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Everyone is welcome at West End! We seek to be the loving light of Christ in Nashville and beyond. We gather as the people of God with a wide range of religious backgrounds, education levels, political and theological perspectives, and we value that diversity. We welcome and celebrate the gifts God has given to all without regard to gender, race, sexual orientation, economic or family status, ethnicity, or mental or physical ability. We believe God loves everyone unconditionally!

GATHERING

Voluntary: Praise to the Lord, the AlmightyDavid Cherwien

Welcome.....Michael Williams
Please take a moment to record your attendance in the registration pad found near the center aisle, pass it to your neighbor, and then pass the pad back to the center. First-time guests are encouraged to list your address and telephone number or e-mail address so we may share additional information about our church with you.

Introit: Where Charity and Love PrevailDundee
Where charity and love prevail there God is ever found; brought here together by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound.

† Processional Hymn No. 100.....Lauda Anima
God, Whose Love Is Reigning o'er Us

† GreetingErin Racine
Liturgist: *We come to give glory to Christ who frees us.*
People: **We worship the One who redeems our souls.**
Liturgist: *Find joy and peace in the love of the Lord.*
People: **The Lord is our source of comfort and light.**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Eternal One,
we acknowledge that we cannot overcome
our inner darkness.
Pride defines us:
we seek value in our own accomplishments,
forgetting our true identity in you.
Selfishness motivates us:
we hoard our material and emotional resources,
failing to give to those around us.
Fear haunts us:
we obey our desire for self-preservation,
ignoring the abundance of your world.
Divine light,
illuminate the dark places in our souls.
Teach us what it means to be your light in the world,
so that our pride, selfishness, and fear
may be transformed to love.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

† Gloria Patri..... No. 71

Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

Anthem: No Hands But Yours.....J. Jerome Williams

Christ has no body now on earth but yours: no hands but yours, no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which to look out Christ's compassion to the world. Yours are the feet on which he is to go about doing good. And yours are the hands with which he is to bless us now. (St. Theresa of Avila)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that as the Scriptures are read and the Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Lesson from the Gospel: Luke 8:26-39.....(pew Bible, page 841)

Response to the Lesson

Liturgist: *The Word of God for the people of God.*
People: **Thanks be to God.**

† Hymn No. TFWS 2191: Eternal Father, Strong to Save Melita
The children are invited to come forward to join Michael at the chancel during the last stanza of the hymn.

Sermon: The Man and His Demons.....Michael Williams

† Affirmation of Faith of the United Church of Canada No. 883

Joys & Concerns of the Church.....Stacy Gonzalez

Salutation

Liturgist: *The Lord be with you.*
People: **And also with you.**
Liturgist: *Let us pray.*

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (*in unison*)

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.

Offertory: Psalm 23 Paul Basler

(Text from pew Bible, page 435.)

† DoxologyNo. 95

SENDING FORTH

† Recessional Hymn No. 732: Come, We That Love the Lord.....St. Thomas

† Benediction

† Response (all sing): Awake O Sleeper vs. 5.....New Britain
For us Christ lived, for us he died, and conquered in the strife.
Awake, arise, go forth in faith, and Christ shall give you life.

Voluntary: March in a Gregorian Mode.....Alexandre Guilmant
The postlude is the final Alleluia of our worship.
All are invited to remain for a time of joyful prayer.

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

Head Usher: Barbara Cragg

The altar flowers this morning are from the wedding of Elizabeth Hart Belk and John Andrew Snyder. They are given to the glory of God and in honor of their fathers and grandfather, Samuel J. Belk, Stanley O. Snyder, and Richard B. Hart.

Today's liturgy was written by Jayme Yeo.

Commissioning of the team for our Sr. High Mission Trip to Appalachia Service Project will take place during the closing of the 11:00 am worship service. We are excited to grow closer together as a community while helping two different families rebuild their homes. Thank you for all of your prayers & support of our week of service in Trade, TN located in Johnson County!

Today's Music:

Music Participants: Minister of Music Matthew Phelps is organist-director this morning. Caitlin Dowling is assisting at the organ. Cory Cox, tenor soloist.

Organist Alexandre Guilmant was one of the most recognized organists of the 19th and early 20th centuries. The first person of French ancestry to tour America, he gave a now legendary series of 40 recitals on the Wannamaker organ while in exhibition at the St. Louis World Fair in 1904. He wrote numerous compositions for the organ, including many for liturgical settings including today's March on a Gregorian Theme.

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Preaching: Michael Williams
"The Man and His Demons"

Luke 8:26-39

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" – for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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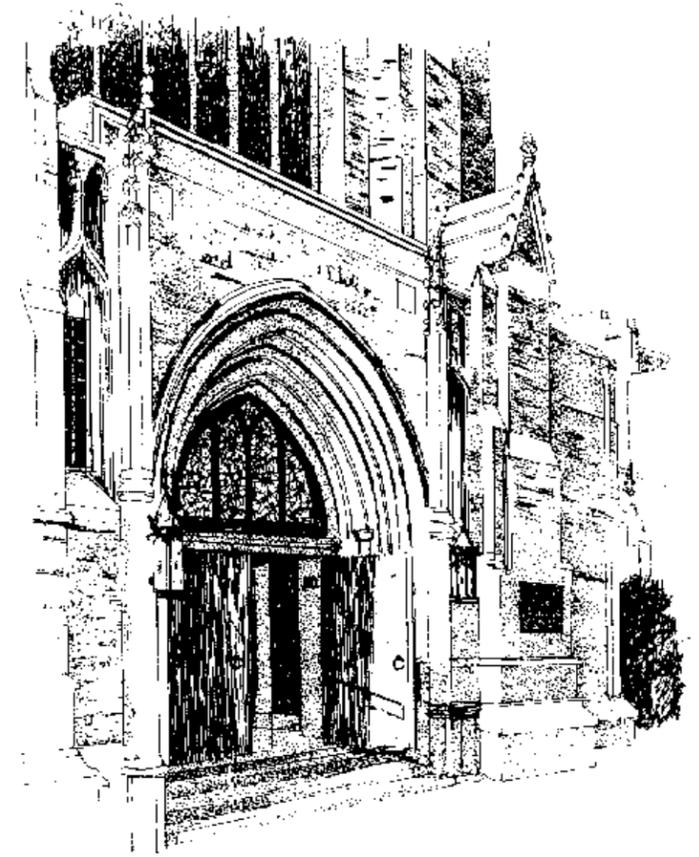
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