

ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP  
January 22, 2017 at Eight Forty-five  
Third Sunday after the Epiphany

*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: Priere a Notre Dame.....Leon Boellmann

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: O Light Everlasting.....Jean Pasquet

† Processional Hymn No. 88.....Diademata  
Maker, in Whom We Live

† Greeting.....Dane Van Eys  
Liturgist: *The Lord God is in this place.*  
People: **Calling us into deeper communion and worship.**  
Liturgist: *The Spirit of God excites this place.*  
People: **Our hearts are filled and our souls rejoice.**  
Leader: *The Risen Christ brings life to this place.*  
People: **Oh let us taste and see this life of God.**  
Leader: *May God be magnified in our praises.*  
People: **May God be magnified indeed.**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Most Holy and Righteous God,  
we bow humbly before your Spirit that permeates this place,  
asking for the mercy and grace that come only from you.**  
**We long to honor you Lord,  
yet know that we often fail to do so fully.**  
**We have at times ignored the cries of the needy,  
we have not always loved our neighbor as our selves,  
we have tried to silence you instead of listening to,  
and heeding your call on our lives.**  
**Forgive us Almighty God,  
and free us to be joyfully obedient in Christ Jesus our Lord.**  
**For in Christ alone are our peace, satisfaction, and perfection.**  
**In Christ we become like you.**  
**In Christ we become a beacon of light to the World.**  
**Help us, Oh God, so that we may participate and aid  
in your everlasting Kingdom. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

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 10:25-28.....(pew Bible, page 844)

Response to the Lesson

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

† Gloria Patri.....No. 71  
*The children are invited to come forward during the singing  
of the Gloria Patri to join Michael at the chancel.*

**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.)*

Sermon: Commandment .....Michael Williams

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

† Passing of the Peace

Liturgist: *As a forgiven and reconciled people,  
let us exchange signs of reconciliation and love.  
The peace of Christ be with you.*

People: **And also with you.**

*(You are invited to pass the peace of Christ to those around you.)*

Joys & Concerns of the Church..... Becky Peeler

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: Create in Me a Clean Heart .....Ronald A. Nelson  
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit  
within me. Do not cast me away from your presence and do not take  
your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and  
sustain in me a willing spirit. (*Psalm 51:10-12*)

† Doxology.....No. 95

Reception of New Members

Liturgist: *Brothers and Sisters in Christ,  
these persons are now entrusted to your love and care.  
Do all in your power to increase their faith,  
confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.*

People: **We give thanks for all that God has already given  
you, and we welcome you in Christian love.  
As members together with you in the body of  
Christ and in this congregation of The United  
Methodist Church, we renew our covenant to  
participate faithfully in the ministries of the  
church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts,  
our service, and our witness, that in everything  
God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

SENDING FORTH

† Recessional Hymn No. TFWS 2001.....Darwall's 148th  
We Sing to You, O God

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: For Your Light Has Come.....Ronald A. Nelson

Voluntary: If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee BWV 642.....J. S. Bach  
*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: John Nance

The altar flowers are given today to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of Robert Adrian Downing by his family.

Andrew Barrick Nielson, Jr.,  
son of Andrew Barrick Nielson, Sr. and Josie Hale Nielson,  
will be presented for baptism in the 11am service.

Roses on the Communion table are in celebration of the births of  
Jill Enloe McCain and Ruth "Ruthie" Benson McCain,  
born January 7, 2017  
to parents Sarah and Kaylor McCain.

Music Participants: The Sanctuary Choir. Associate Minister of Music,  
Andrew Risinger, is directing. Caitlin Dowling is assisting at the organ.

HYMNIC NOTES: Each of the first three stanzas of the processional is  
devoted to a person of the Trinity whose key attribute is paraphrased in the  
second line: 'creating love,' 'redeeming grace,' and 'heart-renewing power.'  
The final stanza is in praise to the undivided Trinity. Charles Wesley  
composed 220 hymns the Trinity, most of them invitations for the Trinity to  
come and dwell in the faithful.

The recessional is a hymn of praise to God the author of life, our shelter in the  
storms of life, and who cares for us as a mother eagle would her young. The  
author is Prof. of Rhetoric (emeritus), Luther Seminary, Minneapolis, MN.  
(Hymnic Notes by Carlton Young)

January 22, 2017  
Preaching: Michael Williams  
"Commandment"  
Luke 10:25-28

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus.  
"Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit  
eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in  
the law? What do you read there?" He answered,  
"You shall love the Lord your God with all your  
heart, and with all your soul, and with all your  
strength, and with all your mind; and your  
neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You  
have given the right answer; do this, and you  
will live."

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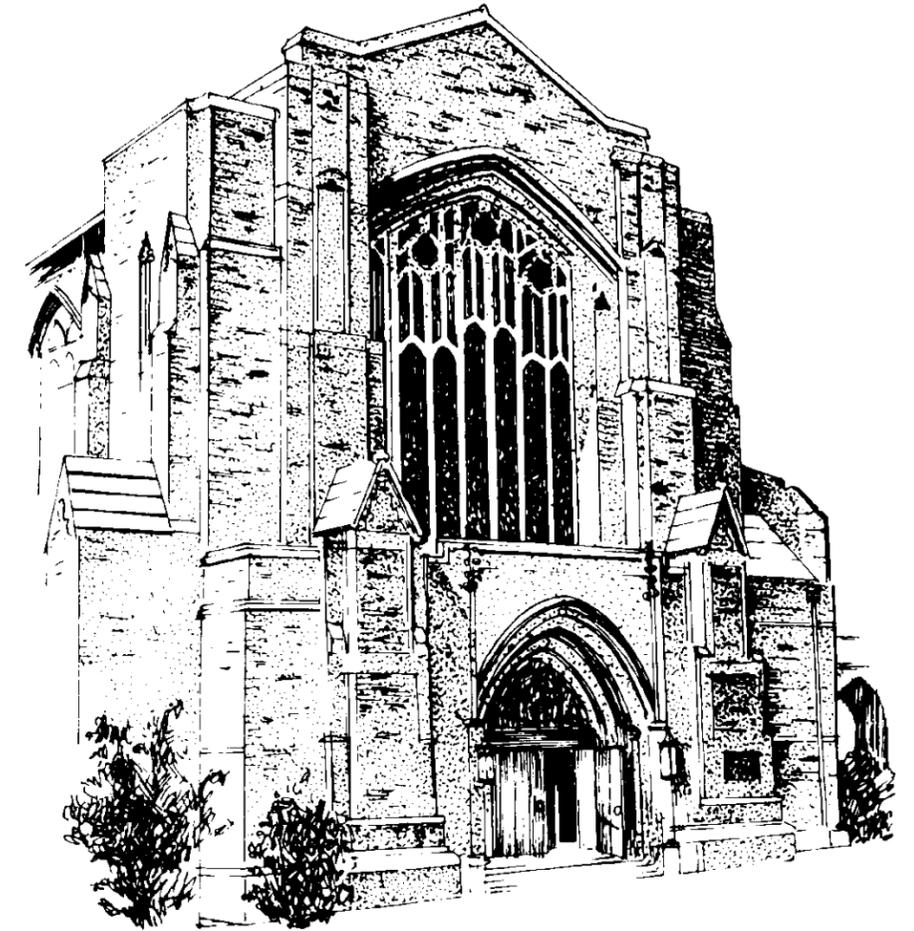
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