

ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
January 22, 2017 at Eleven o'clock
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

Introit: Bless the Lord O My Soul..... Mikail Ippolitof-Ivanov
Bless the Lord, O my soul and all that is within me bless his holy name.

† 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

† 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: God Be in My Head.....Walford Davies

God be in my head and in my understanding.
God be in mine eyes and in my looking.
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.
God be in mine heart and in my thinking.
God be at my end and in my departing.
(Old Sarum Prayer)

The Sacrament of Baptism

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

Liturgist: *Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life
and include this child now before you in your care?*

People: **With God's help we will proclaim the good news
and live according to the example of Christ.
We will surround this child with a community
of love and forgiveness, that he may grow
in his service to others. We will pray for him
that he may be a true disciple who walks in the way
that leads to life.**

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Commendation and Welcome

† Liturgist: *Members of the household of God, I commend Andrew Barrick
to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase
his faith, confirm his hope, and perfect him in love.*

† People: **We give thanks for all that God has already
given you, Andrew Barrick, 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.**

† Musical ResponseNo. 611, st. 1

**Child of blessing, child of promise,
baptized with the Spirit's sign:
with this water God has sealed you
unto love and grace divine.**

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.**

† Hymn No. 561: Jesus, United by Thy Grace.....St. Agnes
*The children are invited to come forward to join Michael at the chancel
during the last stanza of the hymn.*

Sermon: CommandmentMichael 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.)

Presentation of Bibles.....Becky Peeler

Pastors, parents, and teachers:

**Receive the Word of God.
Learn its stories and study its words.
Its stories belong to us all, and these words speak to us all.
They tell us who we are.
They tell us that we belong to one another,
for we are the people of God.**

Children:

**We receive these Bibles with our hands,
our hearts, and our minds.**

Congregation:

**We rejoice in this step in your faith journey.
We pray God will guide you, your family,
and us as you use this Holy Bible in your home,
in your small group, and in our worship.
We will learn together and grow in our love for God's Word.
Thanks be to God!**

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: Gloria in Excelsis (from Mass in C).....W. A. Mozart

Glory to God in the highest. And on earth peace to those of good will. We praise you. We bless you. We adore you. We glorify you. We give thanks to you because of your great glory. Lord God, King of heaven, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten son, Jesus Christ. Lord God, Lamb of God, King of heaven, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; Receive our prayer. Who sits at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. Because you alone are holy. You alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ. With the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen. (Traditional Catholic Mass text, sung in Latin)

† 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

† Response No. 898: Amen (all sing) Danish



MUSIC: Danish

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: Barbara Cragg

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,
is presented for baptism.

Roses on the Communion table are in celebration of the births of
Jill Enloe McCain and Ruth "Ruthie" Benson McCain,
born December 26, 2016 to parents Sarah and Kaylor McCain.

Music Participants: The Chancel Choir. Minister of Music, Matthew Phelps, is directing and assisting at the organ. Associate Andrew Risinger is organist/accompanist. Margy Bredemann, soprano soloist. Mozart Quartet: Emma Jackson, soprano; Sarah Upchurch, mezzo-soprano; Scott Brons, tenor; Patrick Dunnevant, baritone.

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)

THIRD GRADE BIBLES

The following third grade students will receive a Bible today during the eleven o'clock service. Be sure to encourage them in their study and to pray for them and their families.

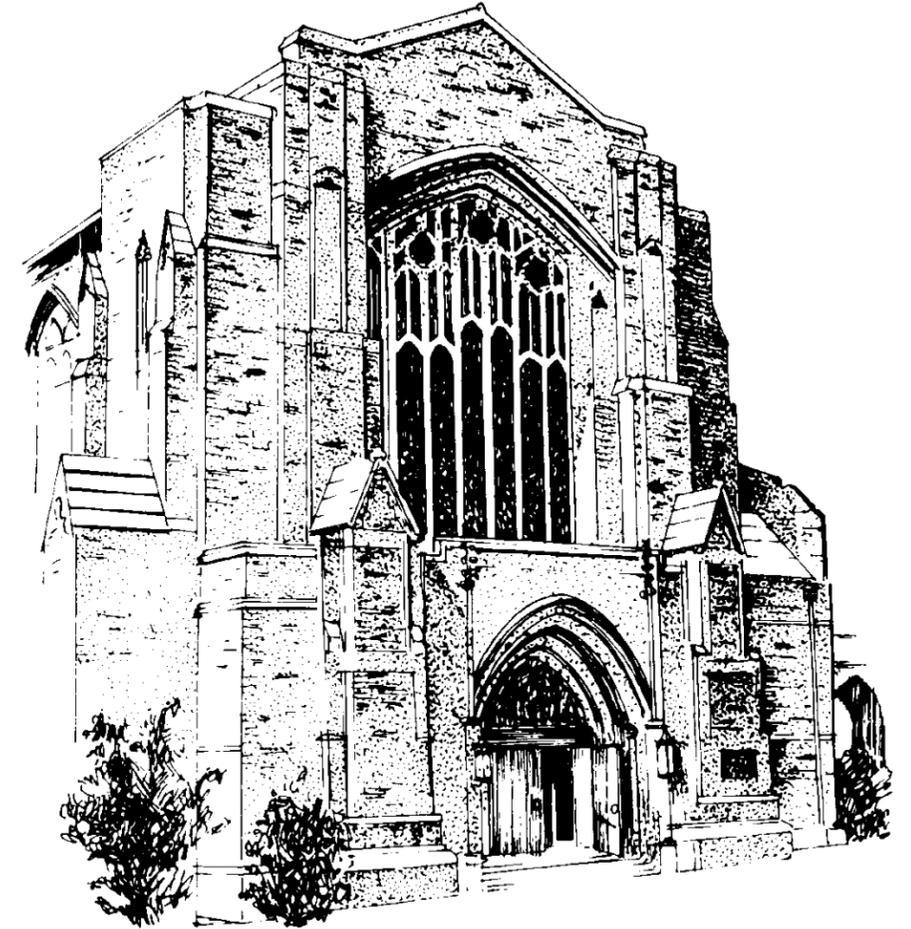
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| Audrey Ryan Bailey | Martha Myatt Hooper |
| Peter Robert Bigelow | William Kaluza |
| William Robert Gerken | Robert Brant Harrell, Jr. |
| Marshall Gunter | Claire Ridgill |
| Nicholas Cobb Henderson | Samuel Montgomery Wilson |
| Townes Whitfield Henderson | |

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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