

ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
August 13, 2017 at Eight Forty-five
Tenth 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: Contemplation.....A. R. Gaul

Welcome Erin Racine
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: Come and Let Us Sweetly Join.....Orlando Gibbons

† Processional Hymn No. 117: O God, Our Help in Ages Past.....St. Anne

† Greeting.....Becky Peeler
Liturgist: *We gather to worship our God,*
People: **who speaks the words of peace we need in chaotic times.**
Liturgist: *We gather to follow Jesus,*
People: **who encourages us never to fear, for he is near.**
Liturgist: *We gather to be filled with the Spirit,*
People: **who anoints us so we can go forth to serve the world.**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)
**In truth, God of silence and seas,
we are more adept at making waves than calming storms.
We find it easier to push people out of the boat,
rather than make room for those who are different from us.
Our lives are such a whirlwind of activity that we do not notice
your presence or hear your silence singing your shalom to us.
Have mercy on us, God of patience.
Grab hold of us to keep us from drowning in our oceans
of temptations.
Give us the words to speak of your hope to others.
Fill our hearts with the love of Jesus Christ,
which is nearer to us than we dare to imagine.**

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: Matthew 14:22-33.....(pew Bible, page 796)

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.*

**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.)

Children’s Moment: Blessing of the Backpacks
*(O Lord of Life and Love: **Hear our prayer**)*

Sermon: Risky Business.....Erin Racine

† Affirmation of Faith..... 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..... Brandon Baxter

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: If Ye Love Me.....Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you
forever, ev’n the spirit of truth. (John 14:15, 16, 17)

† Doxology No. 95

SENDING FORTH

Recessional Hymn No. 172: My Jesus, I Love Thee.....Gordon

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: The Peace of GodJohn Yarrington

Voluntary: Allegro Vivace from *Sonata II*Felix Mendelssohn
*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 and Byron Burrus

The Flower Fund makes possible flowers for West End’s worship service
when no flowers have been donated. Today’s flowers are made possible
by this fund. If you would like to contribute to this fund,
please mark your check or envelope “Flower Fund”.

Avery Virginia Smith,
daughter of Jared DuBose Smith and Ashley Thomas Smith,
will be presented for baptism at the 11 o’clock service.

Music Participants: The Sanctuary Choir. Associate Minister of Music,
Andrew Risinger is organist-director. Steve Hyman is assisting at the organ.

Hymnic Notes: The processional consists of six of Watts’ original nine-
stanza paraphrase of Psalm 90:1-5 titled ‘Man Frail, and God Eternal.’
John Wesley altered the opening, ‘Our God,’ to ‘O God.’ The hymn was
matched with the tune ST. ANNE in 1814.

The recessional is a hymn of dedication to, and endless love and praise of
Jesus Christ, personal Savior and Redeemer. (*Hymnic notes by Carlton Young*)

August 13, 2017
Preaching: Erin Racine
"Risky Business"

Matthew 14:22-33

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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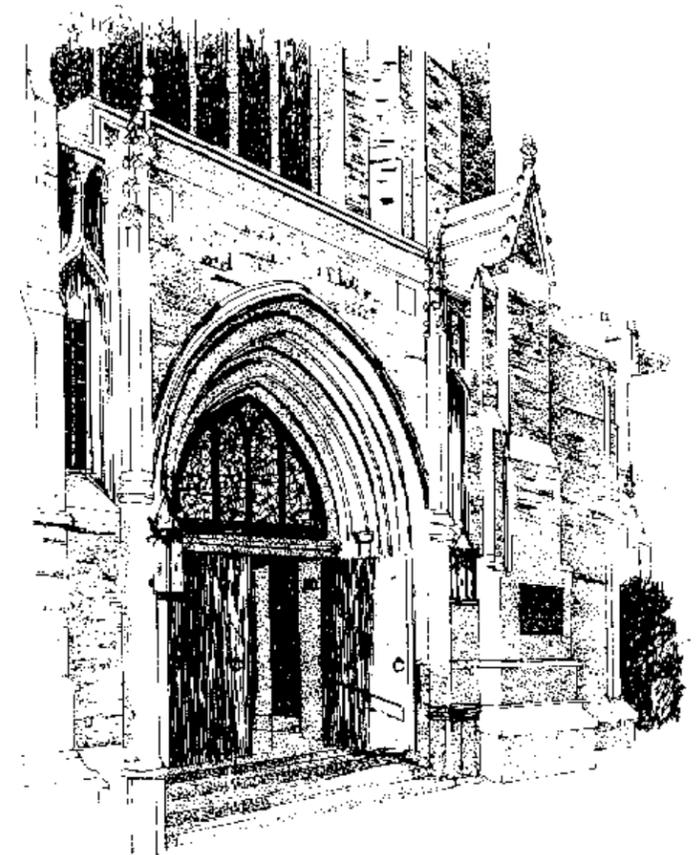
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