

GATHERING

Voluntary: Lied.....Louis Vierne

Welcome.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

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: Make Me a Clean Heart.....G. Thalben-Ball

† Processional Hymn No. 62.....Lasst Uns Erfreuen All Creatures (vs. 1-3 and 7)

† Greeting.....Emily C. Robbins

Liturgist: We are standing on holy ground.
People: All those who have gone before us have witnessed to the love of God.
Liturgist: We are challenged to be people of loving service.
People: Lord, open our hearts and spirits to accept the call to serve you by helping others.

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (in unison)
God of love and mercy, be with us this day.
We have faltered in our service to you.
We create divisions between people;
we judge before we listen;
we condemn before we make any attempt to understand.
Our lives are in turmoil,
and we confess that we have turned away from you.
Fears and anger too often surround us
and become the basis of our actions.
Slow us down, Lord.
Give us hearts overflowing with grace and compassion.
Help us to mirror Jesus who loved and healed others
who were rejected by "polite" society.
Remind us that we are called
to be strong voices of hope
for those who feel alienated and lost;
to be a home to strangers;
to quench thirst and to give nourishment;
to welcome and bring words of hope.
Forgive us when we have forgotten these things. Amen.

† Silent Confession

† Words of Assurance

† 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.)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination (in unison).....Anna Bigelow
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.

A lesson from the Old Testament: Exodus 3:1-15.....(pew Bible, page 44)

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 Carol 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: Named by an Unnamable God.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of Faith.....No. 883

Joys & Concerns of the Church.....Lisa Gwock

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: With a Voice of SingingKenneth Jennings
With a voice of singing declare ye and tell this; utter it even to the end of the earth. Hallelujah!
The Lord hath redeemed his servant Jacob. Hallelujah!
Make a joyful noise unto God all ye lands. Sing forth the honor of his name; make his praise glorious!
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. Isaiah 48:20b; Psalm 66:1-2

† DoxologyNo. 94
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SENDING FORTH

† Recessional Hymn No. 2234 TFWS.....Lancashire
Lead On, O Cloud of Presence

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: AmenPeter C. Lutkin

Voluntary: God of Grace.....Paul Manz
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.

The altar flowers are given today to the glory of God and in loving memory of Charles R. Byrn, Jr., Charles R. Byrn III, and W. Lambeth Lester by their family.

The flowers in Reed Hall are from the wedding of Raleigh Anne Blank and John William Gray. They are given in loving memory of the bride's father, Edward C. Blank, II, and her grandfather, Daniel C. Gunter, Jr.

The altar flowers given on September 3rd were to the glory of God and to bless the memory of Mr. And Mrs. Matthew Hughes Dobson III, and Mr. And Mrs. Harry Warthen Smith, and Matthew Hughes Dobson IV by their family.



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WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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!

Sunday Activities

Service Times.....8:45 and 11 a.m.
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 College Lunch.....12 - 1 p.m.
 Youth Choir Rehearsals*.....12:15 - 1 p.m.
 Adult Handbells.....1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
 Youth Small Groups*.....5 - 7 p.m.

Weekly Activities

Meal.....Wednesdays, 5 - 6:30 p.m.
 Class Offerings.....Wednesdays, 6 p.m.
 Children's Choir and Youth Handbell Rehearsal.....Wednesdays, 6 - 7 p.m.
 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal.....Wednesdays, 7:30 - 9 p.m.
 Chancel Choir Rehearsal.....Thursdays, 7:15pm - 9:15 p.m.

For a complete listing and additional information on Sunday and Weekly Activities, please visit our website at www.westendumc.org or see the bulletin insert.

*Meal provided.

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Head Ushers: John Nance and Byron Burrus

Music Participants: The Sanctuary Choir. Associate Minister of Music, Andrew Risinger, is director. Allison Williams is assisting at the organ.

Hymnic Notes: The processional is adapted from St. Francis of Assisi's "Canticle of the Sun", also known as 'Laudes Creaturarum' (Praise of the Creatures) a popular Italian spiritual song (*Laude spiritual*) that was sung in religious gatherings outside of liturgy. It uniquely praises elements of God's creation in terms of sisters and brothers, and expresses the oneness and interdependence of humanity with all of creation. The recessional hymn, based on the Exodus imagery (Numbers 9:15-23), where the journey of God's people is led by the cloud and fiery pillar, uses those symbols as God's presence guiding people in uncertain times as they journey toward freedom. (*Hymnic Notes by Carlton Young*)

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