

GATHERING

Voluntary: There is a Fountain.....Alan Lohr

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: Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days..... Richard Redhead

† Processional Hymn No. 96.....Amsterdam
Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above

† Greeting.....Brandon Baxter
Liturgist: We come before the Lord just as we are.
People: Christ bids us welcome and joins us at the table.
Liturgist: We offer our gifts in thanks for God's gracious presence.
People: Rejoice! Surely salvation has come to this house.

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (in unison)
God of all good gifts,
too often we forget the wondrous joys
of living fully in your creation.
We ignore our connection to all that surrounds us.
We deny our relationship with all of your children.
We forget your love for us.
We think of ourselves as insignificant
or at least too imperfect to do your will.
We are so much like Zacchaeus:
we do not always use our resources well, yet
we struggle to catch a glimpse of you, and
we hope to be summoned by you.
Save us gracious Lord.
We long to turn from our wrongful ways,
and give our lives back to you.

† 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.....James Sewell
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 Gospel: Luke 19:1-10.....(pew Bible, page 854)

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: Why Give?.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of Faith.....No. 888

Joys & Concerns of the Church.....Kalie Rhodes

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.

Ministry Moment.....Lauren LeSturgeon

Offertory: O Lord, Give Thy Holy Spirit.....Thomas Tallis
O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit into our hearts and lighten our
understanding that we may dwell in the fear of thy name all the days
of our life that we may know thee, the only true God and Jesus Christ
whom thou hast sent.

† Doxology.....No. 95

SENDING FORTH

† Recessional Hymn No. 292.....Wondrous Love
What Wondrous Love Is This

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: The Peace of God.....John Yarrington

Voluntary.....Maurice Duruflé
Fugue on the Carillon Theme from the Cathedral of Soissons
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.

Livestream and video recording happen during our church services
and worship events.

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The altar flowers are given today to the glory of God and in loving memory
of Martha and P. G. Banker, Jr., and their son, Van Gordon Banker,
by their family.

Samuel Franklin Leow, son of Robert and Olivia Leow,
will be presented for baptism today in the eleven o'clock service.

The rose on the altar celebrates the birth of Jacob Joseph Goodwin,
born February 22, 2018 to Erin and Wes Goodwin.
He is also welcomed by his sister, Audrey.



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.
- Youth Choir Rehearsal*.....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 Rehearsals.....Wednesdays, 6 - 7 p.m.
- Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal.....Wednesdays, 7:30 - 9 p.m.
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal.....Thursdays, 7:15pm - 9:15 p.m.

Building Tours are offered on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 9:30 AM, or immediately following the early service. Meet at the Welcome Center in Reed Hall, through the side doors of the Sanctuary.

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 organist and director. Joy Ringers. Minister of Music, Matthew Phelps, is director.

Hymnic Notes: “Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above” was written by Charles Wesley and included in his *Psalms and Hymns* published in 1743. Charles Wesley’s importance in the history of hymns is almost immeasurable. The number of hymns attributed to him is over 5000 and is sometimes listed by scholars as being over 6000. The author of “What Wondrous Love is This” is considered anonymous, but it is well known that it has roots in 19th century American folk music. The tune is described by Erik Routley as, “incomparably beautiful.”

West End United Methodist Church

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- Carol Cavin-Dillon.....Senior Pastor
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- Brandon Baxter.....Pastor, Coordinator of Spiritual Formation
- Becky Peeler.....Pastor of Children and Family Ministries
- Lisa Gwock.....Pastor of Missions & Outreach
- Nancy Parker.....Pastor of Young Adults
- Anita Peebles.....Congregational Care Intern

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- Kalie Rhodes.....Youth Intern
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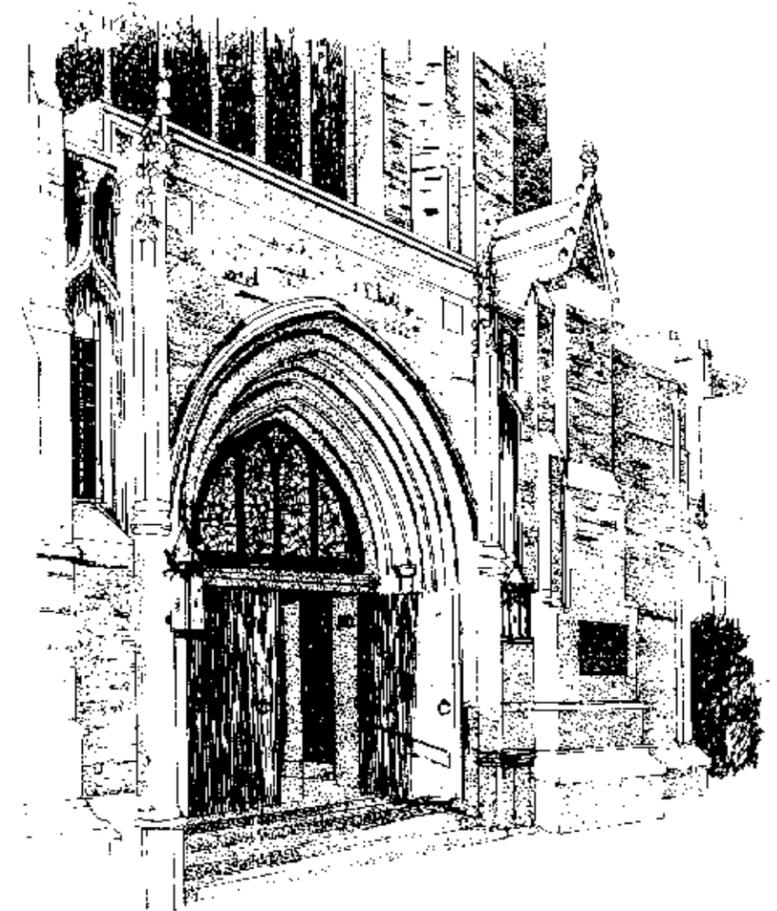
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- Sandy Gilbert.....Program Director
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WEST END
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
March 11, 2018 at Eight Forty-five
Fourth Sunday in Lent