

GATHERING

Voluntary: Adagio for Strings.....Barber, arr. Strickland

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. 60.....Old 113th
I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath

† Call to Worship.....Rachel Ternes
Liturgist: For forty days, Jesus spent time in the wilderness.
People: You, O God, were present there.
Liturgist: For forty years, the Israelites wandered without a home.
People: You, O God, were present there.
Liturgist: We come, remembering that we are but dust.
People: You, O God, are here and always present among us.

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (in unison)
Ever-present God,
we confess that we do not willingly follow you into the wilderness.
We are overwhelmed by our humanity,
by the frailty of our bodies,
by the fleeting nature of our lives.
In this desolate landscape
we are disoriented and fearful,
and we doubt that we can withstand temptation.
Overwhelm us with your presence, O God.
Saturate us with your peace, and embolden us with your love.
Teach us when we are to retreat:
when we are to embrace the wilderness,
the desert places where we speak less and listen more.
And teach us, O God, when we are to return.
Amen.

† Silent Confession

† Words of Assurance
Liturgist: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven!
People: In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven!
All: Glory to God. Amen.

† 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.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination.....Jenny Charles
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 4:1-13(pew Bible, page 835)

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 join Carol at the chancel during the singing of the Gloria Patri for the Children's Moment.

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.

Sermon: In the Wilderness.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of Faith.....No. 883

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: Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace.....Herbert Sumsion
Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee. The darkness is no darkness with Thee, but the night is as clear as the day. The darkness and the light to Thee are both alike. God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. O let my soul live and it shall praise Thee, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory for ever more.

† Doxology.....No. 95

SENDING FORTH

† Recessional Hymn No. 452: My Faith Looks Up to Thee.....Olivet

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Amen.....Peter C. Lutkin

Voluntary: Prélude from Trois Pièces.....Gabriel Pierné
The postlude is the final Alleluia of our worship.
All are invited to remain for a time of joyful prayer.

† The congregation is invited rise in body or in spirit.

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

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The altar flowers are given in honor of our Lord and in memory of Jerry Clayton by his family.



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.....12:00 p.m.
- Youth Choir and Handbell Rehearsals.....12:00 - 12:30 p.m.
- Adult Handbells.....1:15 - 2:15 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.....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 insert.

*Children of all ages are welcome in our worship services! However if needed, childcare is available during worship for children 5 and under on the 1st floor in the following rooms: infants 105, toddlers 104, twos and threes 110, and fours and fives 112.

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Head Usher: Byron Burrus

Cover art by Charles Hooper.

Liturgy by Sarah McCain.

Music Participants: The Sanctuary Choir. Associate Minister of Music, Andrew Risinger, director. Michael Gebhart, assistant organist. Minister of Music, Matthew Phelps, assisting at the organ.

Hymnic Notes: During the month of March, we will feature music by composers who have identified openly as members of the LGBTQ community. We will feature this music to stand in solidarity with our brothers and sisters; to recognize the gifts they bring to the global church; and to affirm our belief that God loves everyone unconditionally. Samuel Barber was one of the most prolific American composers of the twentieth century. He wrote "Adagio for Strings" in 1936 while summering with his partner, Gian Carlo Menotti, and it was premiered in 1938. Writer Alexander J. Morin said that the piece was "full of pathos and cathartic passion."

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