

GATHERING

Voluntary: Adagio in A Minor.....J. S. Bach

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: Come, Ye That Love the Lord.....arr. Alice Parker

† Processional Hymn No. 66.....Lauda Anima
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

† Call to Worship.....Rachel Ternes
Liturgist: *God, our Creator, has been generous with us!*
People: **May we share that generosity with others.**
Liturgist: *Christ, our Redeemer, calls us to faithfulness.*
People: **May our lives reflect our desire to serve.**
Liturgist: *The Spirit, our Sustainer, empowers us for stewardship.*
People: **May we care for the earth and all of God's people.**
Liturgist: *Our Triune God welcomes us in worship this day.*
People: **Let us worship with faith and joy!**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)
Creator of the Universe, Casualty of Our Sin, Breath of Life,
we come before you in repentance,
for we have hoarded and bartered
what has never been ours
in the hope of securing our future.
We have yearned for wealth
more than we have yearned for you.
We have squandered your trust
and grieved your heart with our betrayal.
Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name;
deliver us, and forgive our sins, for your name's sake.
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.....Tiffany Davis
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 New Testament: Luke 16:1-13.....(pew Bible, page 851)

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: The Shrewd Servant.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of Faith.....No. 883

Joys & Concerns of the Church.....Erin Racine

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: We Will Rejoice.....G. F. Handel

We will rejoice in thy salvation and triumph in the name of the Lord our God. Alleluia.

† Doxology.....No. 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. 438: Forth in Thy Name, O Lord.....Duke Street

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Grant Us, O God.....Thomas Tallis

Voluntary: Toccata on Duke Street.....Gilbert Martin
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 by Rebecca Burcham in honor of the birthday of her late father, David Hensarling, who would have been 71 on September 22, 2019. He passed away earlier this year on February 23.



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

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. If you prefer to step out of the service, worship is live-streamed in Bishop’s Parlor.

An accessible, all-gender restroom is available in Bishop’s Parlor. This single-stall restroom includes a diaper changing station and assistance railing.

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 www.westendumc.org or see the bulletin insert.

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Head Usher: Byron Burrus
Cover art: Charles Hooper
Liturgy: Erin Racine

The Prayer of Confession was adapted from a resource in the Feasting on the Word Worship Companion.

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

The Sanctuary Choir welcomes new members. Rehearsals are each Wednesday, 7:30-9pm, no audition required. If you would like to explore joining this group, which sings for the 8:45 a.m. service each week, contact Andrew Risinger at arisinger@westendumc.org or 615-983-8821.

Today’s Music: The tune Duke Street was first published anonymously in Henry Boyd’s *Collection of Psalm and Hymn Tunes*. It was later credited to English composer John Hatton (1710-1793) in William Dixon’s collection, *Euphonia*. Nothing is known about Hatton except he lived on Duke Street, and his funeral was conducted in the Presbyterian chapel there. Gilbert Martin, who composed the postlude heard today, is an American composer known for numerous choral and organ works – most famously his setting of “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross,” which has been sung by choirs of all types throughout the world.

West End United Methodist Church

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- Brandon Baxter.....Pastor & Coordinator of Spiritual Formation
- Maggie Jarrell Pastor of Children & Family Ministries
- Stacey Harwell-Dye Pastor of Missions & Outreach
- Nancy Parker.....Pastor of Young Adults & Vandy Wesley

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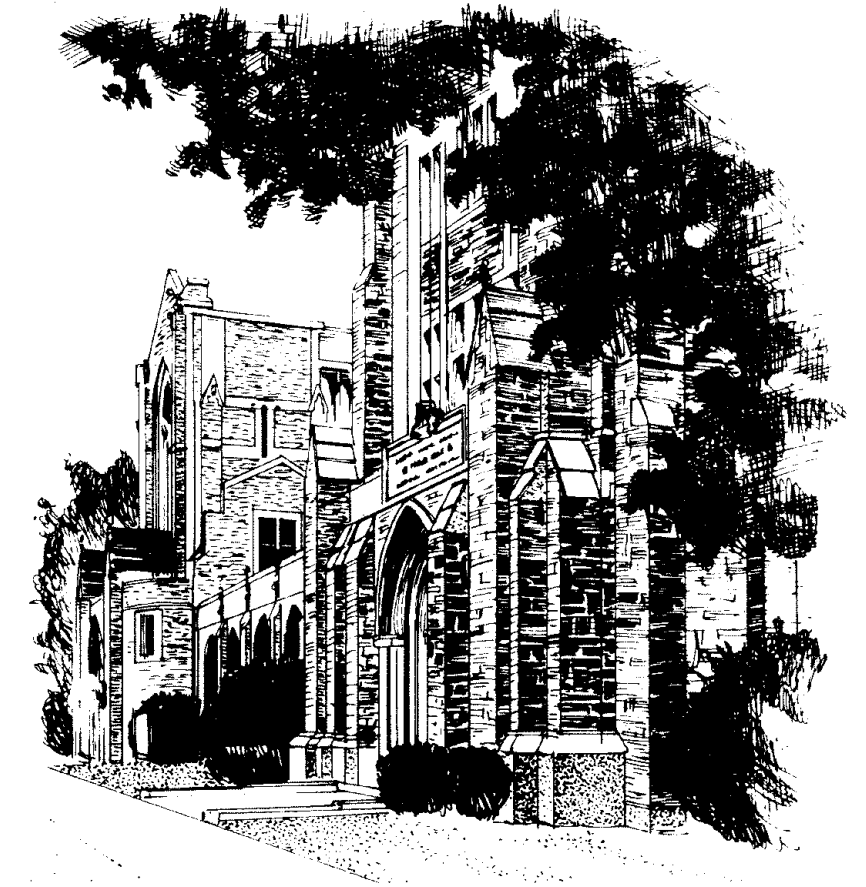
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- Katie Minnis.....Young Adult & Spiritual Formation
- Scott Brons.....Music
- Rachel Ternes.....Youth
- Heather Helton.....Congregational Care

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**ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

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