

## GATHERING

Voluntary: Andante from *Sonata III*.....Felix Mendelssohn

Welcome.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

Ministry Moment.....Kristen Stirling

Introit: Jubilate Deo.....Laszlo Halmos  
Jubilate Deo! Everybody listen! Sing a song of praise all you who love Christ!

† Processional Hymn No. 110.....Ein’ Feste Burg  
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

† Call to Worship.....Rachel Ternes  
Liturgist: *Hear this morning the voice of the Lord.*  
People: **Let our hearts be moved by the promptings of the Word.**  
Liturgist: *See this morning the love of the Lord.*  
People: **Let our minds be illuminated by the light of God.**  
Liturgist: *Be changed this morning by the grace of the Lord.*  
People: **Let our souls turn again to the path of Christ.**

Anthem: God of Great and God of Small.....Natalie Sleeth

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Lord, we confess that our thoughts of you are diminished,  
caught up in debt and transaction.**

**We calculate our righteousness by mindless adherence to rules,  
creating a checklist for piety  
that neglects the state of our hearts.**

**We measure out a close-fisted portion of what we have for you,  
forgetting that all we have comes from you  
and belongs to you.**

**Let us, like the tax collector, courageously bare our hearts before you,  
acknowledging our imprisonment in an economy of sin  
and retribution.**

**Let us, like the tax collector, be cleansed by your grace  
and enter into the promise of your generous love.**

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.**

† Gloria Patri.....No. 71

**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.**

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination.....Harrison Wilson

**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 18:9-14.....(pew Bible, page 853)

Response to the Lesson

Liturgist: *The Word of God for the people of God.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

† Hymn No. 121: There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy.....Wellesley  
*The third-grade children receiving Bibles, and their families, are invited to  
come forward to join Maggie at the chancel during the last stanza of the hymn.*

Presentation of Bibles.....Maggie Jarrell

Parents and pastors (facing the children): Receive the Word of God.  
**Learn its stories and study its words. Its stories belong to us all,  
and these words speak to us all. They tell us who we are. They tell  
us that we belong to one another, for we are the people of God.**

Third graders: **We receive these Bibles with our hands, our hearts,  
and our minds.**

Congregation to the children: **We rejoice in this step in your faith  
journey. We pray God will guide you, your family, and this  
congregation as you use this Holy Bible in your home, in your  
small group, and in our worship. We will learn together and  
grow in our love for God’s Word. Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: It’s Hard to Be Humble.....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: I Lift Mine Eyes.....David Friedell

I lift my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes  
from the Lord. The Lord will not let your foot be moved, the Lord who keeps  
you will not slumber. Behold, the One who keeps Israel will neither slumber  
nor sleep. The Lord is your keeper, the shade on your right hand. By day the  
sun won’t smite you, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all  
evil; the Lord will keep your life from this time for now and for evermore.  
Amen. (*Psalms 121*)

† 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!**

Reception of New Members

Liturgist: *Family of God, these persons are now entrusted to your love and  
care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope,  
and perfect them in love.*

People: **We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and  
we welcome you in Christian love. As members together  
with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of  
The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant to  
participate faithfully in the ministries of the church by our  
prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness,  
that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus  
Christ.**

## SENDING FORTH

† Recessional Hymn No. 410: I Want a Principle Within.....Gerald

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Awake, O Sleeper vs. 5 (all sing).....Amazing Grace  
**For us Christ lived, for us he died, and conquered in the strife.  
Awake, arise, go forth in faith, and Christ shall give you life.**

Voluntary: Chorale Prelude on Ein Feste Burg.....Johann Pachelbel

*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 to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Ann Hardeman Fort, Combs Lawson Fort, and Combs Lawson Fort, Jr.  
by Linda and Hal Moses.

The rose on the table celebrates the birth of George Thomas Winczewski  
on October 11 to Ryan and Katherine Winczewski. He is also welcomed by  
his grandparents, Tommy Martin and Jennifer Watts-Martin.

Bibles are being presented to the following third-graders today:

Miriam Baxter  
Fletcher Hall Carter  
Mary Cil Harrell  
Lila Henderson  
Harlan Scott Jenkins  
Harrison James Wilson  
Merrett Eli Wilson



*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](http://www.westendumc.org) or see the bulletin insert.

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Head Usher: Barbara Cragg  
Cover art: Charles Hooper  
Liturgy: Jayme Yeo

Music Participants: The Chancel Choir. Minister of Music, Matthew Phelps, director and assisting at the organ. Associate Minister of Music, Andrew Risinger, organist/accompanist. Chapel Choirs I & II. Scott Brons, conductor.

Today's Music: "A Mighty Fortress Is our God" is often referred to as "the battle hymn" of the Reformation. Many stories have been relayed about its use. Albert Bailey writes, "It was, as Heine said, the Marseillaise of the Reformation...It was sung in the streets...It was sung by poor Protestant emigres on their way to exile, and by martyrs at their death...Gustavus Adolphus ordered it sung by his army before the battle of Leipzig in 1631...Again it was the battle hymn of his army at Lutzen in 1632...It has had a part in countless celebrations commemorating the men and events of the Reformation; and its first line is engraved on the base of Luther's monument at Wittenberg...An imperishable hymn! Not polished and artistically wrought but rugged and strong like Luther himself, whose very words seem like deeds" (*The Gospel in Hymns*, 316).

**West End United Methodist Church**

**PASTORAL STAFF**

- Members of West End United Methodist Church..... Ministers
- Carol Cavin-Dillon.....Senior Pastor
- Erin Racine .....Pastor of Hospitality & Congregational Care
- 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

**PROGRAM STAFF**

- Matthew Phelps.....Minister of Music
- Andrew Risinger ..... Associate Minister of Music
- Emily C. Robbins.....Minister of Youth
- Shelley Kuhlmeier.....Communications Director
- Don Marler.....Minister of Music Emeritus

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- Sandra Durbin.....Church Financial Officer
- Melanie Paulson.....Director, HR
- Jim Raver.....Property Operations Manager
- Cindy Siemer .....Senior Administrative Assistant & Membership
- Julie Catterton.....Assistant to Senior Pastor
- Karina Gurgenzidze.....Childcare Coordinator
- Charity Van De Griek..... Administrative Assistant
- Laural Hemenway.....Receptionist and Administrative Assistant
- Chase Bencin.....Media Coordinator
- Bob Hilton.....Building Engineer
- Richard Thomas.....Custodian

**WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL MINISTRIES**

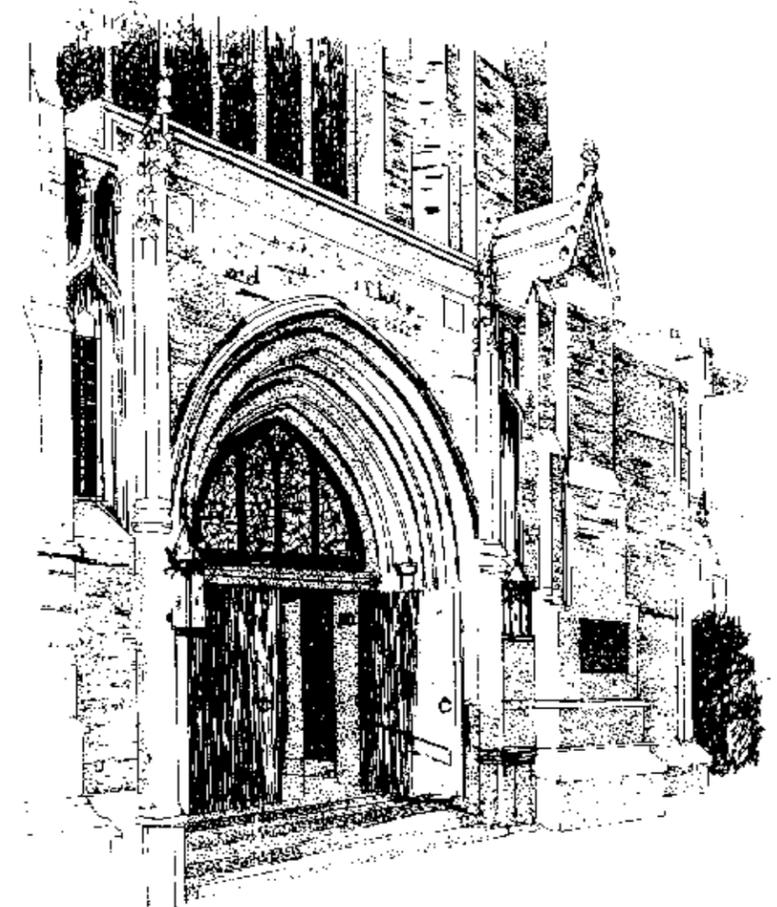
- Candye Goode.....Executive Director
- Jayson Hamilton.....Assistant Director
- Ken Nelson.....Receptionist and Preschool Assistant

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

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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