

# WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## GATHERING

Voluntary: Adagio in E Major ..... Frank Bridge

Welcome ..... Carol Cavin-Dillon

Ministry Moment..... Nashville Wesley Foundations

Introit: May Christians All With One Accord ..... Gelobet Sei Gott

† Hymn No. 152: I Sing the Almighty Power of God ..... Forest Green

† Call to Worship..... Erin Racine

Liturgist: *Jesus invites us to become like children.*

**People: Jesus calls us to humility.**

Liturgist: *Jesus invites us to welcome children in his name.*

**People: When we welcome children, we welcome Christ.**

Liturgist: *Jesus searches for one who is lost.*

**People: Jesus rejoices when the lost has been found.**

Liturgist: *Let us worship our God, who welcomes and cares for all.*

**People: Let us rejoice and give thanks!**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Merciful God, we confess**

**that we have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have failed to be an obedient church.**

**We have not done your will,**

**we have broken your law,**

**we have rebelled against your love,**

**we have not loved our neighbors,**

**and we have not heard the cry of the needy.**

**Forgive us, we pray.**

**Free us for joyful obedience,**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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, we will now exchange signs of reconciliation and love. The peace of Christ be with you.*

People: **And also with you.**

† An Act of Praise

Antiphon



## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination (*in unison*).....J. L. Nave

**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.**

Lesson from the Gospel: Matthew 18:1-5, 10-14

Response to the Lesson

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Moment

Communion Meditation: Lost and Found ..... Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of Faith: ..... No. 883  
A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

Joys & Concerns of the Church.....Stacey Harwell-Dye

The Offering

Offertory Anthem: Communion Anthem ..... Matthew Phelps

Because Thou hast said, "do this for my sake," the mystical bread we gladly partake. We thirst for that spirit that flows from above, and long to inherit thy fullness of love. Tis here we look up and grasp at thy mind, tis here that we hope thine image to find. The means of bestowing thy gifts we embrace, but all things are owing to Jesus' grace. (Charles Wesley)

† Doxology ..... No. 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host;**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

† Thanksgiving

Celebrant: *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: *Lift up your hearts.*

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

† Prayer of Praise and Thanksgiving



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† Sanctus and Benedictus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav - en and earth are  
 ful\_\_ of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes \_\_ in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Remembrance

People:

Christ has died, Christ is \_\_ ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

Prayer of Consecration

People:

Through your Son, Je - sus\_\_ Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in your Ho - ly  
 Church, all glo - ry and hon - or is yours, Fa - ther. A - men.

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.**

The Breaking of Bread and Taking of the Cup

Hymn after Communion: .....David Evans  
Be Still for the Presence of the Lord

Prayer after Receiving

Celebrant: *You have given yourself to us, Lord.*  
 People: **Now we give ourselves for others.**  
 Celebrant: *Your love has made us a new people;*  
 People: **as a people of love we will serve you with joy.**  
 Celebrant: *Your glory has filled our hearts;*  
 People: **help us to glorify you in all things. Amen.**

SENDING FORTH

† Closing Hymn No. 138: The King of Love My Shepherd Is .....St. Columba

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Spirit of the Living God .....Daniel Iverson

Voluntary: "Little" Prelude and Fugue in G..... Bach/Krebs

*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 rise in body or in spirit.*

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The Call to Worship by Erin Racine.

Cover Art: "The Lost Sheep," by Sawai Chinnawong, a contemporary Taiwanese artist.

Music Participants: Chamber Choir. Matthew Phelps is conductor and assisting at the organ. Andrew Risinger is organist/accompanist.

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Today's Music: "Be Still for the Presence of the Lord," is a contemporary hymn written by British composer David Evans in 1986. This hymn has appeared on the BBC program *Songs of Praise* and was voted one of the UK's most popular hymns in 2019.



*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 everyone:  
 every age, race, gender identity, sexual orientation, economic and family status, ethnicity, and mental and physical ability.  
 We believe God loves everyone unconditionally!*

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