

# WEST END

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



### ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

November 22, 2020 at Eight Forty-five  
Reign of Christ Sunday

2200 West End Avenue  
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

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### GATHERING

Voluntary: Trumpet Minuet..... Alfred Hollins

Welcome ..... Carol Cavin-Dillon  
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Introit: Christ is the King, O Friends Rejoice ..... Gelobt Sei Gott  
Christ is the King! O friends, rejoice: Brothers and sisters, with one voice let the world know He is your choice. Alleluia!

† Opening Hymn No. 157: Jesus Shall Reign ..... Duke Street

† Call to Worship ..... Carol Cavin-Dillon  
Liturgist: *Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!*  
People: **The Lord our God is good.**  
Liturgist: *Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing!*  
People: **The steadfast love of the Lord endures forever.**  
Liturgist: *Enter God's gates with thanksgiving; the courts with praise!*  
People: **The faithfulness of the Lord endures for all generations.**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)  
**Holy and Loving God,**  
**in this season when our own needs are great,**  
**we confess we do not feel as though**  
**we have enough to give another.**  
**We want to care for our neighbors,**  
**but we are distracted, anxious, and weary.**  
**We forget that you do not intend for us to carry our burdens alone.**  
**Forgive us, Loving Parent.**  
**As we meditate on your call to attend to the cries of our neighbors,**  
**to show up for all your children,**  
**to create a life of equity and justice for us all,**  
**remind us that it is in giving that we receive.**  
**Help us to see your invitation to serve as an expression of gratitude**  
**and an opportunity to participate**  
**in the coming of your kingdom.**  
**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.**

† 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.**

The Sacrament of Baptism

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

Liturgist: *Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include this child now before you in your care?*  
People: **With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround this child with a community of love and forgiveness, that he may grow in service with others. We will pray for him to be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.**

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Commendation and Welcome

† Liturgist: *Members of the household of God, I commend John Russell to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase his faith, confirm his hope, and perfect him in love.*  
† People: **We give thanks for all that God has already given you, John Russell, 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.**

† Musical Response.....No. 611, st. 1  
**Child of blessing, child of promise,**  
**baptized with the Spirit's sign:**  
**with this water God has sealed you**  
**unto love and grace divine.**

### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination.....Robb Bigelow  
**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: Matthew 25:31-46

Response to the Lesson  
Liturgist: *The Word of God for the people of God.*  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Moment

Sermon: A Time of Reckoning.....Paula Smith

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

Joys & Concerns of the Church..... Katie Minnis

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: O Praise the Lord ..... Adrien Batten  
O praise the Lord, all ye nations: for his merciful kindness is evermore  
towards us. And the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Amen.  
(from Psalm 117).

† 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**

† Closing Hymn No. 163: Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know .....Hendon

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Alleluia ..... Jacques Berthier

Voluntary: Fugue in G, BWV 541 ..... J.S Bach

† *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 memory of William Lambeth Lester and Pattie  
French Byrn Lester by Elizabeth Fox and Laura and Tom Pollock.

John Russell McWhirter, Jr. “Jack”, son of John Russell McWhirter and Noel  
Strianse McWhirter, is presented for baptism today.



*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!*

Note: activities at the church are on a modified schedule as we practice social  
distancing to slow the spread of COVID-19. Please visit [westendumc.org](http://westendumc.org) for  
the latest news and updates as we continue our ministry.

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Our preacher today is Rev. Dr. Paula Smith, Senior Pastor of Gordon Memorial  
United Methodist Church.

Liturgy by Sarah McCain

Cover Art: “The Sheep” by JB Browne is a piece of mixed media, including 2D  
and 3D materials. More of her work can be found at [www.jbbrowne.com](http://www.jbbrowne.com).

Media Team: Chase Bencin and Mac Pirkle

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

Today’s Music: Isaac Watts wrote “Jesus Shall Reign,” for his 1719  
publication, *Psalms of David, Imitated*. It originally had eight stanzas and was  
titled, “Christ’s Kingdom among the Gentiles.” The original second, third, and  
seventh stanzas are omitted from most modern hymnals. The tune DUKE  
STREET is credited to John Hatton. There is a generic resemblance between this  
tune and TRURO, an anonymous tune to which the text is set in the *Lutheran  
Hymnal Handbook*. DUKE STREET has a long meter, which, according to Austin  
Lovelace, “lends itself readily to majestic subjects and stately treatment”  
(*The Anatomy of Hymnody*, 25). With Watts’ text, this is indeed a very majestic  
hymn, and should be sung in such a manner.

# West End United Methodist Church

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