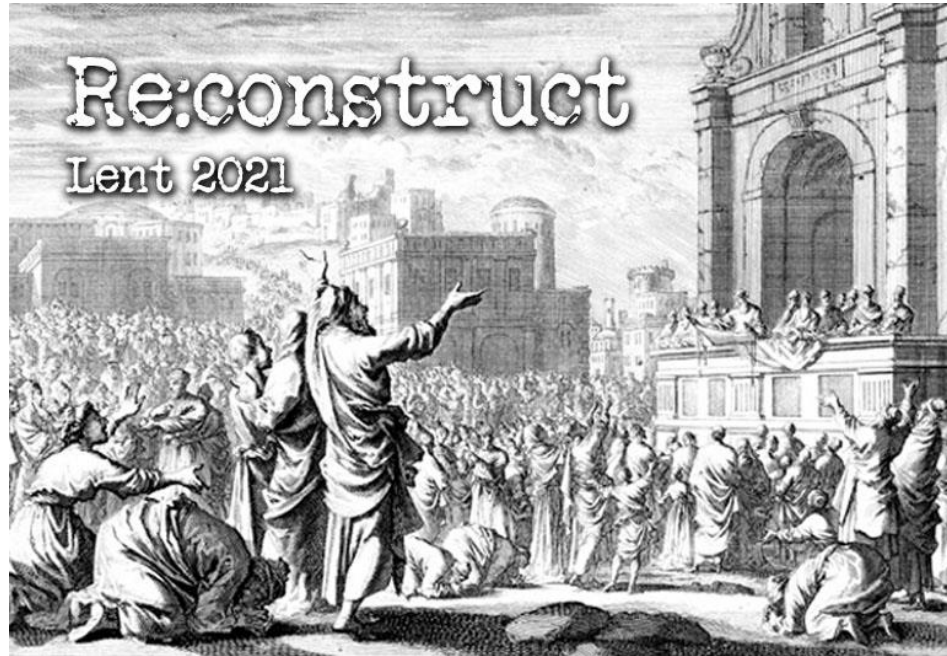


# WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP  
 March 7, 2021 at Eight Forty-five  
 Third Sunday in Lent

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## GATHERING

Voluntary: ..... Randall Buckley Farlee  
 Prelude on "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Welcome ..... Carol Cavin-Dillon  
*Please take a moment to record your online attendance in the link provided in the comment section. First-time guests and other visitors 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: My God, Thy Table Now is Spread..... Rockingham Old  
 My God, thy table now is spread, thy cup with love doth overflow,  
 be all thy children thither led, and let them thy sweet mercies know.

† Opening Hymn No. 108: God Hath Spoken by the Prophets.....Ebenezer

† Call to Worship ..... Brandon Baxter  
 Liturgist: *Let us gather together – in person and across time and space – to worship our God.*

**People: The joy of God is our strength!**  
 Liturgist: *Let us listen with attentive hearts to the Word of God.*  
**People: The joy of God is our strength!**  
 Liturgist: *Let us rejoice and be glad on this holy day!*  
**People: The joy of God is our strength!**


† 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, let us exchange signs of reconciliation and love. The peace of Christ be with you.*  
**People: And also with you.**

† An Act of Praise  
 Antiphon  
  
 Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to all peo-ple on earth.

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination..... Irwin Fisher  
**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 Nehemiah 8:1-3, 9-12

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

Children's Moment

Communion Meditation: Tears in the Foundation.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

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

Joys & Concerns of the Church .....Christopher Harris




The Offering

Offertory Anthem: Ave Verum Corpus..... Edward Elgar  
 Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary, who has truly suffered, was sacrificed on the cross for us, whose side was pierced, whence flowed water and blood: be for us a foretaste of heaven during our final judgement. O merciful, O blessed Jesus son of Mary. (*sung in Latin*)

† 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

† 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.

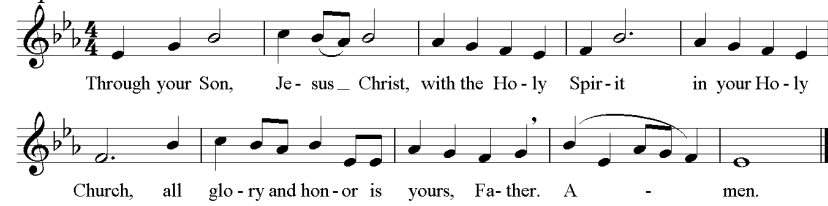
Prayer of Remembrance

People:



Prayer of Consecration

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.**

The Breaking of Bread and Taking of the Cup

Hymn after Communion No. 614:.....For the Bread  
For the Bread Which You Have Broken

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. 368: My Hope Is Built .....The Solid Rock

† Benediction

† Lenten Benediction Response: .....Tallis Canon  
Throughout these Lenten days and nights we turn and walk the inward way,  
where meeting Christ our guide and light, we live in hope till Easter Day.

Voluntary: Prélude from *Trois Pièces* .....Gabriel Pierné

† *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 today are given by Ellen and Buddy Koonce in honor of their  
parents, Mrs. Nancy Stracener and Bettye and Gene Koonce, Sr.

Eleanor Tinsley Terry was born on February 22nd to Laura Terry.

William Doran Murray was born on February 26th to Sarah and Michael  
Murray. He is also welcomed by his sister Olivia Murray.

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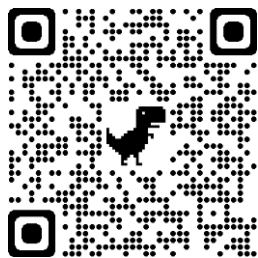
Music Participants: Chamber Choir. Matthew Phelps is organist-director.  
Andrew Risinger is organist

Today’s Music: George Wallace Briggs, who in 1924 wrote our opening hymn,  
“God Hath Spoken by the Prophets,” is a Canon of Worcester Cathedral and  
one of the most distinguished British hymn writers and hymnologists of today.  
Six of his hymns appear in the Episcopal hymnal of 1940 (American). Another  
hymn on the Bible entitled “Word of the living God”; was written for the 25th  
Anniversary of the British Bible Reading Fellowship and was sung in  
Westminster Abbey on June 5, 1947.



*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 for  
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