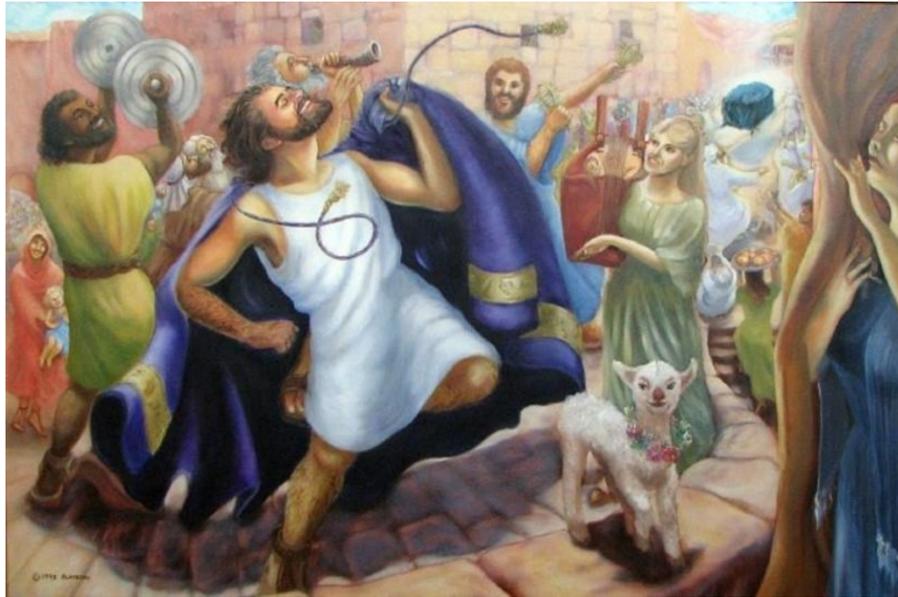


WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
September 19, 2021 at Eight Forty-five
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

2200 West End Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

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GATHERING

Voluntary: Voluntary in G.....William Boyce

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: Thank the Lord..... René Clausen

† Opening Hymn No. 101:..... Duke Street
From All That Dwell Below the Skies

† Call to WorshipNancy Parker
Liturgist: *Sing before the Holy One.*
People: **Let every soul sing God's praise!**
Liturgist: *Dance before the Holy One.*
People: **Let every soul dance with joy!**
Liturgist: *Let us give honor and glory to the Holy One!*
People: **May our hearts rejoice as we worship our God!**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)
Lord of the Dance,
creator of whirling winds and shimmering flames,
we confess that too often we fail to be moved by your Spirit.
We are charmed by the comfort of routine,
and we grant too much power to the opinions of others.
Forgive us, Holy One.
Breathe life into our songs of worship,
and set our hearts ablaze with your word.
May we worship you with boundless joy,
and may you delight in our offerings of praise.
In Christ's name we pray, 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.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination.....Bill Miller
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 Old Testament: 2 Samuel 6:12-22

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

The third-grade children receiving Bibles are invited to come forward to join Maggie at the chancel following the scripture reading.

Presentation of Bibles Maggie Jarrell

Pastors: *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: Dance Like No One (But God) Is Watching.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of FaithNo. 883
A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

Joys & Concerns of the ChurchErin 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: A Canticle of PraiseLarry King
 Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you. Glory to you for the radiance of your holy name; we will praise you and highly exalt you forever. Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you. Glory to you, seated between the cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you forever. Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heav'n glory to you. Glory to you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt your name forever. (Song of the Three Young Men, Daniel 3:52-56)

† 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. 140: Great Is Thy FaithfulnessFaithfulness

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Vaughan Williams
 God Be With You Till We Meet Again (All Sing)

**God be with you till we meet again, by his counsels guide, uphold you,
 With his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

Voluntary: "The people respond - Amen!" from *Rubrics*..... Dan Locklair

† *The congregation is invited rise in body or in spirit.*

*The postlude is the final Alleluia of our worship.
 All are invited to remain for a time of joyful prayer.*

*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 from the wedding of Katherine Trauger, daughter of Byron and Aleta Trauger, to Steven Roussell on September 17.

A rose on the table celebrates the birth of Wells Patrick Flick to Jamie and Ben Flick on September 13. He is welcomed also by big sister Vera.

A rose on the table celebrates the birth of Milly Ann Pendergrass to Ann Stewart and Pearson Pendergrass on September 2 in Charlotte NC. She is welcomed also by her siblings Liza and Ford and grandparents Jean Ann and Barry Banker.

Theodore Russell Walker, son of Bill and Allison Walker, will be presented for baptism later today.

These 3rd Graders are receiving their Bibles in worship today:
 Jameson Bury, Hazel Coldiron, Francesca Fazio, Henry Hardin, Grayson Hollett, Miles Racine, Sidney Tatum, and Eva Grace Woodall.

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 identity, race, sexual orientation, economic or family status, ethnicity, or mental or physical ability. We believe God loves everyone unconditionally!

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The Call to Worship is adapted from a resource by Nancy C. Townley on the Ministry Matters website. The Prayer of Confession is adapted from a resource in the *Abingdon Worship Annual*, 2009.

Cover Art: "David brings the ark to Jerusalem," a painting by Darlene Slavujac Thau created in 1993.

Music Participants: The Sanctuary Choir. Andrew Risinger is organist-director. Matthew Phelps is assisting at the organ.

Today's Music: "Great is thy Faithfulness" is sung to the tune FAITHFULNESS by William Runyan, written specifically for this poem and published by Hope Publishing Company. Runyan wrote: "This particular poem held such an appeal that I prayed most earnestly that my tune might carry over its message in a worthy way, and the subsequent history of its use indicates that God answers prayer."



VOLUNTEER AND SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

It takes multiple individuals to help us provide a warm and inviting environment each week at West End UMC, and while in the midst of a pandemic, more support is needed. To see weekly and special opportunities to volunteer and serve, visit our website at westendumc.org/volunteer. We've also highlighted a few needs below:

- **Habitat Volunteers** - The 2021 Habitat Build is happening this Fall. To find out more and see dates available to volunteer, visit westendumc.org/habitat.
- **Children's Sunday School Teachers** - Do you have a heart for children and want to help kids explore their faith in God? We would love to have you join the Children's Sunday School Team! Contact Maggie Jarrell at mjarrell@westendumc.org to find out more.
- **Livestream and Facebook Worship Hosts** - Help create a warm and welcoming community in the chat and comments sections on either Livestream or Facebook during worship each week. Training is provided. Contact Julie Catterton at jcatterton@westendumc.org to find out more.

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