

WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
October 24, 2021 at Eight Forty-five
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

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Nashville, Tennessee 37203

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GATHERING

Voluntary: Sweet Hour of Prayer arr. Kevin McChesney

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: Lord, Jesus Christ.....17th c. German

† Opening Hymn No. 157: Jesus Shall ReignDuke Street

† Call to Worship Sarah McCain

Liturgist: *Take heart! Our God is with us!*

People: **Let us proclaim the wonders of our God!**

Liturgist: *Take heart! We are called by the Risen Christ!*

People: **Let us follow Jesus on the way.**

Liturgist: *Take heart! God's Spirit unites us!*

People: **Let us rejoice and worship our God together!**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Jesus, Son of David,

**we confess that we want to be a church ever-reforming,
yet we cling to comfortable ways.**

We want to honor your "still-speaking voice,"

yet we are fearful of insights that challenge old assumptions.

We want to live into your dream of unity,

yet we fail to listen to voices of difference.

Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us!

Have mercy on us and hear our prayers.

† 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.**

Voluntary: Joy and ElationCynthia Dobrinski

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 she may grow in service with others. We will pray for her 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 Charlotte Reynolds to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase her faith, confirm her hope, and perfect her in love.*

† People: **We give thanks for all that God has already given you, Charlotte Reynolds, 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 Jeffrey 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 the Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

Response to the Lesson

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Moment

Sermon: Seeing BartimaeusCarol Cavin-Dillon

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

Joys & Concerns of the ChurchBrandon Baxter

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.

Ministry Moment.....Monty Wilson

Offertory: Come Let’s Rejoice..... John Amner

Come, let’s rejoice unto the Lord, let us make joy to God our Saviour.

Let us approach to his presence in confession, and in psalms let us make joy to him. Alleluia. (*Paraphrase of the first two verses of Venite*)

† 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!

Welcoming of New Members

Commendation and Welcome

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.*

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SENDING FORTH

† Closing Hymn No. 369: Blessed Assurance.....Assurance

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Bind Us Together (all sing)Bob Gillman

Bind us together Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.

Bind us together Lord, bind us together Lord, bind us together in love.

Voluntary: Toccata on Jesus Shall Reign David Cherwien

*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.*

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in celebration at the baptism of Charlotte Reynolds Myer by her grandparents Steve & Kem McAllister and Marvin & Sonya Myer.

Charlotte Reynolds Myer, daughter of Kirk and Molly Myer, 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 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 Stephen M. Fearing on *The Wild and Precious Life* blog. The Prayer of Confession is adapted from a resource by Rev. Bonnie Tarwater on the United Church of Christ’s *Worship Ways* website.

Cover Art: “The Blind Bartimaeus,” was created in 2013 by Maria Laughlin, an artist and teacher of art to children in her studio in Sunset, Florida. She is the daughter of Venezuelan artist, Raul Reyes.

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

Today’s Music: DUKE STREET, the tune for our opening hymn, “Jusus Shall Reign,” 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, “Jesus Shall Reign,” this is indeed a very majestic hymn, and should be sung in such a manner.



FIFTH ANNUAL TOWN HALL MEETING

Join us for this year’s annual Town Hall meeting on Sunday, October 31 at 9:45 a.m. in the 4th Story Theater or online. Presenters from various ministry teams will share updates, and we’ll celebrate the many ways God has been at work in and through West End in 2021. We’ll share financial updates and budget plans for 2022; reports from worship, Sunday School, small groups, and ministry teams; and more news about our involvement with Project Thrive in the greater Nashville area. Time to celebrate 2021 and look ahead to 2022!

DRIVE THRU TRUNK OR TREAT – TODAY FROM 4-6 P.M.

Join us this afternoon in the church parking lot for a drive thru Trunk or Treat hosted by the West End Preschool. Our teachers and Room Parents have been hard at work planning their trunks to make this a fun event for all! Visit westendumc.org/trunkortreat to find out more.

ROOM IN THE INN/QUIET SPACE COLLECTION

We are collecting supplies for our Lower Level clothing closet. Bring donations in during the day and drop them off in the blue bin (the one labeled Room in the Inn Donations) located on the first floor. Here's a list of what we are looking for:

Men's clothing only!

Jackets and other cold winter gear

Belts

Long sleeve shirts

Tshirts

backpacks, duffle bags

Socks

Reading glasses

Work boots, tennis shoes

Sweatshirts and sweaters

Jeans

Clean (new in package) underwear

Toiletries

DO YOU RECEIVE OUR FRIDAY EMAIL?

One of the ways to find out what’s going on in our church is to sign up for our Friday eNews at westendumc.org/enews.

WAYS TO GIVE

- Give online at westendumc.org/give. Here you can make a one-time donation or set up a recurring gift.
- Text To Give. Text "Give" to 615-697-4010, and the prompts will help you set up from there. Once registered, you can use this option easily going forward.

WORSHIP INFORMATION ONLINE

Use this QR code and your phone’s camera to access today’s worship information online.

