

ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
April 17, 2016 at Eleven o'clock
Fourth Sunday of Easter
YOUTH SUNDAY

GATHERING

Voluntary: Easter FanfareMatthew Prins
Youth Handbell Choir

Welcome Emily Robbins

† Opening Hymn No 64: Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty.....Nicaea

† GreetingSam Slattery

Liturgist: *God is our shepherd. We can depend on Him.*

People: **God brings us hope and peace.**

Liturgist: *Through trials and tribulations,
God continually provides abundantly for us.*

People: **Even when we doubt and turn away,
God is constant in faithful love.**

Liturgist: *God's love continually flows through our lives.*

People: **In the midst of all creation,
we will praise God in song, worship and service.**

Liturgist: *God's mercy accompanies us on our journey.*

People: **Praise be to God who walks with us and guides us.**

Call to Confession Nash Bolton

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Anger, hatred and anguish blare at us from the media.

The shouts of pain harden our hearts, merciful God.

**We cannot bear it so we turn away and hide,
hoping the hurt will disappear.**

**When we hear the words of the Psalmist singing
about the green pastures and still waters,
our souls long for this place of peace.**

**We think that it can be found outside ourselves,
yet this is a reminder of the peace and hope
that your love offers us from within.**

**We know that we will have struggles and hard times,
but help us, Lord, to place our lives in your care,
to trust in your comfort and guidance.**

Forgive our stubborn resistance to your compassionate love.

Heal us again and help us to always continue on the right path.

We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Anthem: Clap Your Hands..... Michael Jothen

Clap your hands, sing unto the Lord! Clap your hands, sing unto the Lord! For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised! For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised! Clap your hands! Clap your hands, sing unto the Lord! Clap your hands, sing unto the Lord! For the Lord is King! King o'er all the earth! God is gone up with the sound of the trumpet! God is king o'er all the earth! God reigns o'er all the nations! God sits on his Holy throne. (Based on Psalm 47)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination..... Leo Spadafino

**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 Psalter: Psalm 23 (pew Bible, page 435)

Response to the Lesson

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn No 400: Come Thou Fount of Every BlessingNettleton

Children's Time..... Eli Horton

*The children are invited to come forward to join
Eli at the chancel during the last verse of the hymn.*

SermonGeorgia Slattery, Mary Cayten Brakefield,
Jane Royse & Phelps Gambill

You Are With Me

† A Modern Affirmation: No. 885 Nemain Morgan Curtis

Prayers of the People..... Annlyn Zinke

Liturgist: *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: *Let us pray...*

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.**

Call for the Offering:Turner Johnson

Offertory Voluntary: Ride on King Jesus Valerie Stephenson

† DoxologyNo. 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

SENDING FORTH

† Closing Hymn No. 593: Here I Am, LordHere I Am, Lord

† Benediction.....Jackson Guthrie

† Voluntary: Fanfare and RiffsCharles Callahan

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

Head Usher: Barbara Cragg

The altar flowers are given today to the glory of God
and in loving memory of
Elizabeth Murrey and George S. Dibrell,
Elizabeth Dibrell and Alden H. Smith, George Dibrell Smith,
Alden H. Smith, Jr., and Judith Gray Walton Smith,
by their family.

Thanks are given to the youth of West End UMC for preparing today's liturgy.

Greeters and Ushers: Elena Cline, Maggie Morgan, John Morrison
Don Pierce, Sarah Rogers, Drew Rowland,
Eva Whalen, and Aasha Zinke

Thanks to: Marc and Ruth Ann Rowland and Julia Johnson
for their work with this morning's youth ushers.

Music Participants: Youth Vocal Ensemble. Minister of Music, Matthew Phelps and Caitlin Dowling, directors. Youth Handbell choir. Amy Smith, director. Matthew Phelps and Caitling Dowling are organists this morning.

April 19, 2016
Youth Sunday

West End United Methodist Church

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Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff – they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

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