

ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
January 17, 2016 at Eleven o'clock
Second Sunday after the Epiphany

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!

GATHERING

Voluntary: Meditation Gabriel Dupont

Welcome.....Nancy Hawthorne
Please take a moment to record your attendance in the registration pad found near the center aisle, pass it to your neighbor, and then pass the pad back to the center. First-time guests 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: Bless the Lord.....Mikail Ippolitof-Ivanof
Bless the Lord, O my soul and all that is within me
bless his holy name.

† Processional Hymn No. 152.....Forest Green
I Sing the Almighty Power of God

† Greeting.....Becky Peeler
Liturgist: *God's faithful love is priceless!*
People: **Your people find refuge in the shadow of your wings.**
Liturgist: *Let us feast at your house and drink from the river of pure joy.*
People: **Within you, O God is the spring of life.**
Liturgist: *Let us be present in your light, so we may see the Light.*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**If we are to have any hope, Transforming God,
we must face the reality of our lives,
putting a name to our failings.
You hand us a bouquet of gifts,
but we let them wither
by not placing them in your living water.
You call us to speak out
for those who live in the corners and cupboards of our world,
but we believe our silence is the best way to help them.
We listen to those who tell us that to trust in you
is a sign of weakness,
rather than listening to your invitation to hope in you.
Forgive us and fill us with your mercy, God of Peace.
Gift us, so we may respond to those opportunities
to serve your people.**

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

† 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.**

(Please be seated.)

Anthem: Jubilate Deo in B-flat.....Charles Villiers Stanford

O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness,
and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he
is God; it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves; we are his
people and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates
with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful to him
and speak good of his name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is
everlasting; and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
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. (Psalm 100)

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 his service to others. We will pray for him that he
may 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 Garrett Thomas
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, Garrett Thomas, 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

**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 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11.....(pew Bible, page 933)

Response to the Lesson

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

† Hymn No. 550: Christ, from Whom All Blessings Flow.....Canterbury
*The children are invited to come forward to join Nancy at the chancel
during the last stanza of the hymn.*

Sermon.....Nancy Hawthorne
Pilgrims have a "variety of gifts but the same Spirit"

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

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: As Truly as God is our FatherWilliam Mathias

As truly as God is our Father, so just as truly is he our Mother.
In our Father, God almighty, we have our being;
In our merciful Mother we are remade and restored.
Our fragmented lives are knit together.
And by giving and yielding ourselves, through grace,
to the Holy Spirit we are made whole.

It is I the strength and goodness of Fatherhood.
It is I the wisdom of Motherhood.
It is I, the light and the grace of holy love.
It is I, the Trinity,
It is I, the unity.

I am the sovereign goodness in all things.
It is I who teach you to love.
It is I who teach you to desire.
It is I who am the reward of all desiring.
All shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well.
Amen (Julian of Norwich)

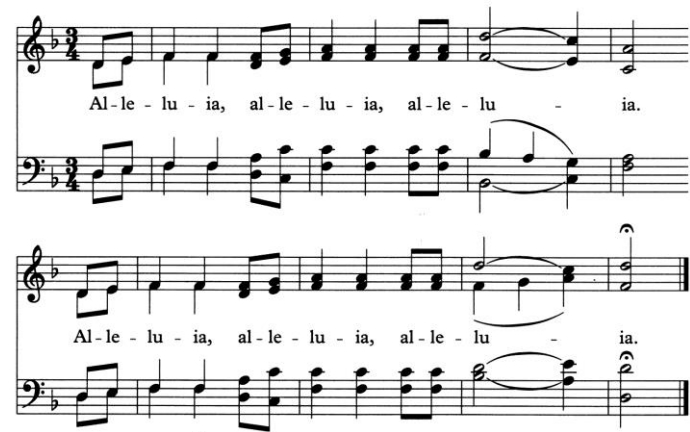
† Doxology No. 95

SENDING FORTH

† Recessional Hymn No. 438: Forth in Thy Name, O Lord.....Duke Street

† Benediction

† Response No. TFWS 2014: Amen (all sing)..... Taizé Alleluia



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TAIZÉ ALLELUIA
Irregular

Voluntary: Musique Royal.....Delalande, arr. Wolff
*All are invited to remain seated for a time of reflection.
If you leave, please do so quietly.*

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

Head Usher: Barbara Cragg

The altar flowers are given today to the glory of God
by Lora and Jim Wade.
They are given in honor of the baptisms of
Garrett Thomas Wade and Henry Addington Chambers
and in memory of Peggy June Williams.

Garrett Thomas Wade,
son of James William Wade and Lora Elizabeth Wade,
is presented for baptism.

Henry Addington Chambers,
son of Nicholas Andrew Chambers and Jocelyn Aders Chambers,
was presented for baptism at the eight forty-five service.

Today's Music:

Music Participants: The Chancel Choir. Minister of Music Matthew Phelps,
director and assisting at the organ. Associate Andrew Risinger is
organist/accompanist. Caitlin Dowling is assisting at the organ.

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January 17, 2016
Preaching: Nancy Hawthorne
Pilgrims have a "variety of gifts but the same Spirit"
1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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