

**GATHERING**

Voluntary: Benedictus.....Alec Rowley

Welcome.....Carol Cavin-Dillon  
*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: The Lord is in This Holy Temple.....Robert McCowen  
The Lord is in this holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before him.

† Processional Hymn No. 139.....Lobe Den Herren  
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

† Greeting.....Lisa Gwock  
Liturgist: *The voice of the Lord – strong and mighty, powerful and full of majesty.*  
People: **It calls to us, calling across the water.**  
Liturgist: *The voice of the Lord breaks forth.*  
People: **It gives us strength and blessing, causing us to shout “Glory to the name of the Lord!”**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)  
**God of all glory,  
you look from heaven and see us as we are –  
not worthy to kneel at your feet,  
not ready to welcome your way.  
Forgive us, gracious God.  
In Christ, stoop down to save us;  
loosen the ties that bind us to sin,  
and set us free to love and serve you;  
in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

† Silent Confession

† Words of Assurance

† 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.**

*(You are invited to pass the peace of Christ to those around 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.**

*(Please be seated.)*

Anthem: Nunc Dimittis (from the Service in G).....Charles Villiers Stanford  
Lord, now letest thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word.  
For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which thou hast prepared before the face of thy people;  
To be a light to the Gentiles, and to be the glory of Thy people Israel.  
Glory be 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.

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

Prayer for Illumination (*in unison*).....Mark Buchanan  
**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 1:4-11.....(pew Bible, page 812)

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

*The children are invited to come forward to join Carol at the chancel.*

Sermon: God’s Beloved .....Carol Cavin-Dillon

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant and the Sacrament of Baptism

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Reaffirmation of Faith  
*You are invited to proceed to one of the four stations and remember your baptism. You may kneel in prayer at the rail and stay as long as you wish.*

*The congregation is invited to join the choir in singing the following hymns during the renewal of baptismal vows: 605, 252, and TFWs 2248.*

Joys & Concerns of the Church.....Nancy Parker

The Offering

Offertory: Salvation is Created.....Pavel Tschesnokoff  
Salvation is created in the midst of the earth, O God, our God. Alleluia!  
*(N. Lindsay Norden)*

† 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**

† Recessional Hymn No. 400: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing...Nettleton

† Benediction

† Benediction Response No. 690.....St. Clement  
The Day Thou Gavest, Lord, Is Ended (vs. 2)  
**We thank thee that thy church, unsleeping while earth rolls onward into light,  
Through all the world her watch is keeping, and rests not now by day or night.**

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

† *The congregation is invited to stand.*

*Livestream and video recording happen during our church services and worship events.*

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The altar flowers are given today to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. and Mrs. William Robert Cate, Sr. by their family.

A rose on the Communion table celebrates the birth of Phinehas Ralph Waltz, born December 17<sup>th</sup> in Cincinnati, OH to Brian and Selin Waltz. He is welcomed also by his grandparents, Melody and Rich Waltz.

Millie Kate Hollett,  
daughter of Travis Buckley Hollett and Emily Lombard Hollett,  
was presented for baptism in the early service this morning.



# West End United Methodist Church

# WEST END UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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!

### Sunday Activities

- Service Times.....8:45 and 11 a.m.
- Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
- Youth Choir Rehearsal\*.....12:15 - 1 p.m.
- Adult Handbells.....1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
- Youth Small Groups\*.....5 - 7 p.m.

### Weekly Activities

- Meal.....Wednesdays, 5 - 6:30 p.m.
- Class Offerings.....Wednesdays, 6 p.m.
- Children’s Choir and Youth Handbell Rehearsals.....Wednesdays, 6 - 7 p.m.
- Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal.....Wednesdays, 7:30 - 9 p.m.
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal.....Thursdays, 7:15pm - 9:15 p.m.

Building Tours are offered on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 9:30 AM, or immediately following the early service. Meet at the Welcome Center in Reed Hall, through the side doors of the Sanctuary.

For a complete listing and additional information on Sunday and Weekly Activities, please visit our website at [www.westendumc.org](http://www.westendumc.org) or see the bulletin insert.

\*Meal provided.

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Head Usher: Barbara Cragg

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

Hymnic Notes: “Praise to the Lord the Almighty” is a hymn that has truly stood the test of time with both its words and music dating back to the 17th century. Hymnologist John Julian declares this to be “a magnificent hymn of praise to God, perhaps the finest production of its author, and of the first rank in its class” (*Dictionary of Hymnology*). The tune for “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” traces its roots back to 1813 when Elkanah Dare, a Methodist minister, adapted it from the camp meeting repertoire for inclusion in John Wyeth’s *Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second*. Its tuneful melody makes it one of the most popular examples of early American hymnody.

Today’s “Thanksgiving Over the Water” liturgy was written by © Rt. Rev. A. Robert Hirschfeld, Bishop of the Diocese of New Hampshire, adapted by Marcia McFee.

### PASTORAL STAFF

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- Brandon Baxter.....Pastor of Spiritual Formation
- Becky Peeler.....Pastor of Children and Family Ministries
- Lisa Gwock.....Pastor of Missions & Outreach
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## Baptism of the Lord



ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP  
January 14, 2018 at Eleven o’clock  
Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

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