

GATHERING

Voluntary: Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus.....Paul Manz

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: O Let Us Praise Thee.....Richard Farrant

† Processional Hymn No. 157: Jesus Shall Reign.....Duke Street

† Greeting.....Stacey Harwell-Dye
Liturgist: *We come to give glory to Christ who frees us.*
People: **We worship the One who redeems our souls.**
Liturgist: *Find joy and peace in the love of the Lord.*
People: **The Lord is our source of comfort and light.**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)
Eternal One, we acknowledge that we cannot overcome our inner darkness.
Pride defines us: We seek value in our own accomplishments, forgetting our true identity in you.
Selfishness motivates us: We hoard our material and emotional resources, failing to give to those around us.
Fear haunts us: We obey our desire for self-preservation, ignoring the abundance of your world.
Divine Light, illuminate the dark places in our souls.
Teach us what it means to be your light in the world, so that our pride, selfishness, and fear may be transformed to love.
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! 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.**

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 her service to others. We will pray for her, that she 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 Carolyn Jane 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, Carolyn Jane, 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 (*in unison*).....David Curtis
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 Gospel.....(pew Bible, page 820)
Mark 8:27-38

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

† Gloria Patri.....No. 71
The children are invited to come forward during the singing of the Gloria Patri to join Carol at the chancel.

**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.**

Sermon: Disciples are Losers.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† A Covenant Prayer in the Wesleyan Tradition.....No. 607

Joys & Concerns of the Church.....Brandon 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.**

Offertory: My Eternal King.....Jane Marshall
My God, I love thee; not because I hope for heav'n thereby, nor yet because who love Thee not must die eternally. Thou, O my Jesus, Thou didst me upon the cross embrace; for me didst bear the nails and spear, and manifold disgrace. Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, should I not love thee well? Not for the hope of winning heav'n, or of escaping hell; not with the hope of gaining aught, not seeking a reward; but as thyself hast loved me, O ever loving Lord! E'en so I love Thee, and will love, and in Thy praise will sing; solely because thou art my God, and my Eternal King. (*Anonymous poem from 17th c. Latin*)

† 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. 159: Lift High the Cross.....Crucifer

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: AmenPeter C. Lutkin

Voluntary: Prelude in B Major.....Marcel Dupré

† *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 to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ann Hardeman Fort, Combs Lawson Fort, and Combs Lawson Fort, Jr. by Linda and Hal Moses.

Carolyn Jane Riley, daughter of Robert Milton Riley, IV and Lindsay Byrd Riley, is presented for baptism today.

Wade Boone Langley, son of Kyle Steven Langley and Anne Boone Langley, will be presented for baptism today in the 11 o'clock service.

A rose on the table celebrates the birth of Caroline Frances Schaedle on August 31, 2018 to Sarah Gabbert Schaedle and Will Schaedle. She is also welcomed by her big brothers, Joe and Eli Schaedle, grandparents, Kay and Craig Gabbert, and uncles Rob and Joel Gabbert.



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.
- College Lunch.....12:00 p.m.
- Youth Choir and Handbell Rehearsals.....12:00 - 12:30 p.m.
- Adult Handbells.....1:15 - 2:15 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.....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 or see the insert.

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Head Usher: Byron Burrus

Cover art by Charles Hooper.

Liturgy written by Jayme Yeo.

Music Participants: The Sanctuary Choir. Associate Minister of Music, Andrew Risinger, is directing. Music Associate, Allison Williams, is assisting at the organ.

Hymnic Notes: The composer, John Hatton, lived for a short time on Duke Street, hence the tune name for “Jesus Shall Reign.” This melody originally was titled, “Newry” in *The Methodist Harmonist*, 1821. The tune for “Lift High the Cross” was written by Sydney Hugo Nicholson and was first included in *Hymns, Ancient and Modern*, 1916 Second Supplement. The tune’s name, Crucifer, literally means “cross-bearer.”

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