

GATHERING

Voluntary: Supplication.....Franklin Ashdown

Welcome.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

Introit: Thank the Lord and Sing His Praise.....Rene Clausen
Thank the Lord and sing his praise, tell everyone what God has done.
Let everyone who loves the Lord rejoice and gladly bear his name. Alleluia.

† Processional Hymn No. 2114 TFWS.....Lauda Anima
At The Font We Start Our Journey

† Call to Worship.....Maggie Jarrell
Liturgist: *God, you have called us by name;*
People: **We are yours.**
Liturgist: *You sent Jesus to show the way;*
People: **We will follow.**
Liturgist: *You sent the Holy Spirit to empower us;*
All: **We will proclaim your glory and your great love for us.**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)
**God of grace and glory,
we thank you that you judge us
not by the perfection of our actions,
but by our readiness to live boldly by faith.
Help us, as individuals and as a congregation,
to trust you and follow where you lead,
that in Christ your name may be glorified in all the earth.
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!**
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.**

Anthem: And the Father will Dance.....Mark Hayes
And the Father will dance over you in joy! He will take delight in whom He loves. Is that a choir I hear singing the praises of God? No, the Lord God himself is exulting over you in joy. And he will joy over you in song. My soul will make its boast in God, for he has answered all my cries. His faithfulness to me is as sure as the dawn of a new day. Awake my soul and sing! Let my spirit rejoice in God! Sing, O daughter of Zion, with all of your heart! Cast away fear for you have been restored! Put on a garment of praise as on a festival day. Join with the Father in glorious, jubilant song. God rejoices over you in song! (*adapted from Zephaniah 3:14, 17 and Psalm 34:2, 4*)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination (*in unison*).....Conner Harris
**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: Acts 9:36-43(pew Bible, page 894)

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

† Hymn No. 474: Precious Lord, Take My HandPrecious Lord
*The children are invited to join Carol at the chancel for the Children's Moment
during the last stanza of the hymn.*

Sermon: The Seamstress of Joppa.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

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: Leaning on the Everlasting Arms.....Eric Nelson
(*Text can be found in the hymnal, #133*)

† Doxology.....No. 94

The Baptismal Covenant and Confirmation

Presentation of Candidates.....Maggie Jarrell

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

Liturgist: *And now to the members of the congregation, I ask: do you,
as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin
and your commitment to Christ?*

People: **We do.**

Liturgist: *Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and
include these persons 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
these persons with a community of love and forgiveness,
that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found
faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them,
that they may be true disciples who walk in the way
that leads to life.**

† Affirmation of Faith.....2019 Confirmation Class Creed
**We believe God creates everything, and God made us in God's image.
We believe Jesus taught us about God's never-ending love,
and he died on the cross because he loves us unconditionally.
We believe the Holy Spirit helps and guides us to fulfill the will of God.
We believe discipleship is trusting and following Jesus.
We believe serving others helps us connect with the church
and the community, and it is a way to give back.
We believe that sin is going against God's will, and although we do sin,
through grace, God will forgive us
and help us forgive ourselves and others.
We believe God's grace reaches out to us
and invites us to show gratitude in response.
We believe the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion
are important because they demonstrate God
working in our lives.
We believe that we come together as the body of Christ to worship
and praise God for all of the good God has done for us.
We believe that in reading Scripture we connect with God, Jesus,
and the Holy Spirit.
We believe the church is a loving place of worship
where you can respect and worship God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit,
ourselves, and others.
We believe love connects us to God because God is love,
and we are called to love and care for others in God's name.**

Confirmation

Commendation and Welcome

Liturgist: *Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to
your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith,
confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.*

People: **We give thanks for all that God has already given you
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.**

Youth Welcome.....Catherine Ryan

SENDING FORTH

† Recessional Hymn No. 581.....Beach Spring
Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

† Benediction

† Benediction Response No. 898: Amen.....Danish



MUSIC: Danish

Voluntary: Fugue in C BWV 531 J. S. Bach

*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.*

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The altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God
and in celebration of the marriage of Meredith Was and Alexander Kocher,
and in loving memory of their grandparents, Cicely and Leonard Beach, Natalie
and Francois Was, Margaret and Thomas Martin, Marguerite and Karl Kocher,
and Dorothy Miller.

A rose on the table celebrates the birth of Carlisle Townsend Wren
born on May 7, 2019 to Mollie and Joel Wren.

Laura Elizabeth Dzwonkowski, daughter of Taylor Morrissette Dzwonkowski
and Jennifer Neill Dzwonkowski, was presented for baptism today
in the early service.

Olivia Foster Murray, daughter of Michael and Sarah Murray,
was presented for baptism today in the early service.



*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.

Children of all ages are welcome in our worship services! However if needed,
childcare is available during worship for children 5 and under on the 1st floor
in the following rooms: infants 105, toddlers 104, twos and threes 110, and fours
and fives 112.

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 www.westendumc.org or see the bulletin insert.

*August-April

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Head Usher: Barbara Cragg

Liturgy: Maggie Jarrell

Music Participants: The Chancel Choir. Minister of Music, Matthew Phelps,
organist-director. Carla Fox, flute. Andie Smith, cello.

Hymnic Notes: The recessional hymn tune, Beach Spring, first appeared in *The
Sacred Harp*, 1844, and was attributed to its co-compiler, Major Benjamin
Franklin White. The harmonization and setting for unison voices was made for
the *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978. The text, “Lord, Whose Love Through
Humble Service,” was written by Albert F. Bayly in response to an invitation by
the Hymn Society of America for hymns on social concerns. It was published
in the society’s *Seven New Social Welfare Hymns* in 1961.

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2019

Confirmation Class Members

- Lily Catherine Bury**
- Connor James Harris**
- Margaret Mae Jenkins**
- Elsbeth McAbee Keefer**
- Henry McAbee Keefer**
- Nathan Michael Lindseth**
- Adelle Isabella Medovich**
- Margaret Burrows Nelson**
- Cailin Margaret Rork**
- Vivian Margaret Sanders**

ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
May 12, 2019 at Eleven o’clock
Confirmation Sunday