

## GATHERING

Voluntary:.....Dieterich Buxtehude  
A Mighty Fortress is Our God, BuxWV 184

Standing on the Promises .....American Hymn, arr. Lamb

Welcome .....Carol Cavin-Dillon  
*Please take a moment to record your online attendance in the link provided in the comment section. First-time guests and other visitors are encouraged to list your address and telephone number or e-mail address so we may share additional information about our church with you.*

† Opening Hymn No. 110: A Mighty Fortress.....Ein’ Feste Burg  
A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and  
power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

† Call to Worship .....Katie Minnis  
Liturgist: *Lord, before we knew your name, you knew us and loved us.*  
**People: Loving God, may we love you with all our hearts.**  
Liturgist: *Omniscient Lord, nothing about us is hidden from you.*  
**People: Loving God, may we love you with all that we are.**  
Liturgist: *Compassionate Lord, your love for us never fails.*  
**People: Loving God, may we love ourselves as you love us.**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)  
**Merciful God, we confess**  
**that we have not loved you with our whole heart.**  
**We have failed to be an obedient church.**  
**We have not done your will,**  
**we have broken your law,**  
**we have rebelled against your love,**  
**we have not loved our neighbors,**  
**and we have not heard the cry of the needy.**  
**Forgive us, we pray.**  
**Free us for joyful obedience,**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.**

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination ..... Doug Arnold  
**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: Matthew 22:34-46

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

Sermon: The Greatest Commandment.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† The World Methodist Social Affirmation .....No. 886

Joys & Concerns of the Church

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.**

Ministry Moment.....Ashley Howerton

Offertory: Holy, Holy, Holy.....Nicea, arr. Ingram

† 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

† Closing Hymn No. 384: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling..... Beecher

† Benediction

Voluntary: Toccata from *Suite Gothique*..... Léon Boëllmann

† *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 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.

Cecilia Jane DeVault, daughter of Mary and Ben DeVault, was presented for  
baptism in the early service today.



# West End United Methodist Church

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# 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!*

Note: activities at the church are on a modified schedule as we practice social distancing to slow the spread of COVID-19. Please visit westendumc.org for the latest news and updates as we continue our ministry.

Liturgy by Sarah McCain

Cover Art: A white rose representing pure love photographed from the Dobson window in our sanctuary, given by Sophia and Matt Dobson in appreciation of their children. Matt Hughes Dobson, IV, James Ezzell Dobson, Lillian Ezzell Dobson, John Morehead Dobson, and in loving memory of their infant son, Moran Dobson.

Media Team: Chase Bencin and Mac Pirkle

Music Participants: Bell Quartet, Scott Brons is directing this morning. Matthew Phelps and Andrew Risinger are organists.

ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP  
 October 25, 2020 at Eleven o'clock  
 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

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