

## GATHERING

Voluntary: Trumpet Minuet ..... Alfred Hollins

Welcome ..... Carol Cavin-Dillon

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

**Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive  
journeys run; his kingdom spread from  
shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.**

**Blessings abound where'er he reigns; all prisoners  
leap and loose their chains; the weary find eternal  
rest, and all who suffer want are blest.**

† Call to Worship ..... Carol Cavin-Dillon

Liturgist: *Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!*

People: **The Lord our God is good.**

Liturgist: *Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing!*

People: **The steadfast love of the Lord endures forever.**

Liturgist: *Enter God's gates with thanksgiving; the courts with praise!*

People: **The faithfulness of the Lord endures for all generations.**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Holy and Loving God,  
in this season when our own needs are great,  
we confess we do not feel as though  
we have enough to give another.**

**We want to care for our neighbors,  
but we are distracted, anxious, and weary.**

**We forget that you do not intend for us to carry our burdens alone.  
Forgive us, Loving Parent.**

**As we meditate on your call to attend to the cries of our neighbors,  
to show up for all your children,  
to create a life of equity and justice for us all,  
remind us that it is in giving that we receive.**

**Help us to see your invitation to serve as an expression of gratitude  
and an opportunity to participate  
in the coming of your kingdom.  
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 ..... Robb Bigelow

**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 25:31-46

Response to the Lesson

Liturgist: *The Word of God for the people of God.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: A Time of Reckoning ..... Paula Smith

† Affirmation of Faith.....No. 883

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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: Come Thou Fount.....Nettleton, arr. Joseph Martin

† 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. 163: Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know .....Hendon

† Benediction

Voluntary: Fugue in G, BWV 541..... J.S. Bach

† *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 in memory of William Lambeth Lester and Pattie French Byrn Lester by Elizabeth Fox and Laura and Tom Pollock.

John Russell McWhirter, Jr. "Jack", son of John Russell McWhirter and Noel Strianse McWhirter, was presented for baptism in the early service today.



*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](http://westendumc.org) for the latest news and updates as we continue our ministry.

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Our preacher today is Rev. Dr. Paula Smith, Senior Pastor of Gordon Memorial United Methodist Church.

Liturgy by Sarah McCain

Cover Art: "The Sheep" by JB Browne is a piece of mixed media, including 2D and 3D materials. More of her work can be found at [www.jbbrowne.com](http://www.jbbrowne.com).

Media Team: Chase Bencin and Mac Pirkle

Music Participants: Matthew Phelps and Andrew Risinger, organists. Carla Fox, piano.

Today's Music: Isaac Watts wrote "Jesus Shall Reign," for his 1719 publication, *Psalms of David, Imitated*. It originally had eight stanzas and was titled, "Christ's Kingdom among the Gentiles." The original second, third, and seventh stanzas are omitted from most modern hymnals. The tune DUKE STREET is credited to John Hatton. There is a generic resemblance between this tune and TRURO, an anonymous tune to which the text is set in the *Lutheran Hymnal Handbook*. DUKE STREET has a long meter, which, according to Austin Lovelace, "lends itself readily to majestic subjects and stately treatment" (*The Anatomy of Hymnody*, 25). With Watts' text, this is indeed a very majestic hymn, and should be sung in such a manner.

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