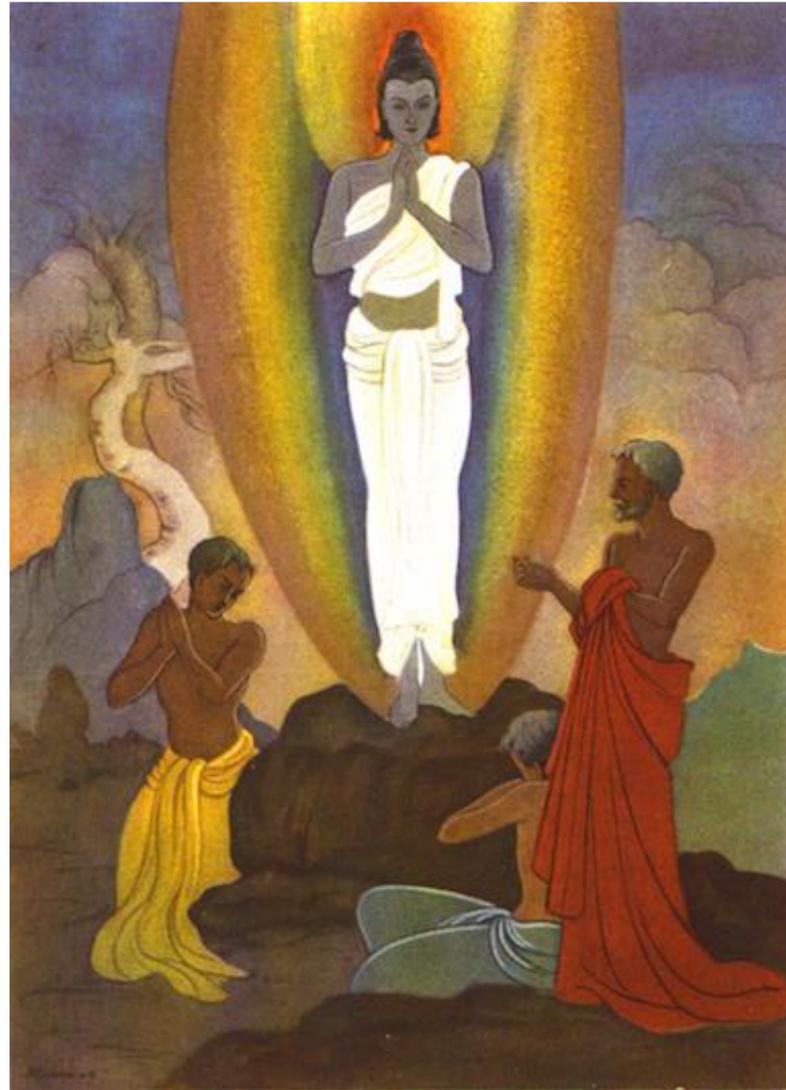


WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

February 14, 2021 at Eight Forty-five
Transfiguration Sunday

2200 West End Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

615.321.8500
www.westendumc.org

GATHERING

Voluntary: Lord Jesus Christ, Turn to Us, BWV 709.....J.S Bach

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.

Introit: Day by Day Harold Friedell

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray: to see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, day by day.

† Opening Hymn No. 154: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name..... Coronation

† Call to Worship Maggie Jarrell

Liturgist: *We who follow Jesus hear his voice, calling us to be apart for a little while.*

People: We will listen and follow, opening ourselves to new visions.

Liturgist: *May our hearts expand to God's bright glory,*

People: shining in the face of Christ the Son!

Liturgist: *Let us worship the Son of God this day.*

People: Let us worship Christ, the Beloved!

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Radiant God, Source of Light,
you surrounded Jesus with your glory,
and you come to us in profound brightness.**

You catch us off guard and expose our weakness.

**We choose the limelight
while you call us to explore the shadows
and brighten the darkness.**

**We seek the spectacular
while you bind up the broken
in countless acts of mercy.**

**We seek to stay on the mountain in comfort
while you walk to the valleys of need.**

**Radiant God, fill us with light and courage
to carry good news into all corners of the world
and to bring back the joy of your presence.**

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..... Tiner Goldsby

**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 9:2-9

Response to the Lesson

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Moment

Sermon: Stewards of the Mystery.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed.....No. 880

Joys & Concerns of the Church Erin Racine

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: Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies.....T. Frederick H. Candlyn

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ the true, the only light,
Sun of righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar in my heart appear.
Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee;
Joyless is the day's return, till thy mercy's beams I see;
Till they inward light impart, cheer my eyes and warm my heart.
Visit then this soul of mine; pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, radiancy divine, scatter all my unbelief; more and more
Thyself display, shining to the perfect day. (Charles Wesley, 1740)

† 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

Reception of New Members

Liturgist: *Family of God, these persons are now entrusted 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.**

† Closing Hymn No. 160: Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart.....Marion

† Benediction

† Benediction Response:Ralph Vaughn Williams

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

God be with you till we meet again, loving counsels guide uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you. God be with you till we meet again.

Voluntary: Fête.....Jean Langlais

† *The congregation is invited rise in body or in spirit.*

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

+++

The altar flowers are given today to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert Adrian Downing and in honor of Peggy Drumright Downing by their family.



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: The Call the Worship is adapted from a resource by David Chafin on the *Life in Liturgy* website. The Prayer of Confession is adapted from a resource by the Reconciling Congregation Program in “Shaping Sanctuary: Proclaiming God’s Grace in an Inclusive Church,” found at www.manyvoices.org.

Cover Art: “The Transfiguration” by Alfred David Thomas (1907-1989)

Media Team: Chase Bencin and Mac Pirkle

Music Participants: Chamber Choir. Andrew Risinger, organist-director. Matthew Phelps is assisting at the organ.

Today’s Music: Edward H. Plumptre is the author of “Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart.” It was written as a processional for the 1865 Peterborough Choir Festival at the Peterborough Cathedral in England. Plumptre published it in his *Lazarus and Other Poems* in 1865 or 1868. Its first inclusion in a hymnal was in the *Appendix to Hymns Ancient and Modern* in 1868. MARION is the most common tune used with this text. It was written for Plumptre’s text in 1883 by Arthur H. Messiter, who added the refrain. Messiter published the tune in a hymnal that he edited in 1893. The tune was named by the composer, but it is not clear for whom it was named.

West End United Methodist Church

PASTORAL STAFF

Members of West End United Methodist ChurchMinisters
Carol Cavin-DillonSenior Pastor
Erin Racine..... Pastor of Hospitality & Congregational Care
Brandon Baxter.....Pastor & Coordinator of Spiritual Formation
Maggie Jarrell.....Pastor of Children & Family Ministries
Stacey Harwell-Dye.....Pastor of Missions & Outreach
Nancy Parker.....Pastor of Young Adults & Vandy Wesley
Katie Minnis Pastoral Fellow

PROGRAM STAFF

Matthew Phelps Minister of Music
Andrew Risinger..... Associate Minister of Music
Emily C. Robbins Minister of Youth
Shelley Kuhlmeier Communications Director

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Sandra Durbin.....Church Financial Officer
Melanie Paulson.....Director, HR & Operations
Jim Raver.....Property Operations Manager
Cindy Siemer..... Senior Administrative Assistant & Membership
Julie Catterton.....Assistant to Senior Pastor
Karina Gurgenzidze.....Childcare Coordinator
Ken NelsonReceptionist and Administrative Assistant
Josh RichardsonReceptionist and Administrative Assistant
Natalee Nave..... Administrative Assistant with Music and Worship
Chase Bencin.....Media Coordinator
Bob Hilton.....Building Engineer
Richard Thomas.....Custodian

WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL MINISTRIES

Candyee Goode.....Executive Director
Cheryl Reeves.....Curriculum Coordinator

INTERNS

Scott BronsMusic
Christopher HarrisYouth
Sarah McCain.....Congregational Care

To reach a member of the staff by email, use their first initial with their last name at westendumc.org, except for Bob Hilton.