

WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
February 28, 2021 at Eight Forty-five
Second Sunday in Lent

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GATHERING

Voluntary: Meditation.....Gabriel Dupont

Welcome Carol Cavin-Dillon

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Introit: Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days Richard Redhead

Lord, who throughout these forty days for us did fast and pray,
teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.

† Opening Hymn No. 100:Lauda Anima

God, Whose Love Is Reigning o'er Us (vs 1, 3, 5)

**God, whose love is reigning o'er us, source of all,
the ending true; hear the universal chorus
raised in joyful praise to you: Praise the Lord,
Praise the Lord, worship ancient, worship new.**

**Holy God of ancient glory, choosing man and
woman, too; Abr'am's faith and Sarah's story
formed a people bound to you. Praise the Lord,
Praise the Lord, to your covenant keep us true.**

**Lift we then our human voices in the songs
that faith would bring; live we then in human choices
lives that, like our music sing: Praise the Lord,
Praise the Lord, joined in love our praises ring!**

† Call to Worship Sarah McCain

Liturgist: *Lent calls us to journey, this and every day, following Jesus
wherever he leads us.*

**People: Lent calls us to journey: to the place where God covenants
with us, to receive the new names we are given.**

Liturgist: *Lent calls us to worship together, to tell future generations the
good news.*

**People: Lent calls us to practice justice, to bring God's hope to all
people.**

Liturgist: *Lent calls us to faithful living, to trust the One who gives us life.*

**People: Lent calls each of us to take up our cross, to trust the One
who bears it with us.**

Liturgist: *Lent calls us to journey with God.*

People: Let us worship God, who walks with us, this and every day.

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Loving and Merciful God,
you come to us and make a covenant,
yet we doubt we will see these promises fulfilled.
You have called us from the wilderness;
you have given us a new name.**

**But we are quick to forget who you are calling us to be.
Everlasting Lord, forgive us for the faith we lack.**

**Remind us of your ever-present faithfulness
and of your promise to be with us:
To love us unconditionally, from generation to generation,
and in every moment in between. 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: These Hands.....Mark Burrows

(Chapel Choir Video)

These hands can help my family, these hands can help a friend.

These hands can warm and comfort, these hands can build and mend.

These hands can reach for new friends in many different lands.

Just think what I can do; I'll serve my whole life through,

serve God's people with these hands.

These hands can feed the hungry, these hands can serve the poor.

These hands can tear a wall down, these hands can open doors.

These hands are small but able to work for God's big plans.

Just think what I can do; I'll serve my whole life through,

serve God's people with these hands.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination..... Brant Phillips

**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 Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Response to the Lesson

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Moment

Sermon: What's in a Name?Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of Faith.....No. 883

A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

Joys & Concerns of the Church Katie Minnis

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: The God of Love my Shepherd Is Thomas Tallis
(Text based on Psalm 23)

† Doxology.....No. 95
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God, above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SENDING FORTH

† Closing Hymn: To Abraham and Sarah St. Theodulph
**To Abraham and Sarah
the call of God was clear:
'Go forth and I will show you
a country rich and fair.
You need not fear the journey
for I have pledged my word:
that you shall be my people
and I will be your God.'**

**From Abraham and Sarah
arose a pilgrim race,
dependent for their journey
on God's abundant grace.
and in their heart was written
by God this saving word:
that you shall be my people
and I will be your God.'**

† Benediction

† Lenten Benediction Response: Tallis Canon
Throughout these Lenten days and nights we turn and walk the inward way, where meeting Christ our guide and light, we live in hope till Easter Day.
Voluntary: Toccata in E minor Johann Pachelbel

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

This service is broadcast online, and video recording does take place. If you do not wish to be on camera, we suggest that you sit in the transept. Thank you for understanding.

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The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Joseph Jordan
Cherry by Vonde, Jordan and Jimmy Caden.



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.

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Call to Worship by Thom M. Shuman. Prayer of Confession by Sarah McCain.

Cover Art: "The Covenant with Abram," a painting hanging on a wall in a home in Jerusalem. The painting is contemporary, but the artist is not known.

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Music Participants: Chamber Choir. Matthew Phelps is organist-director. Andrew Risinger is organist. Chapel Choir (grades 1-6).

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