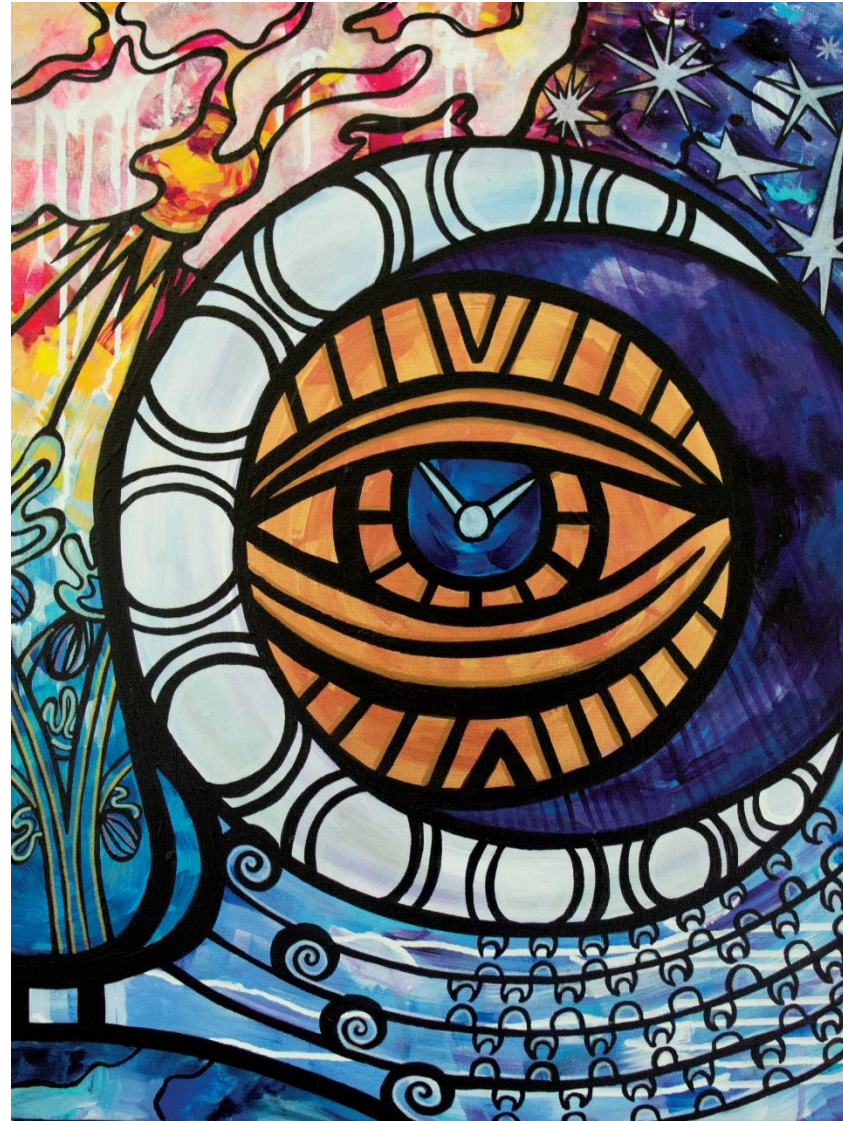


# WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP  
November 14, 2021 at Eight Forty-five  
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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## GATHERING

Voluntary: Prelude on Nicaea..... Carl Mueller

Welcome .....Nancy Parker  
*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: O Let Us Praise Thee .....Richard Farrant

† Opening Hymn No. 64: Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty ..... Nicaea

† Call to Worship ..... Brandon Baxter  
Liturgist: *Come worship the Lord who is in our midst today.*  
People: **There is no Holy One like our God.**  
Liturgist: *We raise our voices to praise the Lord of strength.*  
People: **There is no Rock like our God.**  
Liturgist: *We trust that righteousness will come on the heels of God's judgment.*  
People: **There is no Justice like our God.**  
Liturgist: *May Jesus, the son of our God, lead us into faith.*  
People: **There is no Guide like our God.**  
Liturgist: *Come worship the Lord who is in our midst today.*

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)  
**Holy God,**  
**you are with us in times of building up and in times of tearing down.**  
**We praise your name from morning to night,**  
**yet we build walls that separate us:**  
**from you,**  
**from one another,**  
**from the world,**  
**even from ourselves.**  
**We place stumbling blocks in the way of goodness and truth.**  
**We are led astray by promises of earthly treasure.**  
**We confess our fallibility and seek solace in your loving arms.**  
**Guide us in our efforts to encourage one another,**  
**to work together for good in the world,**  
**and to prepare for the day of the Lord.**

† 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 ..... Anna Lane McMillan  
**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 13:1-8

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

Children's Moment

Sermon: Keep Watch .....Nancy Parker

† Affirmation of Faith .....No. 883  
A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

Joys & Concerns of the Church .....Carol Cavin-Dillon

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 .....Kirby Davis

Offertory: Locus Iste .....Anton Bruckner  
*Sung in Latin: This place was made by God  
a priceless mystery; it is without reproof.*

† 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. 694: .....St. George’s Windsor  
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Taizé Alleluia ..... Jaques Berthier



Voluntary: Prelude in B Major.....Marcel Dupré

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

*The postlude is the final Alleluia of our worship.  
All are invited to remain for a time of joyful prayer.*

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

The altar flowers are given in memory of William Lambeth Lester and Pattie  
French Byrn Lester by Elizabeth Fox and Laura and Tom Pollock.

*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 identity, race, sexual orientation, economic or family status, ethnicity, or mental or physical ability. We believe God loves everyone unconditionally!*

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The Call to Worship and the Prayer of Confession were adapted from the *Worship Elements* post by Sara Dunning Lambert on ministrymatters.com.

Cover Art: “Keep Awake” by Lauren Wright Pittman.

Music Participants: The Sanctuary Choir. Andrew Risinger is organist-director. Matthew Phelps is organist.

Today’s Music: “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” was written in rural England in the mid-nineteenth century, when the life of the village during the winter depended on the bounty of the autumn harvest. While the first stanza of this hymn rejoices over the harvest, the last three stanzas expound on the reminder this image gives of the Parable of the Wheat and the Weeds in Matthew 13. The hymn concludes with a prayer that the final harvest at His Second Coming would happen soon.



**TURN IT IN SUNDAY**

Today is “Turn It In Sunday,” when everyone is invited to share their “estimate of giving” plans for 2022. Estimate cards are in the back of each pew, or you can share your estimate online at [westendumc.org/estimatesnow](http://westendumc.org/estimatesnow). Your estimate helps plan our ministry goals and budget for 2022.

**ADVENT WREATH WORKSHOP**

*Sunday, November 28 // 4 - 5:30 p.m.*

The Advent Wreath Workshop is back in person for 2021! We will be in the gym this year making wreaths to prepare for the Advent season of waiting and hoping for the birth of Christ. Find out more and register online by November 24 at [westendumc.org/adventwreath](http://westendumc.org/adventwreath).

**CHRISMTAS GIFTS FOR KIDS IN FOSTER CARE**

We are pleased to announce that we will once again be providing gifts for kids in foster care in our area through the Tennessee Alliance for Kids. You can select the kids you’d like to purchase gifts for at [westendumc.org/angeltree](http://westendumc.org/angeltree). Gifts should add up to around \$150 per kid and are due to the church no later than November 30. Questions? Ask Stacey by email at [sharwellldye@westendumc.org](mailto:sharwellldye@westendumc.org).

**GET THE LATEST NEWS**

Find the latest news and events on our website at [westendumc.org/thelatest](http://westendumc.org/thelatest).

**DO YOU RECEIVE OUR FRIDAY EMAIL?**

One of the ways to find out what’s going on in our church is to sign up for our Friday eNews at [westendumc.org/enews](http://westendumc.org/enews).

**WAYS TO GIVE**

- Give online at [westendumc.org/give](http://westendumc.org/give). Here you can make a one-time donation or set up a recurring gift.
- Text To Give. Text "Give" to 615-697-4010, and the prompts will help you set up from there. Once registered, you can use this option easily going forward.

**WORSHIP INFORMATION ONLINE**

Use this QR code and your phone’s camera to access today’s worship information online.

