

GATHERING

Voluntary:.....Alexandre Guilmant
March upon Handel’s “Lift Up Your Heads”

WelcomeCarol 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: Blessed is He Ruth Elaine Schram
Blessed is he, Jesus Christ is King. Blessed is he, lift your voice and sing. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he, welcome him with song. Blessed is he, wave the festive palms. Hosanna in the highest.

† Opening Hymn No. 280: All Glory, Laud, and Honor..... St. Theodulph

† Call to Worship Erin Racine
Liturgist: *Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!*
People: **Hosanna! Rejoice, for the Lord is in our midst.**
Liturgist: *He comes with joy and hope.*
People: **He comes to set us free from fear.**
Liturgist: *Hosanna!*
People: **Hosanna! Glory to God in the Highest Heaven!**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)
Lord Jesus,
we are a fickle people, quick to turn away.
We flock to you when all is well, but we are prone to scatter
when there is opposition or criticism.
Too often we have kept silent before you,
afraid to proclaim your praise.
It is easy to join the crowd as you ride triumphantly into Jerusalem –
singing our joys and expectations,
dancing our hopes and dreams.
It is far more difficult to stand by you
as the crowd cries for your crucifixion.
Forgive our weakness when we turn away.
Strengthen us for the journey ahead as we relive your
suffering and death,
that we might stay beside you to the end.
Give us the courage to shout our hosannas, not only today,
but each and every day.

† 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: Sing Glad Hosannas Mark Patterson
Sing glad hosannas to welcome the King of Kings.
Sing glad hosannas rejoice let your praises ring!
Blessed is he who comes this day, who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is he who comes this day, his glory shall be restored. Hosanna, hosanna, exalt him forevermore. Wave your palm branches high to welcome the King of glory. Lift your praise to the skies. This is the day of triumph and praise. This is the day we rejoice.

The Sacrament of Baptism

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

Liturgist: *Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these people now before you in your care?*

People: **With God’s help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these people with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in service with others. We will pray for them to be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.**

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Commendation and Welcome

† Liturgist: *Members of the household of God, I commend Megan Lena and Florence Kandis 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, Megan Lena and Florence Kandis, 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.**

† Musical ResponseNo. 611, st. 1

Child of blessing, child of promise,
baptized with the Spirit’s sign:
with this water God has sealed you
unto love and grace divine.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination (in unison) David Beers
God, through Christ you give us the water of life: Make us thirsty for your word that we may give witness to your great love, poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

A lesson from the New Testament:.....Philippians 2:5-11

Response to the Lesson

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

Children’s Moment

Sermon: The Shape of DiscipleshipAutura Eason-Williams

† Affirmation of FaithNo. 883
A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

Joys & Concerns of the ChurchCarol 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.

Offertory: Every Time I Think About Jesus.....L. L. Fleming
Every time I think about Jesus, surely he died on Calvary.
Every time I talk about Jesus, surely he rose up from the grave.
Every time I shout about Jesus, surely he’s coming from the sky.
(Traditional)

† Doxology.....No. 95

SENDING FORTH

† Closing Hymn No. 285: To Mock Your Reign, O Dearest Lord.....Kingsfold

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Were You There Traditional Spiritual

You are encouraged to leave in silence, meditating on the story of Holy Week and the passion of our Lord.

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

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

Today's palms were purchased with donations made to the Flower Fund. Members and friends of the Church make donations to the Flower Fund to provide for the altar flowers on Sundays when there is not a specific donor. If you would like to donate to this fund, please leave a check in one of the collection boxes and mark the envelope "Flower Fund". Donations may also be made online or by mailing in a check with "Flower Fund" noted.

A rose on the table celebrates the birth of Cosmo Coker England to Sarah and Matt England on March 31st. He is welcomed also by his siblings Bing and Birdie England.

Florence Kandis Smith, daughter of Gentry and Brennen Smith, is presented for baptism today.

Megan Lena Pullen presents herself for baptism today and is supported by Patrick Kim.

Martin Tripp Wiegand III, son of Martin and Jane Wiegand and brother to Francie, was presented for baptism earlier 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 identity, race, sexual orientation, economic or family status, ethnicity, or mental or physical ability. We believe God loves everyone unconditionally!

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Music Participants: The Chancel Choir. Minister of Music Matthew Phelps is director and assisting at the organ. Associate Andrew Risinger is organist/accompanist. The Chapel Choir. Sarah Sharp is director. Asbury Choir. Matthew Phelps, Bethany Wilson, Susy Gillette are leaders.

All members of the Chancel Choir participating in today's service have been vaccinated against COVID-19.



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