

## GATHERING

Voluntary: Chorale Prelude on “Hanover” .....Sam Eatherton

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: Speak to One Another in Words of Psalms ..... Hal Hopson

Speak to one another in words of psalms.

Speak to one another with hymns and songs, giving thanks to God!

† Opening Hymn No. 181: Ye Servants of God ..... Hanover

† Call to Worship .....Brandon Baxter

Liturgist: *God has called us to a gracious way of living.*

People: **Let us leave the past behind and follow.**

Liturgist: *Let us set aside our fear and doubt.*

People: **May we take courage in God’s loving call.**

Liturgist: *This is a day of new beginnings!*

People: **Let us worship Christ, who goes before us!**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Merciful God,  
we confess that we recognize the shortcomings of others  
far easier than we perceive our own.**

**We see others turning away from you,  
and anger is stirred within us.**

**We witness injustice at the hands of others,  
and seek their revenge and punishment.**

**Forgive us for wanting to repay hate with hate  
and violence with violence**

**Help us to recognize the power of restraint  
and accept the challenge of your call to proclaim  
the Good News.**

**May we place you first in our lives  
and follow wherever you may lead.**

† 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.**

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 this child 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 this  
child with a community of love and forgiveness, that he  
may grow in service with others. We will pray for him to be  
a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.**

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Commendation and Welcome

† Liturgist: *Members of the household of God, I commend Sebastian James  
to your love and care. Do all in your power to  
increase his faith, confirm his hope, and perfect him in love.*

† People: **We give thanks for all that God has already given you,  
Sebastian James, 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 Response .....No. 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 ..... David Beers

**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: Luke 9:51-62

Response to the Lesson

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

† Hymn No. 114: Many Gifts, One Spirit.....Katherine

Children’s Moment

Sermon: No Turning Back .....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† An Affirmation of Welcome

Liturgist: *Everyone is welcome at West End!*

**People: We seek to be the loving light of Christ in Nashville  
and beyond.**

Liturgist: *We gather as the people of God with a wide range of  
religious backgrounds, education levels, political  
and theological perspectives.*

**People: We value that diversity.**

Liturgist: *We welcome and celebrate the gifts God has given to  
everyone:*

**People: every age,**

Liturgist: *every race,*

**People: every gender identity,**

Liturgist: *every sexual orientation,*

**People: every economic and family status,**

Liturgist: *every ethnicity,*

**People: and every mental and physical ability.**

**All: We believe God loves everyone unconditionally!**

Joys & Concerns of the Church ..... Frances Merritt

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: Thank the Lord ..... René Clausen

Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell everyone what God has done.

Let everyone who loves the Lord rejoice and gladly bear his name. God recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of Thanksgiving. Alleluia!

† 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 *TFWS* No. 2129: I Have Decided to Follow Jesus..... Assam

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Together Met, Together Bound .....Land of Rest  
**Together met, together bound, we go our different ways,  
and as his people in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.**

Voluntary: .....Felix Mendelssohn  
Allegro maestoso e vivace from *Sonata II*

† *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.*

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The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory  
of their parents, Don Lambert, Robert and Charlotte McKnight,  
and in honor of Betty Lambert. Given by the family of Neil and Ann Lambert.

Sebastian James Counts, son of Donnie and Kayla Counts,  
is presented for baptism today.

Remi Michael Kennedy, son of Sean and Sarah Kennedy,  
was presented for baptism at the 8:45 service today.

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The Call to Worship is adapted from a resource by Sandra E. Graham in the  
book *Touch Holiness: Resources for Worship*. The Prayer of Confession is adapted  
from a prayer by Susannah DeBenedetto on the *Tea and Theology* blog.

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Music Participants: The Chancel Choir. Matthew Phelps is director and  
assisting at the organ. Andrew Risinger is organist/accompanist. Emma  
Jackson, soloist.

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



**ONE SERVICE JULY 3**

On Sunday, July 3 there will be one combined service at 10 a.m. with no  
Sunday School.

**REGISTER NOW FOR CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

Join us this August for another season of Children's Choirs at West End UMC.  
Children will meet on Wednesday nights from 6:15-7 p.m. Register your child  
now at [westendumc.org/childrenschoir](http://westendumc.org/childrenschoir).

**WEST END UMC IS HIRING**

We are searching for some amazing people to join our staff! Currently, we are  
looking to hire the following positions: Church Financial Officer, Preschool  
Executive Director, Media Specialist and Communications Assistant, Preschool  
Teachers, and Childcare Workers. Find out more or apply  
at [westendumc.org/jobs](http://westendumc.org/jobs).

**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.



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*unconditionally.*

**ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP**

June 26, 2022 at Eleven o'clock  
Third Sunday after Pentecost

2200 West End Avenue  
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