

GATHERING

Voluntary: Chorale Prelude on “Hanover”Sam Eatherton

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: Make Me a Clean Heart.....George Thalben-Ball

† Opening Hymn No. 181: Ye Servants of GodHanover

† Call to WorshipBrandon 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 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 Remi Michael 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, Remi Michael, 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 Ed Zinkiewicz
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.**

Children’s Moment

Sermon: No Turning BackCarol 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: O for a Closer Walk.....Scottish Psalter, arr. C.V. Stanford

O for a closer walk with God, a calm and heav’nly frame; a light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb! Return, O holy dove, return! Sweet messenger of rest; I hate the sins that made thee mourn and drove thee from my breast. So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame; so purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.
(William Cowper)

† 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

Welcoming of New Members

Commendation and Welcome

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.*

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† 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 event.*

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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.

Remi Michael Kennedy, son of Sean and Sarah Kennedy,
is presented for baptism.

Sebastian James Counts, son of Donnie and Kayla Counts,
will be presented for baptism at the late service 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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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.

Cover Art by Shelley Kuhlmeier.

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



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.

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.

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.

WAYS TO GIVE

- Give online at 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.

WEST END

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ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

June 26, 2022 at Eight Forty-five

Third Sunday after Pentecost

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