

GATHERING

Voluntary: Partita on *Lobe den Herren*Craig Phillips
Allegro Maestoso
A Little Faster, playfully
Sostenuto, warmly

WelcomeCarol Cavin-Dillon
Please take a moment to record your attendance in the registration pad found near the center aisle, pass it to your neighbor, and then pass the pad back to the center. First-time guests 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: Come, Ye That Love the Lord arr. Alice Parker

† Hymn No. 139: Praise to the Lord, the AlmightyLobe den Herren

† Call to Worship Erin Racine
Liturgist: *Let us turn toward God this day.*
People: **Let us open our hearts to the love of God!**
Liturgist: *May we come before God in humility and repentance.*
People: **God welcomes us all with forgiveness and grace!**
Liturgist: *Let us worship the one who is our hope and our help.*
People: **Let us worship as children of God!**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)
Merciful God,
we confess that our lives often reflect more pride than humility.
We would rather compare ourselves to others and highlight our accomplishments than admit our shortcomings and our need.
Forgive us, O Christ.
Gently remind us that you are the source of our being.
Help us to recognize the places where our pride and privilege separate us from others and from you.
By your Spirit, teach us the way of humility, that we might draw from the deep wells of your mercy and grace.

† 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: The Lord is My Shepherd Mark Patterson
(This anthem is sung as an echo between leader and choir. On the repeat, the congregation is invited to be the echo in response to the choir.)
The Lord is my shepherd. (*echo*)
He loves me I know. (*echo*)
The Lord watches over me, (*echo*)
Wherever I go. (*echo*)

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 she may grow in service with others. We will pray for her 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 Virginia Townley to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase her faith, confirm her hope, and perfect her in love.*

† People: **We give thanks for all that God has already given you, Virginia Townley, 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 IlluminationMary Mitchell
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 18:9-14

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

Children's Moment

Sermon: Pride and PrayerCarol Cavin-Dillon

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

Joys & Concerns of the ChurchDerek Weber

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: Exultate Justi Ludovico da Viadana
Rejoice in the Lord, O ye just; praise is fitting for the upright. Give praise to God upon the harp; play upon the ten stringed psaltery. Sing to God a new song, sing skillfully with a strong voice. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye just; praise if fitting for the upright.
(Translation from Latin, Psalm 33)

† 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

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.*

People: **We give thanks for all that God has already given you 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.**

† Closing Hymn No. 133: Leaning on the Everlasting Arms Showalter

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Bind Us Together Bob Gillman
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord, bind us together in love.

Voluntary: Allegro Marziale Frank Bridge

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

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

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

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 altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of all those who give abiding and unconditional love.

Virginia Townley Morrison, daughter of Mark and Sara Morrison, is presented for baptism today.

Liturgy by Erin Racine.

Cover art: "The Pharisee and the Publican" was created by the British painter John Everett Millais in 1864.

Music Participants: The Sanctuary Choir. Andrew Risinger is organist-director. Matthew Phelps is assisting at the organ. The Asbury Choir. Bethany DiSantis is directing this morning.

Today's Music: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" is loosely based on Psalm 103: 1-6 and Psalm 150, but it pulls on imagery of praise from throughout the psalms. First written in five stanzas in German and published in 1680 by Joachim Neander, the first three verses of the original text were translated in 1863 by Catherine Winkworth. The fourth and fifth verses were translated anonymously.



ANNUAL TOWN HALL MEETING // SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

Join us for this year's annual Town Hall meeting on Sunday, October 30 at 9:45 a.m. in the 4th Story Theater or online. Presenters from various ministry teams will share updates, and we'll celebrate the many ways God has been at work in and through West End in 2022. We'll share financial updates and budget plans for 2023; reports from worship, Sunday School, small groups, and ministry teams; and more news about our involvement with Project Thrive in the greater Nashville area. Time to celebrate 2022 and look ahead to 2023!

COLLEGE FRESHMAN ADDRESSES

Our youth ministry is putting together care packages for our college freshmen - so we need their current addresses! If you have a college freshman (or are one), please email Emily at erobbins@westendumc.org with their current address by October 27. Also, if you are interested in adding to our care packages email Emily as well. We are collecting items before (and on) Sunday, October 30 to have a variety of goodies to send. Some ideas: packaged cookies/brownies, \$10 gift cards, lip balm, Nashville themed items.

ONLINE MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Interested in joining West End? Our next 4-week Membership Class will be held online on Sunday evenings beginning October 30 from 6-7pm. Visit westendumc.org/membership to sign up.

TRUNK OR TREAT 2022 // THIS SATURDAY

You're invited to join us on Saturday, October 29 from 4-6 p.m. for our annual Trunk-or-Treat celebration. This year's grand event will be a pedestrian-style walkthrough event with traditional trick-or-treating, carnival games, and a bounce house. The event is free of charge and open to the public. BBQ dinners will be available to all guests in McWhirter Hall. Adult BBQ plates are \$10 and kids' plates are \$5. Visit westendumc.org/tot to find out more.

COUNSELOR-LED GRIEF PROCESSING GROUP

Grief can be a difficult experience to process, especially without support. This grief processing group has been designed to provide a safe and welcoming environment for you to share your grief. The group will be led by Cara Lindell, MA, LPC-MHSP from The Counseling Center at Belle Meade UMC. Group sessions will be held on Monday evenings November 7-December 12 from 6-7 P.M. in Room 322. Register by October 30 at westendumc.org/grief.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT WEST END

Wednesday Nights at West End are back! Take a moment in the middle of your week to fellowship with other believers and encounter God. It starts with Wednesday Night Dinner at 5:15 p.m. Children Choirs and the new Encounter worship service begin at 6:15 p.m. Find out more and RSVP for dinner at westendumc.org/Wednesday.

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.



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