

## GATHERING

Voluntary: Slow Air in E Minor ..... Herbert Howells

Welcome ..... Carol Cavin-Dillon  
*Please take a moment to record your attendance.  
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

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

† Call to Worship .....Erin Racine  
Liturgist: *We gather to worship the one who made us.*  
People: **Show us your glory, that we might know you more.**  
Liturgist: *We gather to worship the one who calls us.*  
People: **Show us your glory, that we might hear you more.**  
Liturgist: *We gather to worship the one who knows us by name.*  
People: **Show us your glory that we might love you more.**  
Liturgist: *Let us worship in the presence of the one who gives us rest.*  
People: **We will worship in joy and in peace.**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (in unison)  
**O God who knows us by name,  
in your sight we find surprising favor.  
Yet we confess that too often  
we fail to sense your glorious presence among us.  
Forgive us when we pass by opportunities  
to encounter your transforming Spirit.  
Forgive us when we fail to seek your glory  
through the work of justice in the world.  
Amend our hearts,  
that our lives might reflect the joy and peace  
of knowing and serving you.**

† 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: Oh, Sing to the Lord...Brazilian Folk tune/arr. Harriet Ziegenhals

Oh, sing to the Lord, Oh sing God a new song...  
Oh, sing to our God. Oh sing to our God!  
For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders...  
Oh sing to our God. Oh sing to our God!  
For Jesus is Lord! Amen, Alleluia! ...  
Oh sing to our God. Oh sing to our God!

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination ..... Robb Bigelow  
**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 Old Testament: Exodus 33:11-23

Response to the Lesson

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

Children's Moment

Sermon: What Do You See?..... Derek Weber

† 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.**

Offertory: I Shall See ..... Michael John Trotta  
Teach me your way; lead me in a straight path. One thing I seek, I seek  
to dwell in your house. Your face I seek, hide not from me. You are my  
light, whom should I fear? In times of trouble he shall hide me. I will  
not fear. He is my strength. I believe I shall see all of your good in the  
land of the living. Wait upon him, and he will strengthen you. Wait for  
him, he is your strength. I will not fear. He is my strength. (*Psalm 27*)

† 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!**

Consecration of New Church Leaders

## SENDING FORTH

† Recessional Hymn No. 361: Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me ..... Toplady

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Alleluia .....Jacques Berthier

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Voluntary: To You God, I Will Sing..... Max Reger

*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.*

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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 today are given in loving gratitude for Russ and Ruth Montfort and all the ministers and families who have guided West End UMC for 150 years.

The Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession are by Derek Weber.

Cover Art: *Moses Sees God*, artist unknown.

Music Participants: The Sanctuary Choir. Chapel Choir (3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> graders), Emma Jackson, director. Andrew Risinger is organist-director. Matthew Phelps is assisting at the organ.

Today's Music: There is a legend that Augustus Toplady was inspired to write our recessional hymn, "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me," after finding shelter from a thunderstorm in a cleft in a rock at Burrington Combe in Somerset, England in 1776. While evidence to support that story is lacking, it does provide a vivid image through which to understand the hymn. Christ and His redemptive work on the cross are like that cleft in the rock, where we can find shelter from the deluge of sin's guilt and power.

#### WAYS TO GIVE

- Give online at [westendumc.org/give](https://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



#### JOURNEY TOWARDS JUSTICE

What is needed in this day and age to challenge the injustices of racism? What can we learn from the horrors of the racism in the past, the commitment of those who participated in the civil rights movement, and how that learning translates into real change toward the beloved community? We invite you to a year long journey into learning in a way that challenges us to act today. We will be looking at the throughline of history to see how the transatlantic trade of enslaved humans directly influenced voting, housing, mass incarceration, and violence. We will also be forging relationships between members of four congregations (Gordon Memorial, Clark Memorial, West End, and Mt Pisgah UMCs). We will work side-by-side to live into our baptismal vows to resist evil, injustice and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves. Interested? Join us this afternoon, January 29 at 2 p.m. in McWhirter Hall for a worship service and information session.

#### Volunteer With Our Spotlight Organization

We have had several of you step up to be "village people" (volunteers to befriend a resident (VIP) of the Glencliff Villages), but we still need more folk. All but two of the current VIPs now have a special friend - both of these are men, and one only speaks Spanish - but there will be three new VIPs coming to live in recovery from surgery in one of the vacant tiny houses. It would be great to have a volunteer ready to welcome them (by mail or by phone). Please consider agreeing to be a "village person" in this very simple way (just a card, a phone call and eventually maybe a visit). This is a kind of Samaritan gift of our selves to folk who have been homeless and then required surgery. Find out more and volunteer at [westendumc.org/glencliff](https://westendumc.org/glencliff).

#### Reading God's Story Together

There are 175 people signed up to read the Bible with us thru 2023. It's not too late to join us. Sign up now at [westendumc.org/bibleyear](https://westendumc.org/bibleyear) to find all the information you need to participate in reading with us, plus how to get involved in a small group, upcoming large group gatherings, reading guides and more. Come and be part of the story!

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT WEST END

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](https://westendumc.org/Wednesday).

#### JOIN A SUNDAY MORNING CLASS

Looking for a way to connect further on Sunday mornings outside of our worship service? We have several welcoming Sunday Morning Classes where you can find community and deepen your spiritual relationship. Visit the Welcome Center or [westendumc.org/sundayschool](https://westendumc.org/sundayschool) to find out more.

#### 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](https://westendumc.org/enews).

# WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



#### ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

January 29, 2023 at Eight Forty-five  
Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

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