

GATHERING

Voluntary: Prelude on “Wondrous Love” Paul Manz

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: Christ, We Do All Adore Thee..... Theodore Dubois

† Processional Hymn No. 173: Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies ... Ratisbon

† Call to Worship.....Frances Merritt
Liturgist: God's love has been poured into our hearts.
People: **This is the gift of the Holy Spirit.**
Liturgist: We trust in God's overflowing grace.
People: **Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (in unison)
**Lord, you know who we are.
You know everything we have done.
We thirst for things that will never satisfy us.
We commit ourselves to things that will never last.
We worship things that will never bring salvation.
Still, you offer us the gift of living water.
Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life.
Forgive us, O Lord, and give us this living water,
so that we may never thirst again.**

† 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.....Thomas Matthews
The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down
in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth
my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's
sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death , I
will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they
comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine
enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely
goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will
dwell in the house of the Lord forever. (Psalm 23)

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 Wilhelmina
Grace 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,
Wilhelmina Grace, 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

Lenten Prayer for Illumination

**Holy God, as we turn to the scriptures, open our hearts and minds
that we might encounter you in the person of Jesus Christ. Be with us
as the word is read and proclaimed, that we might know you more
fully and follow you more faithfully.**

A lesson from the Gospel: John 4:5-19, 25-30, 39

Response to the Lesson

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

† Hymn: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say.....Kingsfold
**I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast.”
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary worn and sad;
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Behold I freely give
the living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live.”
I came to Jesus and I drank of that lifegiving stream;
my thirst was clenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, “I am this dark world's light;
Look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright.”
I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk till traveling days are done.**

Children's Moment

Sermon: Jesus at the Well.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

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

Joys & Concerns of the ChurchStacey Harwell-Dye

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: We Shall Walk Through the Valley Undine Moore Smith
We shall walk through the valley in peace. If Jesus himself shall lead
us, we shall walk through the valley in peace. There will be no trials
there. If Jesus himself shall lead us, we shall walk through the valley in
peace. (African American spiritual)

† 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

† Recessional Hymn No. 292: What Wondrous Love is ThisWondrous Love

† Benediction

† Lenten Benediction Response:..... Tallis Canon
**Throughout these Lenten days and nights we turn to walk the inward way,
Where meeting Christ our guide and light, we'll live in hope 'til Easter day.**

Voluntary: Chromatic FugueJohann Pachelbel

*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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Wilhelmina Grace Brandes is presented for baptism this morning.

The altar flowers are given today in celebration of the baptism of Wilhelmina
Grace Brandes and in memory of her late grandparents Peggy Faye Turner and
Colonel William Frederick Brandes by her grandparents, Jan Lewis Brandes
and Brent Aleshire Soper.

A rose on the table celebrates the birth of Wells Everett Bach on January 28th to
Jenny and Kevin Bach. He is also welcomed by sister Madeline.

The call to worship and prayer of confession are adapted from the Feasting on
the Word Worship Companion for the third Sunday in Lent., year A volume 1.
Bulletin Cover: "The Samaritan Woman and Jesus," by Bhanu Dudhat, who
was born in 1949 into a poor family in rural India. His passion for art began at
an early age, and although his life has not been an easy one, he has become one
of the best-known artists in India.

Music Participants: The Chancel Choir. Matthew Phelps is organist-director.
Sarah Dunnevant, soprano soloist.

Today's Music: The author of our recessional hymn, "What Wondrous Love is
This," remains anonymous, but it's known as a traditional American folk song,
first published in 1811. The text has remained basically untouched since it was
first made popular by the Sacred Harp shape singers in 1844. Some hymnals
leave out the stanza: "When I was sinking down," and others include a verse
that repeats the first verse with the last two lines "That Christ should lay aside
his crown for my soul -What wondrous love is this, O my soul!"



WORSHIP INFORMATION ONLINE

Use this QR code and your phone's camera to access today's worship
information online.



NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES MARCH 15

Encounter, Children's Choirs and Wednesday Night Dinner will take a break this
week, but will return next Wednesday, March 22.

JOIN US MARCH 22 FOR SUPPER AND STORYTELLING

As part of celebration of our 150th year, we are excited about a very special event
on Wednesday, March 22. Join us in the 4th Story Theater at 6 p.m. to hear members
of the West End family tell stories from days recent and long past. People of all ages
will be sharing, and it will be a fun night of celebration for all of us. If you'd like to
gather for supper beforehand, you can RSVP at westendumc.org/wedsdinner. Come
join the fun!

LENTEN NOON CONCERTS CONTINUE MARCH 16

Our Lenten Noon Concert Series continues with guest organist, Jonathan Rudy.
Jonathan's program will include music of Mozart, Bach, and Healey Willan. Each
half-hour concert will begin promptly at noon, and admission to all concerts is free.
Following the concert, lunch is available at 12:30 p.m. in McWhirter Hall for \$12.
Lunch requires reservations. Register online at westendumc.org/lentenconcerts or call
the church at 615.321.8500 by noon on Wednesday, one day prior to each concert.

CHORAL CONCERT - PASSION OF ST MARK

Hear the story of Christ's passion in a dramatic piece of music by composer Charles
Wood featuring our Chancel Choir on Sunday March 26 at 4:30 p.m. Rarely
performed in the US, this will be a moving experience.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE NOW

The West End Scholarship Committee is now accepting applications for the 2023 -
2024 academic year. To find out more about criteria and download applications,
visit westendumc.org/scholarships. The deadline is Wednesday, March 15.

VBS REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

VBS is June 12-15 this year 5-7pm. Children 3 years old by June through rising
5th grade are invited to join us for Hero Central VBS this summer! Cost is \$10 per
child and includes a snack supper each evening. Register at westendumc.org/vbs2023.
Youth and adult volunteers are needed for VBS. If you are interested in helping,
please contact Maggie Jarrell mjarrell@westendumc.org.

EASTER EGG HUNT - SATURDAY, APRIL 1 AT 9:45 AM

Join us for an Easter Egg Hunt Saturday April 1st! We'll have snacks, crafts, hear the
Easter Story, and hunt eggs! All ages are welcome. We need volunteers to help hide
eggs at 9 a.m. Saturday morning. If you are willing to help, please contact Maggie
Jarrell mjarrell@westendumc.org.

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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