

GATHERING

Voluntary: Prelude on “Lyons” Robert Powell

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: Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now 17th c. German

† Processional Hymn No. 73: O Worship the King Lyons

† Call to Worship Nancy Parker
Leader: *God who showed up for Elijah in unexpected ways,*
People: may we sense your presence among us.
Leader: *God of the thunder and the whisper*
People: help us hear your voice today.
Leader: *God who sends us to do your will,*
People: may we follow where you would lead.

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)
Holy God,
you meet us where we are this day,
just as we are.
And yet, when we listen for your voice,
too often we fail to hear the gentle whisper
through the many other voices clamoring for our attention.
When you call us to follow, to take up your cause,
we make excuses or turn away.
Forgive us, God, for the ways we miss or ignore your call.
Forgive us for the harm we cause to others.
Forgive us for the harm we cause to ourselves.
Open our hearts to receive your word.
May we be your people, your prophets, your disciples, your children
all the days of our lives.

† 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.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination Ellie McCord and Harrison Wilson
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 1 Kings 19:11-15, 19-20

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

Children’s Moment

Sermon: Meeting God in the Burnout Carol Cavin-Dillon

Joys & Concerns of the Church Shannon Baxter

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: Almighty and Everlasting God Orlando Gibbons
Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities, stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us: through Christ our Lord. Amen.

† 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!

The Baptismal Covenant and Confirmation

Presentation of Confirmands Maggie Jarrell

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

Liturgist: *And now to the members of the congregation and family members present, I ask: do you, as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?*

People: **We do.**

Liturgist: *Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons 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 these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.**

† Affirmation of Faith Confirmation Affirmation of Faith 2023
We believe in God Almighty, creator of all, who teaches us and helps us in tough times.
We believe Jesus is the son of God, a miracle maker, and the Messiah who was crucified and risen to save us from our sins.
We believe the Holy Spirit is part of God and part of everyone, the bridge between heaven and earth and between God and us.
We believe the Bible is our sacred text that contains the teachings of God and is worth reading but is sometimes hard to understand.
We believe worship is a chance to raise our spirits and to connect with God and people by singing, dancing, and praising God.
We believe sacraments connect us to the church; Baptism affirms that we belong to God, and Holy Communion reminds us of the Last Supper when Jesus offered himself as body and blood for us.
We believe God’s grace is amazing, has a sweet sound, is freely given, and provides relief from evil.
We believe the church is community committed to God, where we come to worship God and meet people, and work together to help others.
We believe serving others shows respect to God, shows respect to other people, celebrates our differences, and spreads goodness.
We believe disciples are followers of Jesus and leaders who teach others, resist sin, do good, and love their neighbors.

Confirmation

Commendation and Welcome

Liturgist: *Members of the household of God, I commend these persons 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.

Youth Welcome Connor Harris

SENDING FORTH

Prayer of Blessing Carol Cavin-Dillon
for Rev. Nancy, Geoff, and Liam Parker

† Recessional Hymn No. 396: O Jesus, I Have Promised Angel's Story

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Go with Us Lord and Guide Our Way Tallis Canon
**Go with us Lord and guide our way through this and every coming day,
That in your spirit strong and true, our lives may be our gift to you.**

Voluntary: Allegro Con Spirito Frank Bridge

† *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.

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 flowers on the altar were donated by Frank and Lynn Clement in loving memory of their parents, Gov. and Mrs. Frank G. Clement and Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Franklin Moore, Jr.

Claire Elyse Couche, daughter of Sarah and Steven Couche, will be presented for baptism during the 11 o'clock service today.

Music Participants: The Sanctuary Choir. Andrew Rising is organist-director and Matthew Phelps assists at the organ.

Today's Music: "O Jesus, I Have Promised," was composed for the confirmation of John Bode's children. It was originally titled, "A Hymn for the Newly Confirmed," with the scripture, "Lord, I will follow Thee whithersoever Thou goest." (Luke 9:57). The hymn entered Methodist hymnals in 1901. (Carlton Young)

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.



Celebrate Pastor Nancy

Please join us today, as we celebrate Rev. Nancy Parker and her ministry at West End UMC with a reception of refreshments in Reed Hall during the Sunday School hour. Nancy would like any donations in her honor to be given to the Vanderbilt Wesley Foundation at <https://www.vandywesley.org/give/>

Cakes, Cookies, and Treats Needed for HG Hill

Our partner school, HG Hill Middle School, is hosting a family carnival on May 19 with a cake carousel and they need treats! They would like homemade or store-bought cake, cupcakes, or cookies. They can accept the treats at the school as early as the Wednesday before the event. Our liaison, Anne Underhill, will be at the church on Thursday, May 18, from 12:30 - 4:00 pm to receive any donations you need taken to the school. If you have any questions or need to make other arrangements to get treats to the school, please email Anne Underhill at annerunderhill@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible School

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 Hotline VBS this summer! The cost is \$10 per child and includes a snack supper each evening. Youth and adult volunteers are needed for VBS. If you are interested in helping, please contact Maggie Jarrell mjarrell@westendumc.org. Register Now at <https://www.westendumc.org/vbs2023>

Be A Mentor This Summer

Mentor for WEUMC-Bethlehem Centers Summer Junior Internship Program
Would you like to help a high school student build confidence and gain strengths in a first job experience? West End provides mentors for Pearl-Cohn students working in Bethlehem Centers' summer day care, gardening, and meals programs. West End mentors meet in pairs with interns on Thursdays from 1-2 p.m. from June 8-July 14 at Bethlehem Center on Charlotte Avenue. Prior to the program, West End mentors receive training for mentoring high school students and a full set of topics and guidelines for the mentoring sessions. We need 12-15 mentors (a few to serve as back-up mentors in case of absence or travel). If you are interested or want more information, please contact Marcia McDonald at mamcd915@gmail.com or Pastor Stacey Harwell-Dye at sharwelldye@westendumc.org.

Project Transformation Reading Week

Project Transformation is a United Methodist-affiliated ministry that provides leadership development and ministry exploration opportunities to college-age young adults. Working with churches in low-income neighborhoods in Middle Tennessee, these emerging leaders coordinate community-oriented programs for underserved children and youth. In the process, Project Transformation connects site churches with their neighborhood and unites partner churches in mission. There are many opportunities for you to be involved. Volunteer at westendumc.org/PT or contact Jennifer Hoffman with questions at 615.665.2340 or jenniferhoffman@outlook.com.

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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.

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