

GATHERING

- Voluntary: Canon George Chadwick
- Welcome Carol Cavin-Dillon
Please take a moment to let us know you are here today by either filling out the attendance form in the pew or by clicking on the attendance form online. If you are a first-time guest today, please share a way to connect so that we can share more information about West End UMC with you!
- Introit: Gelobet Sei Gott
May Christians All with One Accord
- † Opening Hymn No. 698: God of the Ages National Hymn
- † Call to Worship Will McLeane
Liturgist: God of the new heavens and new earth,
People: we will delight in your new creation!
Liturgist: May the day come when tears turn to laughter.
People: May the day come when we will no longer toil in vain.
Liturgist: God of the lion and the lamb,
People: we look forward to the day when all shall live together in peace!
- † Call to Confession
- † Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)
**Merciful God, we confess
that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**
- † 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.

- † An Act of Praise
Antiphon



Choir: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

All: (Antiphon)

Choir: Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

All: (Antiphon)

Choir: You are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.

All: (Antiphon)

Choir: For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ.

All: (Antiphon)

Choir: With the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

All: (Antiphon)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

- Prayer for Illumination Brant Phillips
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 Isaiah 2:1-5; 65:17-22, 25

Response to the Lesson

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Moment

Communion Meditation Carol Cavin-Dillon
What the Prophets Saw

- † Affirmation of Faith
**We are not alone, we live in God's world.
We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Joys & Concerns of the Church Shannon Baxter

The Offering

Offertory: Author of Life Divine Eric Thiman
Author of Life Divine, who hast a table spread, furnished with mystic wine and everlasting bread, preserve the life Thyself hast self-given, and feed and train us up for heaven.

Our needy souls sustain with fresh supplies of love till all thy life we gain and all thy fullness prove, and strengthened by thy perfect grace, behold without a veil Thy face. (Charles Wesley)

- † 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.**

† Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

† Prayer of Praise and Thanksgiving

SENDING FORTH

† Sanctus and Benedictus

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav-en and earth are
 ful_ of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
 comes_ in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Prayer of Remembrance

People:

Christ has died, Christ is_ ris-en, Christ will come a-gain.

Prayer of Consecration

People:

Through your Son, Je-sus_ Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it in your Ho-ly
 Church, all glo-ry and hon-or is yours, Fa-ther. A-men.

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.**

The Breaking of Bread and Taking of the Cup

The congregation is invited to join the choir in singing the following hymns during communion: 616, 593, 453.

Prayer after Receiving

Celebrant: You have given yourself to us, Lord.
People: Now we give ourselves for others.
Celebrant: Your love has made us a new people;
People: as a people of love we will serve you with joy.
Celebrant: Your glory has filled our hearts;
People: help us to glorify you in all things. Amen.

† Recessional Hymn No. 729..... Jerusalem
 O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines

† Benediction

† Benediction Response:..... Danish Amen

A-men, a-men, a-men.

MUSIC: Danish

Voluntary Felix Mendelssohn
 Allegro maestoso e vivace from Sonata II

*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.*

ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

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This week's liturgy was written by Maggie Jarrell.

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Music Participants: Members of Chancel and Sanctuary Choirs. Matthew Phelps is the director and assists at the organ. Andrew Risinger is the organist/accompanist.

Today's Music: "God of the Ages" was written in 1876 for a centennial Fourth of July celebration. The hymn entered the UMC hymnals in 1905. In many hymnals, the text is known as, "God of our Fathers." Fathers was changed to "ages" by the 1982 hymnal revision committee to reduce, where possible, masculine pronouns and images. (Carlton Young)

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