



WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF WORSHIP
OCTOBER 29, 2023 AT EIGHT FORTY-FIVE
REFORMATION SUNDAY

GATHERING

Voluntary: Adagio in A Minor J. S. Bach

Welcome..... Will McLeane

Please take a moment to let us know you are here today by either filling out the attendance form in the pew or by visiting westendumc.org/attendance.

If you are a first-time guest with us today, please share a way to connect so that we can share more information about West End UMC with you!

Introit: Hide Me under the Shadow of Thy Wings John E. West

Hide me under the shadow of thy wings, O Lord,
and give thine angels charge concerning me:
That I may lie down in peace, and take my rest,
for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me to dwell in safety.

† Processional Hymn No. 110: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God Ein Feste Burg

† Call to Worship Shannon Baxter

Liturgist: Lord, refresh our hearts in Christ!

People: Let us be encouraged through worship on this very day.

Liturgist: Allow us to come together faithfully as one body, rejoicing and praising God who loves us unconditionally.

People: We gather to be reminded of this invitation of love.

All: With hearts of humility, let us worship!

† Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**Loving God,
we confess that we have neglected your will to live in community
with your creation.**

**Forgive us for the ways we have failed to offer abundant grace to
our neighbors.**

Forgive us for the ways we have denied the restoration of harmony.

**Forgive us for the times we have forgotten your holy invitation of
reconciliation.**

God of love, have mercy on us.

**By your Spirit and healing hand, mend our brokenness and create
in us a new love for holy friendship.**

† 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 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 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 New Testament Philemon 1:1-25

Response to the Lesson

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Moment

Sermon: On the Basis of Love Will McLeane

† Affirmation of Faith, No. 883 Tammy Lewis Wilborn

**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 and Concerns of the Church

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: O How Amiable..... Ralph Vaughan Williams

O how amiable are thy dwellings
thou Lord of hosts!
My soul hath a desire and longing
to enter into the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house,
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:
even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God
blessed are they that dwell in thy house;
they will be always praising thee.

The glorious majesty of the Lord
our God be upon us;
prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.
Prosper thou our handywork.

O God, our help in ages past
our hope for years to come
our shelter from the stormy blast
and our eternal home.
(from *Psalm 84 & 90*)

† 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, Ed, Bill and Elizabeth, Connie and Kenny, and Thornton 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.

† Recessional Hymn No. 452: My Faith Looks Up to Thee Olivet

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Together Met, Together Bound Land of Rest
**Together met, together bound
we go our different ways,
and as his people in the world
we'll live and speak his praise.**

Voluntary: Fantasia on *Ein Feste Burg* John Knowles Paine

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

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

* *TFWS—The Faith We Sing (Pew Edition)*

ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ann Hardeman Fort, Combs Lawson Fort, and Combs Lawson Fort, Jr. by Linda and Hal Moses.

Today's liturgy was written by Pastoral Fellow Molly Borneman.

Music Participants

The Sanctuary Choir

Andrew Risinger: Director / Organist

Matthew Phelps: Assisting at Organ

Today's Music

Luther's famous, stirring hymn titled "A Hymn of Comfort" may have been written as a response to a number of circumstances, including the reoccurrence of the plague in Wittenberg and the martyrdom-death of a friend. It has been translated into 53 languages, with at least 100 English versions, and appears in most hymnals, including Roman Catholic ones. The hymn's central theme expressed in battle language, 'God in Christ is our only protection from the worldly forces of evil,' continues to strengthen believers' faith and resolve. It is one of the first hymns to 'Christianize' Hebrew psalms. In this instance, it is *Psalm 46*. As is the tradition of identifying chorale tunes, the tune name is from the first line of the German text, "Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott."

Bulletin Cover Art

"Paul the Apostle," a detail from a mosaic in the Basilica of San Vitale, in Ravenna, Italy.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, October 29

8:45 a	Children's Church	Scales Chapel
8:45 a	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:45 a	Sunday School	
9:45 a	Grigg Small Group - BTTY	LL 2
11:00 a	Children's Church	Scales Chapel
11:00 a	Worship Service	Sanctuary
4:00 p	Vocal Arts Nashville	Sanctuary
5:00 p	Youth Group	Youth Center
6:00 p	Harrell Small Group - BTTY	310

Monday, October 30

10:00 a	Sunny Day Club	McWhirter Hall
5:30 p	Carroll Small Group - BTTY	306

Tuesday, October 31

7:30 a	Morning Bible Study	310
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Wednesday, November 1

5:00 p	Mitchell Small Group - BTTY	305
5:30 p	All Saints Dinner and Luminary	McWhirter Hall
5:30 p	Room in the Inn	LL
6:15 p	Children's Choir Rehearsal	4th Floor
7:30 p	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite

Thursday, November 2

7:00 p	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite
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WEST END STAFF

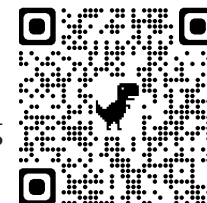
Rev. Dr. Carol Cavin-Dillon..... Senior Pastor
Rev. Will McLeane Pastor of Spiritual Formation
Rev. Maggie Jarrell.....Pastor of Children & Families
Rev. Stacey Harwell-Dye.....
 Pastor of Mercy and Justice Ministries
Rev. Shannon Baxter
 Pastor of Congregational Connection
Rev. Aimee Baxter..... Pastor of Young Adults
Molly Borneman.....Pastoral Fellow
Dr. Tammy Lewis Wilborn... Congregational Care Intern
Matthew Phelps..... Minister of Music
Andrew Risinger..... Associate Minister of Music
Nico Zavala..... Music Intern
Emily C. Robbins..... Minister of Youth
Melanie Paulson Director, HR & Operations
Shelley Kuhlmeier..... Communications Director

Lazaro Kapella..... Church Financial Officer
Jim Raver Property Operations Manager
Corye NelsonPreschool Executive Director
Christina ShoptawPreschool Operations Manager
Cheryl ReevesPreschool Curriculum Coordinator
Karina GurgenzidzeChildcare Coordinator
Cindy Siemer..... Senior Administrative Assistant
Julie Catterton..... Assistant to Senior Pastor
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Tosha Jackson.....Receptionist
Devon Bardo.....Receptionist
Chase Bencin.....Media Coordinator
Cin Tuang.....Media Assistant
Open.....Building Engineer
Richard ThomasCustodian

A WARM WELCOME TO WEST END

Welcome to West End United Methodist Church! 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!

Scan this QR Code or visit westendumc.org/links to register your attendance with us, find out more about our Sunday Morning Classes, sign up for our weekly email, and learn more about the different ways to give at West End.



PRAYER REQUESTS AND CONCERNS

♦ **Prayer Requests:** Gina Dixon, Dean and Karen McIntyre, John and Emily Townes, Dave Mennen, Adrienne Ames

If you have an emergency and need to contact one of the Pastors after hours, please call 615.321.8500, Ext. 8853. The Pastor on Call for October 30-November 4 will be Rev. Maggie Jarrell.

To submit a prayer request, Visit westendumc.org/prayerrequest.

OCTOBER'S COMMUNION OFFERING

October's communion offering will go to our prison ministry. This money funds holiday meals, gift packages, and other needs within Riverbend as well as asks of returning citizens.

OVERNIGHT HOSTS AND BUS DRIVERS NEEDED

Room in the Inn is starting back this fall and we have a lot of Wednesdays that will need overnight hosts and bus drivers. If you are interested in spending the night at the church and providing hospitality to our guests experiencing homelessness, contact Pastor Stacey at sharwelldye@westendumc.org. Bus drivers are also needed. To drive our minibus, you need to be over 25, have a valid driver's license (no CDL required), and submit to a background check and short training that will include a driving portion to get you comfortable with the bus. We literally can't do it without these two vital roles.

ALL SAINTS INTERACTIVE WORSHIP

On Wednesday, November 1 from 5:30-7 p.m., join us for our monthly Wednesday night dinner and a discipleship experience that will be led by Vanderbilt Wesley Foundation students. During dinner, everyone will be invited to create remembrance luminaries for the faithful departed in your life. After dinner, we'll engage in All Saints teaching and worship that will move from McWhirter Hall to the Cloister Garden where the luminaries will be lit in honor of our collective saints. Register for dinner and class at westendumc.org/allsaints.

'CHAT AND CHEW' COLLEGE AND GRAD STUDENTS LUNCH

Join Pastor Aimee after the 11 a.m. service for free lunch at a nearby restaurant. Meet in the back of the sanctuary to find out where we're going. All undergraduate and graduate students are invited to attend! Contact Pastor Aimee with questions at abaxter@westendumc.org.

REGIONAL MISSION TRIP

We are going to the UMCOR Sager Brown depot in Baldwin, Louisiana April 13-20! We'd love for you to come with us as we serve the community and bring down our hygiene kits, cleaning kits, and menstruation kits we've made this year. We'll assist at the depot, do projects around town, and learn about our connectional response to disasters around the globe through the good work of UMCOR. We will have a free day to explore New Orleans as well. Register here at westendumc.org/sagerbrown.

SUNNY DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have had new members join Sunny Day recently, and now we need more volunteers to help care for our members! The Sunny Day Club provides social interaction, stimulation and friendship in a caring, safe environment for those experiencing early stages of memory loss, as well as provide a know block of respite time for the caregivers. To find out more or volunteer, contact Shannon Baxter at sbaxter@westendumc.org.

YOUR 2024 ESTIMATE OF GIVING

Our church depends on the financial support of its members to carry out the ministries and programs that allow West End United Methodist Church to be the loving light of Christ, connecting, transforming. Each and every gift to our church is appreciated. Help our church plan for the coming year by turning in an Estimate of Giving card by November 12, and when you do, please prayerfully consider increasing your investment in our church. Estimate of Giving cards have been mailed to you and will be available in the pew racks next Sunday. You can also make your Estimate of Giving online at westendumc.org/estimatenow. Thank you for your support and for the many ways you add to our community at West End.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!



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THORNTON MUNCHER



**ELIZABETH AND BILL
SIMMONS**



**ANDREW CALLIS
AND KEVIN WALKO**



**CONNIE AND KENNY
WATSON**



SEULBIN LEE

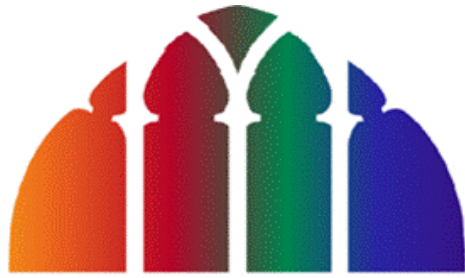


LINDA FINCH



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**NOT PICTURED:
CINDY WALKER
JESS DAVIS**



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