

WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ORDER OF WORSHIP
JULY 7, 2024 AT TEN O'CLOCK
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING

Voluntary: Piano Preludes on Hymn Tunes	erican Spiritual
Welcome	nce form in the s today, please
Introit: Come and Let Us Sweetly JoinOr	lando Gibbons
† Processional Hymn No. 698: God of the Ages	National Hymn
† Call to Worship Leader: God of familiarity, challenge us with newness and discomfor People: Open our lives to your work in us.	t.

Leader: Give us courage to enter the unknown with the good news of your love.

People: Open our hearts to your work in us.

Leader: Grant us wisdom to know when to shake the dust off our feet and walk

away.

People: Open our minds to your work in us.

All: Open our lives. Open our hearts. Open our minds as we worship

you this day.

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession

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 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

A Lesson from the Gospel.......Mark 6:1-13

Response to the Lesson

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Moment

Children's church is located in Scales Chapel, which is down the hall from the sanctuary. If it's your first time, a grown-up should please follow us after the children's moment to drop off. Pick up will at the same location immediately following the service.

Communion Meditation: Disciples and ApostlesCarol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of Faith, No. 883Shannon Baxter

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

Come, my light, my feast, my strength! Such a light as shows a feast, such a feast as mends in length, such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my joy, my love, my heart! Such a joy as none can move, such a love as none can part, such a heart as joyes in love. (George Herbert)

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.

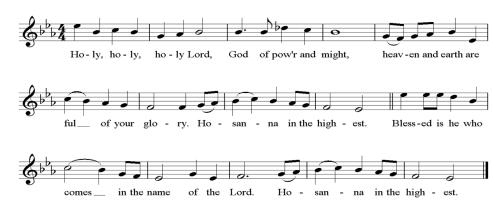
People: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

† Sanctus and Benedictus



Prayer of Remembrance



Prayer of Consecration



The Lord's Prayer

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: 616, 593, and 624.

† 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.

SENDING FORTH

† Benediction



Voluntary: Carillon Louis Vierne

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 flowers this Sunday are provided by the Flower Fund. Many thanks to those who have contributed to this fund which is used when there are no individual donors. If you would like to contribute, please designate the Flower Fund on your gift.

A rose on the table celebrates the birth of Simeon Robert Cacal who was born June 19th to Henri Cacal and Heather Wikowsky.

Today's Call to Worship was written by Reverend Aimee Baxter.

Music Participants

The Summer Choir Andrew Risinger: Director / Organist Matt Phelps: Assisting at Organ Dean McIntyre: Piano

Today's Music

Many American hymns extol the beauty and worth of the United States first, and treat God almost as an afterthought, which makes it difficult for some Christians to be comfortable singing them in the context of a worship service. "God of the Ages" puts God first and is constantly addressed to God as a prayer for the nation, without reference to American superiority. The second and third stanzas allude to a nation's need for God's help to maintain peace.

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Bulletin Cover Art

"Jesus Sends Out the Twelve," a painting by Jesus Mafa, the Christian community in Cameroon that, several decades ago, began to act out the New Testament scenes as a way of spreading and remembering the gospel stories. At some point, they decided to preserve those actings in paintings, and this one was created in the 1970s. In recent years, we have used Jesus Mafa paintings on our bulletins from time to time as they relate to the scripture for the day.

Description: In this image, Jesus is depicted with dark skin, as are his disciples, and is shown sending those disciples into the world. The far background depicts desert mountains, while the interior of the painting shows fields with animals and plants. The foreground shows a small village with scattered houses and trees through which the disciples move individually or in pairs.

WEST END STAFF

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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:** Family of Dr. Paul Stumb; Sunny Day Club participants who are sick; Kathy Osten; Gina Dixon; individuals in the hospital having procedures, recovering from illness, those in treatment, and the families that are caring for them; those mourning the loss of a loved one; peace in Palestine/Israel, Haiti, Sudan, and Ukraine

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 July 8-14 will be Rev. Will McLeane. To submit a prayer request, visit *westendumc.org/prayerrequest*.

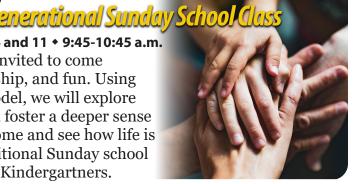
JULY'S COMMUNION OFFERING :: PRISON MINISTRIES

Money from our communion offering this month will go to support our prison ministries through holiday meals, commissary for those inside, holiday gifts, and needs of those re-entering society after incarceration.



July 14, 21 and 28 • 9-9:55 a.m. // August 4 and 11 • 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Children, youth, and all adults are invited to come together for a space of learning, fellowship, and fun. Using an intergenerational Sunday school model, we will explore stories of our faith, play and laugh, and foster a deeper sense of belonging within our community. Come and see how life is better together! Nursery care and traditional Sunday school are provided for infants through rising Kindergartners.





WEUMC WALKING GROUP :: JULY 13

Come on a walk with new and old friends! On the second Saturday of each month, we will walk the greenways and trails of Nashville. On July 13, we will head to Percy Warner for a nice, shaded hike! Meet at the Deep Well entrance off Hwy 100 at 9 a.m. Questions, please contact agarlandbreeden@gmail.com.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN:: JULY 14

Come out for a fun summer hangout on the West Lawn following worship at 11 a.m. as we enjoy each other's company! We will also host a Blood Drive from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. you can participate in.



CHRISTMAS IN JULY :: JULY 21



Come celebrate "Christmas in July" with us to raise money for West End UMC partner Habitat for Humanity! Immediately following worship, the joyful celebration will begin in the Gym at 11 a.m. on July 21. There will be complimentary refreshments, festive games, Christmas caroling, a photo booth with Santa Claus, as well as a donation-based bake sale. All proceeds will go to support the Nashville Chapter of Habitat for Humanity's mission of putting God's love into action to build homes, communities, and hope for all people. Children, young adults, families, and all people are welcome to attend this event. If you are interested in learning

more, volunteering during the event, or donating a baked good for the bake sale, please contact Thornton Muncher at tmuncher@westendumc.org for more info.

ONE-DAY MEMBERSHIP CLASS:: JULY 21

Anyone that has been interested in becoming a member of the church or would like to brush up on what all is going on in the life of the church is welcome to attend! We'll meet in McWhirter Hall following the worship service for about an hour and a half. Lunch will be provided for all that register at westendumc.org/membership.

SUMMER TAIZÉ SERVICE :: JULY 21

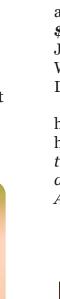
Sanctuary • July 21 • 5-6 p.m. - Join us for a contemplative service rooted in the music of the Taizé community of France. Our worship service will include a space for healing prayer. Experience with contemplative worship or the music of Taizé is not required to fully engage in our liturgy. All are welcome!

SUMMER FINALE - BIG BAND COOKOUT :: JULY 28

Come hear some great music and eat some great cookout style food! It will be a great way to celebrate our summer together and prepare for more ministry in the fall!

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Join us on Tuesday, July 23 as we gather to cheer on our local minor league baseball team, the Nashville Sounds! The game starts at 6:35 p.m. and will take place at the Sounds' stadium. Tickets are \$15/person and are available at westendumc.org/baseball.





READ with Project Transformation

West End is partnering with Project Transformation TN for its 13th summer. There are a few spots left to read with kids for our assigned week July 8-11. To sign up, visit westendumc.org/pt.

REGISTER NOW FOR CHILDREN'S CHOIRS AND YOUTH MUSIC

It might be summertime, but it's not too early to register for Children's Choir and Youth Bells and Ensemble! We are looking forward to the next season of bells and choirs and would love to have your child our youth join us! Visit westendumc.org/ childrenschoirs or westendumc.org/youthmusic to find out more!

WEST END LUNCH FORUM

The West End Lunch Forum, a time when any of our church members meet with our Senior Pastor for food, fellowship and conversation, meets the first Tuesday each month at Swett's Cafeteria on 28th Avenue. To let us know you are coming and receive reminders prior to each lunch date, rsvp at westendumc.org/swettslunchforum.

RIP MEDICAL DEBT

Our church eliminated eight million dollars of medical debt across Tennessee!

We want to say thank you to everyone who was able to participate in our Lenten campaign with Undue Medical Debt! Your generosity resulted in \$80,603 raised and last week we received the wonderful news that money was used to *eliminate* \$8,092,241.73 of medical debt for 6,988 people across our state, from Johnson County at the northeastern tip of Tennessee to Shelby County in the west. We eliminated medical debt for people in 56 different counties (30% of them live in Davidson County).

We also received a letter from a woman who had accumulated medical debt due to her daughter's serious health problems. She learned our church's campaign had erased her debt and wrote to us, "Thank you from the bottom of my heart. It means more than you could ever realize especially in the position we are in currently with constant doctor visits and long travels to specialists. Thank you for what you do. God Bless You All" Well done, West End!



SECOND ANNUAL ALL CHURCH FALL RETREAT

We are excited for our second annual Church Wide Fall Retreat, Friday to Sunday, September 27 - 29. All ages are invited to join the state of the Friday to Sunday, September 27 - 29. All ages are invited to join Beersheba, Tennessee. Don't miss this intergenerational time of study, fellowship and fun. Visit westendumc.org/fallretreat to find out more and register.



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