

COME TO
ME...
AND I WILL
GIVE YOU
REST



WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF WORSHIP
AUGUST 11, 2024 AT EIGHT FORTY-FIVE
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING

Voluntary: In Summer.....Charles Albert Stebbins

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 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: Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now17th c. German

† Processional Hymn No. 92: For the Beauty of the Earth..... Dix

† Call to Worship Will McLeane

Liturgist: God of all creation, you made the stars we seek to visit and the earth we till and live on.

People: We gather together to celebrate your abundant, creative work!

Liturgist: You also set the example of restorative rest after your labors.

People: We gather together today to enter that time of rest.

All: We turn our hearts to you to be recreated as we give you thanks for your work in our lives.

† Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Dear Lord,
we remember the powerful image of your creation of all things,
yet too often we forget your example of rest after that work.
We toil after possessions, security, renown, and happiness, working
ourselves into a frenzy over every out-of-reach desire.
We forget that the path to all good things begins with being still and
remembering you.
Forgive us for our upside-down priorities, and guide us to a place where
our strivings are rooted in our love for you.

† 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 IlluminationJeff Fisher

**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.....Genesis 1:26-2:3

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.

Sermon: Rest by Design.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of FaithAimee 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 live with respect in Creation,
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

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.

ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

Offertory: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Hugo Distler
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
Join the full throng; wake, harp and psalter and song; awake!
Sound forth in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Who as on wings of an eagle, uplifteth, sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen how thy desires all have been
granted in what he ordaineth?
- Joachim Neander (Tr. Catherine Winkworth)

† 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. *2008: Let All Things Now Living The Ash Grove

† Benediction

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

Voluntary: Festival Voluntary Flor Peeters
*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.*

* *The Faith We Sing, pew edition*

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Brant Phillips
in honor of his wonderful father, Wade Phillips, and in loving memory
of his one-of-a-kind mother, DiAnne Phillips.*

*A rose on the table celebrates the birth of Robert Alexander Chan
who was born August 4th to Jennie Stumpf Chan and Alex Chan.
He is welcomed also by his grandparents, Jane and Sam Stumpf.*

*A rose on the table celebrates the birth of Otilie Harper Roussell
who was born on yesterday, August 6th to Katherine and Steven Roussell.
She is welcomed by her sisters Riley, Bailey, Mercy, and Laelia and her brother MJ,
as well as by her grandparents, Aleta and Byron Trauger.*

*Thomas Brownlee White, son of Alexandra and Lee White,
will be presented for baptism at the eleven o'clock service.*

Today's liturgy was written by Rev. Shannon Baxter.

Music Participants

The Sanctuary Choir

Andrew Risinger: Director / Organist

Matthew Phelps: Assisting at Organ

Today's Music

The Ash Grove, the tune for our processional hymn, was a harp tune made popular outside of Wales in the 17th-19th centuries. Harp tunes were of Welsh origin and some of them were published with variations in the fashion of the time. The earlier Welsh harpists played the "triple harp," a form of the instrument in which there were three rows of strings, the outer rows tuned in unison, and the inner row giving the semitones to make a full chromatic scale possible.

"O God You Made the Sabbath Day," words by Carolyn Gillette.
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Bulletin Cover Art

Today's bulletin cover shows a still lake with light reflections of the sunset in purple and pink. In the background, we see hills and knobs along the lake shore. In the foreground, we see an empty, wooden dock extending over the water inviting us into its serenity. Overlaying this image are the words: *Come to me...and I will give you rest.*

AUGUST 18 Promotion Sunday and Blessing of the Backpacks!

Join us August 18 for Promotion Sunday and Blessing of the Backpacks! Promotion Sunday is the day when all of our Sunday School children, 3 year olds through 6th grade, will promote to the next grade or class. The fun begins at 9:45 AM in McWhirter Hall. We will have a celebration for parents and kids, and then kids will go to their new classrooms while parents will stay for a parent meeting and fellowship time.

Each year in Sunday school, kids will have an opportunity to make new friends, learn about and experience Jesus' love, and hear Bible stories that help us love God and one another in our world today.

Also, as part of our preparations for the new school year, we will be having a Blessing of the Backpacks in 8:45 and 11:00 worship. This will be an opportunity for us to pray for kids and school staff as they go back to school. Students will be invited to bring their backpacks with them and come forward during the service.

For more information about Promotion Sunday or Sunday School, contact Maggie Jarrell at mjarrell@westendumc.org.



WEST END FAMILY MEET UP // AUGUST 18

Families of all ages and shapes and sizes are welcome to join us at our West End Family Meet Ups this fall for fun and fellowship! Our next Meet Up will be August 18 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. with Popsicles on the West End UMC Playground!



Youth Fall Kick-Off: 2024 EGGSTRAVAGANZA

Sunday, August 18 ♦ 4:45-7 p.m.

Who will be our 2024 Champs??

All YOUTH AND parents are invited to join us Sunday, August 18 at 4:45 p.m! It will be a night full of fun, fellowship, food, and messy egg competitions! Bring \$5 for dinner. Make sure to wear clothing that can get messy & wet and bring a towel for your ride home!! See you there, and bring a friend!

YOUTH MINISTRY FALL SCHEDULE

Youth Council Meeting ♦ Sunday, August 11 at noon. Open to ALL YOUTH.

Youth Parent Meeting ♦ Sunday, August 18 at 9:45 am in 4th Story Theater

Youth Small Groups ♦ begin on Sunday, August 25th from 5:00-7:00 pm

Youth Fall Retreat ♦ November 1-3, watch for registration info

Parking Lot Fundraisers for 2025 Service Trip ♦ August 31, September 7, October 5, 19, 26, November 9 and 30

REGISTER NOW FOR YOUTH MUSIC

We have two unique opportunities for our Youth to participate in music: Youth Bells and Vocal Ensemble! We are looking forward to the next season of bells and choirs and would love to have your child or youth join us! Register at westendumc.org/youthmusic.

SUMMER SCHEDULE AND CHRISTMAS EVE SURVEY

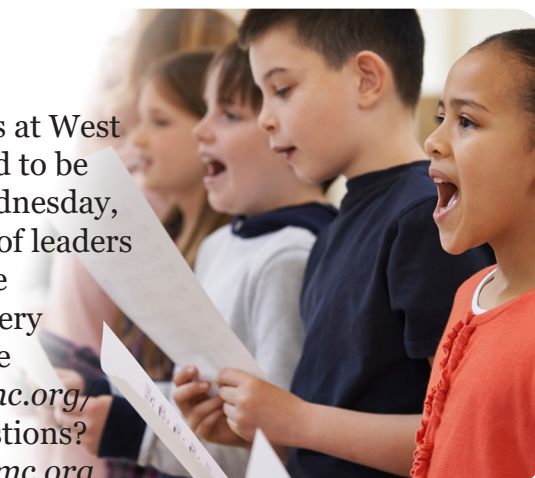
Our Summer Schedule has ended and we are back to our regularly scheduled programming. We hope you enjoyed the change of pace this summer and were able to participate in a few of our fellowship times that took place after worship. Please take a moment and complete the survey found at westendumc.org/survey to help us as we plan for next summer and Christmas Eve at West End UMC.

AUGUST'S COMMUNION OFFERING :: HG HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL

This month we are raising money for our partnership with H.G. Hill Middle School. We are a United4Hope school, meaning that we support the work of HG Hill Middle in four areas: parent/family support, teacher support, student support, and in-kind donations. This money has gone the past two years for a teacher appreciation luncheon.

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS BEGIN AUGUST 21

Get ready to make music on Wednesday nights at West End. Children ages 3 through 6th grade are invited to be part of Children's Choirs, 6:15-7:00 p.m. each Wednesday, beginning August 21. We have a wonderful group of leaders who are not only fine musicians, but also know the importance of helping your child grow in faith. Every child's voice is a gift, and we want to help everyone develop their unique instrument. Visit westendumc.org/childrenschoir to find out more and register. Questions? Contact Andrew Risinger at arisinger@westendumc.org



PRAYER REQUESTS AND CONCERNS

♦ **Prayer Requests:** Kids and parents as school starts up; Kathy Osten; family of 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; peace and unity in the lead up to our national elections.

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 August 12-18 will be Rev. Shannon Baxter. To submit a prayer request, visit westendumc.org/prayerrequest.

CHAT & CHEW RESUMES AUGUST 25

All local Nashville college and grad students are invited to attend lunch at a local restaurant (West End’s treat!) every Sunday after the 11:00 service beginning August 25. Contact Rev. Aimee Baxter at abaxter@westendumc.org to find out more.



OLDER ELEMENTARY FELLOWSHIP KICKOFF // AUGUST 25

All 4th, 5th and 6th graders are invited to join us for older elementary fellowship (OEF) this year! We meet monthly during the school year for different fun activities and service projects. Kids AND parents are invited to join us for the kickoff from 5-7 pm in McWhirter Hall. The plan will be to have a snack supper followed by some games and some planning of our other activities for the rest of the year. If you plan to join us, please RSVP by Friday, August 23 at westendumc.org/oefkickoff.

WEST END LUNCH FORUM

A time when any of our church members meet with our Senior Pastor for food, fellowship and conversation, the West End Lunch Forum meets the first Tuesday of each month at Swett’s Cafeteria on 28th Avenue. To receive reminders prior to each lunch date, rsvp at westendumc.org/swettlunchforum.

HOMEBOUND VISITATION TEAM

We are currently recruiting a new team that will support our outreach to members of West End UMC that are often unable to leave their homes. Our goal is to ensure that even if someone is unable to make it to the church for events or worship services, that they still feel connected to their West End family. If you are interested in being a connecting point for these very important members of our church, reach out to Rev. Shannon Baxter at sbaxter@westendumc.org. It takes a village to care for the village!

REVENUES/EXPENSES // 2024 GENERAL FUND // JUNE 2024

	YTD Actual*	YTD Budget	Difference	2024 Budget
Revenues				
Pledged Giving (*YTD includes \$272,300 rec'd in 2023)	\$1,206,515	\$1,251,578	(\$45,063)	\$2,149,855
Non-Pledged Giving and Other Offerings	285,216	\$278,779	6,436	\$700,351
Grants, Fees, Interest, Miscellaneous	43,094	\$15,659	27,436	\$90,597
Total Revenues	\$1,534,825	\$1,546,016	(\$11,191)	\$2,940,803
Not included: 2024 General Fund pmts rec'd in 2023	3,300			
Expenses				
Ministry Table	\$48,844	\$68,334	\$19,490	\$132,608
Outreach	91,397	\$98,025	6,628	\$115,550
Conference Apportionments	122,901	\$122,901	0	\$245,802
Administrative/Operating	50,749	\$77,180	26,431	\$128,260
Staff/Parish	752,835	\$815,166	62,330	\$1,698,554
Utilities/Property	320,789	\$325,131	4,342	\$650,263
Total Expenses	\$1,387,515	\$1,506,737	\$119,222	\$2,971,037
Change in Net Assets	\$147,309	\$39,279	\$108,030	(\$30,234)

FIRST WEDNESDAY: SEPTEMBER 4: “THE STATE OF NASHVILLE”

Join us on the first Wednesday of each month this fall for a time of shared fellowship around the table and learning from local authors and ministry leaders. We will kick off on September 4 with the “State of Nashville” report led by Adam Buzard of the Operation Andrew Group.

Operation Andrew Group seeks to unite the Body of Christ and partner with the local church to love God and our neighbors. In 2022 & 2023, Operation Andrew Group partnered with the Barna Group and Charis Foundation to find the answer to the question, “How is Nashville?” by listening to Nashville residents through a demographically representative study.

Dinner starts at 5:15 p.m. in McWhirter Hall, and programming begins at 6 p.m. Register at westendumc.org/firstwednesday.



Porch sits, fireside conversations, board game marathons, and intentional spaces for reflection, holy conversation, and worship await you at our WEUMC Fall Retreat! We cannot wait to gather again atop the plateau as together we rejoice in the wonder of God’s creation.

Friday to Sunday, September 27-29
Beersheba Springs Assembly
 Register now at westendumc.org/fallretreat24

A Warm Welcome

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.

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.



We believe that God loves everyone unconditionally!

West End Staff

Members of West End UMC Ministers

Rev. Dr. Carol Cavin-Dillon.....*Senior Pastor*
Rev. Will McLeane*Spiritual Formation*
Rev. Maggie Jarrell..... *Children and Families*
Rev. Stacey Harwell-Dye..... *Mercy and Justice*
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