

WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ORDER OF WORSHIP
OCTOBER 6, 2024 AT EIGHT FORTY-FIVE
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING

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: Here, O My Lord, I See TheeBenedictine Plainsong † Processional Hymn No. 660: God is HereAbbot's Leigh Creator! We are the beloved people of God!

May we recall the love of God that formed us, connecting us all in a People: Liturgist: divine reflection of the beauty of creation. Lord, help us remember that we are connected to our People: neighbors, and we are bound together in your steadfast, never-ending love. † 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 **People:** In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen. All: † 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.

And also with you.

People:

† An Act of Praise **Antiphon**



PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

A Lesson from the Old Testament......Genesis 2:4-7, 18-22

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: Common GroundStacey Harwell-Dye

† Affirmation of Faith Will McLeane

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

May we also see, along with the blessed, the glory of your face, O Christ. And let there be immeasurable joy both now and for evermore. Amen. (Translated from Latin)

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!

† Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

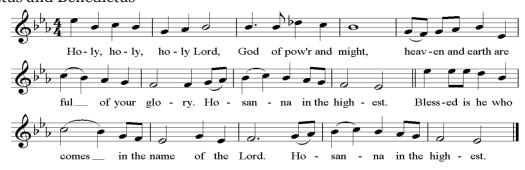
People: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

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

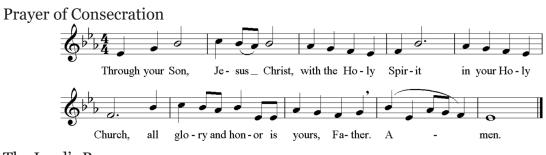
† Prayer of Praise and Thanksgiving

† Sanctus and Benedictus



Prayer of Remembrance





The Lord's Prayer

Please feel free to recite the Lord's Prayer in your first language or the language of your heart.

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: 618, 678, and 557

† 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

- † Recessional Hymn: Canticle of the Turning...... Star of County Down See next page
- † Benediction

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



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.

Today's Call to Worship was written by Pastoral Intern Rea Green.

Today's Communion

Our communion set of five chalices and patens was created and gifted to the church by artist and WEUMC member Tom Turnbull. Tom has an abiding passion for the holy mystery of the sacrament. Specifically, he finds inspiration in how communion connects from generation to generation to the meals Jesus shared with his disciples. Through the Holy Spirit, we are connected by a chain of love that cannot be broken because of the power and person of the resurrected Christ.

Music Participants

The Sanctuary Choir Andrew Risinger: Director / Organist Matthew Phelps: Assisting at the Organ

Today's Music

The music for today's service reflects the many cultures of our world Christian community. "God is Here," is an English tune. James Biery, who wrote "Ubi Caritas," is an American composer. Our communion hymns represent African American, Chinese, and Dutch cultures, respectively. "Canticle of the Turning" is in the style of an Irish Folk Song. Jacques Aubert, a French composer, wrote the final voluntary.

The service music printed in the order of worship is by Sally Ahner ©1983. Used with permission.

Canticle of the Turning, copyright, GIA 1990. Reprinted with permission, onelicense.net #718007

Bulletin Cover Art

"World Communion" was originally drawn in oil pastels by Dorothea B. Kennedy, and then translated to fabric as a banner by Gloiela Yau Dolak for World Communion Sunday on October 5, 1997. Designed to look like strips and blocks of color, the painting uses wavy lines to show the movement of the hills and mountains in the background in shades of blue, purple, red, and black. In the far background, we see the night sky with a crescent moon and clouds to the right. In front of the clouds, we see the sun in radiant yellow, orange, and red. The foreground illustrates two lives of people coming from different direction but moving toward the same point - an altar. On the left of the image are two trees, while a large tree can be seen on the right. In the nearest foreground, we see two paths that also lead to the altar. There is an animal walking the right path toward the altar.



Please make sure that any animals you bring are on a leash or in a cage. Do not bring aggressive pets. You are responsible for your pet while you are on campus, including cleaning up any messes made. West End cannot be held responsible for the behavior of animals, so come at your own risk and help us mitigate the risk of your own pet.

OCTOBER COMMUNION OFFERING // PAWSTER

In honor of the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, our October offering will benefit Pawster Nashville. Pawster Nashville's mission is to end pet homelessness before it begins. When pet owners are in crisis, we house their dog or cat in a loving foster home until the owner is back on their feet. We will also be collecting in-kind donations.

PRAYER REQUESTS AND CONCERNS

• **Prayer Requests:** Those affected by Hurricane Helene and the clean-up efforts; Kathy Osten; Alex and Emily Townes and family; Ed Zinkiewicz; 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 and unity in the lead up to our national elections; 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 Oct. 7-13 will be Rev. Shannon Baxter. To submit a prayer request, visit *westendumc.org/prayerrequest*.

CHAT & CHEW LUNCH

All local Nashville undergrad and grad students are invited to attend lunch at a local restaurant (West End's treat!) every Sunday after the 11 o'clock service throughout the Fall semester. Contact Rev. Aimee Baxter at abaxter@westendumc.org to find out more.



LGBTQIA+ GATHERING // OCTOBER 11

Our next LGBTQIA+ community gathering will again be at Fletcher Foster's home, thanks to his generosity, on October 11 (National Coming Out Day!) beginning at 6 pm. You can RSVP for the event through Realm or by emailing Andrew Callis at *acallis@westendumc.org*. We will discuss upcoming book studies, small groups, and other activities for members of the LGBTQIA+ community. So, make sure you join us to learn about the exciting plans we have for the near future!

RUSTIN // OCTOBER 18

Meet Bayard Rustin, angelic troublemaker of the civil rights movement. Join us on Friday, October 18 at 7 pm for a screening of the 2023 Netflix film Rustin in the 4th Story Theater. Centered around his monumental achievement in organizing the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, the film takes a soulful look at the man who was pushed to the margins but never allowed his light to be dimmed by anyone. Donations at the door and for concessions will go toward funding the next Pilgrimage to Montgomery. Childcare provided.

ANNUAL TOWN HALL MEETING // OCTOBER 20

Join us for this year's annual Town Hall meeting on Sunday, October 20 at 9:45 am in the 4th Story Theater or online. Presenters from various ministry teams will share updates, and we'll celebrate the many ways God has been at work in and through West End in 2024. We'll share financial updates and budget plans for 2025, as well as reports from worship, Sunday School, small groups, and ministry teams. Time to celebrate 2024 and look ahead to 2025!

GUATEMALA INTEREST SESSION // OCTOBER 20

We are going back to Guatemala in March 2025! This time we will have multiple options for our trips. Come to an interest session in McWhirter Hall on Sunday, October 20 immediately following the 11 am service to learn more. If you have initial questions, please don't hesitate to email Rev. Stacey at *sharwelldye@westendumc.org*.

TRUNK OR TREAT // OCTOBER 27

Sunday, October 27 from 3 to 5 pm in the church's lower parking lot, West End Preschool will host their annual Trunk or Treat and everyone in the church is invited,

too! There will be trunk-or-treating as well as inflatables for playing. If you'd like to participate by your time, your talents, or simply your Halloween spirit, we would LOVE to have your help. Please email Jane Wiegand at jane.g.wiegand@gmail.com. We are in need of volunteers to host the bounce house, and we are seeking bottled water, candy, and non-candy donations for trunk-or-treating.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 + 3 TO 5 P.M.

WAYS TO HELP

Three UMC institutions you can support to directly help following the Hurricane Helene disaster.



In the wake of Hurricane Helene, let's give generously to our neighbors experiencing the worst devastation and destruction that many of these areas have seen in many years. Money is always the best way to support people in the aftermath of a hurricane. In the coming weeks, we will have details on collections to replenish the cleaning kits (formerly called flood buckets) that will be needed, but for now money is the best donation.

Here are three United Methodist institutions to which you can give. Find donation

links at westendumc.org/helene.

• UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) - This is our disaster response arm and where the money goes far, particularly in long term recovery efforts. US Disaster Response funds will be used to mitigate disasters in the United States.

• Western North Carolina Annual Conference - This annual conference is one of the hardest hit in our connection. For those of you with direct connections to that

area, this is a way to directly donate to them.

• South Georgia Methodist Children's Home - This incredible institution houses vulnerable children. The kids and the staff are safe, but their Valdosta campus incurred a lot of damage. Their insurance deductible and associated costs with moving kids temporarily is \$25,000, and they are raising this money to help.



Cleaning Buckets

Church-wide collection to help disaster victims

In response to the destruction of Hurricane Helene, cleaning kits (formerly known as flood buckets) from the UMC Warehouse will be distributed to areas hardest hit. We want to make sure that we keep the United Methodist disaster supply warehouse (Sager Brown) equipped to send cleaning kits for the next storm. We will be collecting items from the Amazon wish list at westendumc.org/cleaningkits, and on November 10 our children's ministries will be assembling these kits during their Sunday School (parents invited!). Our churchwide goal is 100 cleaning kits.



INTERESTED IN MERCY AND JUSTICE WORK?

If you are interested in the work of Mercy and Justice at West End, please email Rev. Stacey Harwell-Dye at *sharwelldye@westendumc.org* and she will share with you ways to get involved, including the possibility of joining our Mercy and Justice ministry team.

IT'S TIME FOR HABITAT

It's that time of year again - time for our Habitat for Humanity Fall Build. We will join other Methodists on Saturdays, October 19 and 26 from 7:30 am - 3:30 pm. You can sign up online at *westendumc.org/habitat*. There's something to do for everybody over the age of 16 at all skill levels. Help make the housing dream of one of our Nashville neighbors come true this fall!





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

MEILIBELS OF MEST FIRE OME	
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
Rev. Shannon Baxter	Congregational Connection
Rev. Aimee Baxter	Young Adults
	Minister of Youth
Dr. Matthew Phelps	Minister of Music
Andrew Risinger	Associate Minister of Music
Dr. Tammy Lewis Wilborn	Congregational Care Intern
Rea Green	Pastoral Intern
	Youth Ministry Intern
Nico Zavala	Music Intern
Melanie Paulson	. Director of HR and Operations
Shelley Kuhlmeyer	Communications Director

Members of West Fnd UMC

······································	
Lazaro Kapella	Church Financial Officer
	Property Operations Manager
Corye Nelson	Preschool Executive Director
	Preschool Operations Manager
Cheryl Reeves	Preschool Curriculum Coordinator
Karina Gurgenidze	Childcare Coordinator
Cindy Siemer	Senior Administrative Assistant
Julie Catterton	Assistant to Senior Pastor
Andrew Callis	Administrative Assistant
Tosha Jackson	Receptionist
Kathryn Ware	Receptionist
Chase Bencin	Media Coordinator
Ronnie Franklin	Building Superintendent
Richard Thomas	Custodian
Shannon Meffert	HR Generalist

