

WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ORDER OF WORSHIP October 13, 2024 at Eleven O'Clock Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

GATHERING

Voluntary: A	Adante, KV 616	W. A. Mozart		
Welcome				
Introit: Come Ye That Love the Lord				
† Processional Hymn No. 139: Praise to the Lord Lobe den Herren				
† Call to Worship				
† Call to Confession				
† Prayer of Confession Most merciful God, we get lost too often; we follow our own ways and get lost in our heads about what we must do to be "good" Christians. We lose track of the example set by Jesus. Forgive us for our stubbornness and our short attention spans. Help us to love those around us, and guide us as we enter into beloved community. Sustain us as we seek to transform the world.				
† Silent Confession				
† Words of As Liturgist: People:	surance Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we we proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesu forgiven! In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.	s Christ, you are		
All:	Glory to God. Amen.			
Liturgist:	reconciliation and love. The peace of Christ be with you.			
People:	And also with you.			

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. Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law: yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart. Make me to go in the path of thy commandments: for therein is my desire. Incline my heart unto thy testimonies: and not unto covetousness. O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity: and quicken me in thy way. O stablish thy word in thy servant: that I may fear thee. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, and is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. (Psalm 119:33-38) PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE Prayer for IlluminationMargo Jenkins 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. Response to the Lesson Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God. **People:** Thanks be to God. during the final verse of the hymn.

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.

We believe who has c the Word who work We trust in We are call to celebra to love an to proclai In life, in de	alone, we live in God's world in God: reated and is creating, who h made Flesh, to reconcile and is in us and others by the Spir	has come in Jesus, make new, rit. h respect in Creation, e and resist evil, our judge and our hope. ed is with us.
Joys and Conc	erns of the Church	
Salutation Liturgist: T People: A Liturgist: I	The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.	
Prayers of the	People	
Thy kingdo Give us this And forgive as we forg And lead us	, who art in heaven, hallowed m come, thy will be done on o day our daily bread. e us our trespasses, give those who trespass again s not into temptation, but del	earth às it is in heaven. st us.
Ministry Mom	ent: Pawster	Gabe Horton
Holy, Heave Hosan	ctus from <i>Requiem</i> holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. on and earth are full of thy glory. on a in the highest. ditional Mass text, sung in Latin)	W. A. Mozart
H A H H H	Praise God, from whom all blo Praise God, all creatures here Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all o Praise Jesus Christ, whose po Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!	below: ur gifts!

SENDING FORTH

† Recessional Hymn No. 396: O Jesus, I Have PromisedAngel's Story

† Benediction

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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 hymnal

ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

The altar flowers this morning are from the wedding of Sophia Marie Arena & James Luke Macey and are given in memory of their grandparents, Elsie & John Arena, Maria & Alfredo Flores, Janie & John Macey, and Betty & Harry Walton.

A rose on the table celebrates the birth of Lillian Rose Whipple, daughter to Amanda and Matt Whipple, on October 8, 2024. She is also welcomed by her big brother, Jack.

Today's liturgy was written by Youth Ministry Intern Hampton Randall.

Music Participants

Chancel Choir Matthew Phelps: Director Andrew Risinger: Organist

Today's Music

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The last psalm in the Bible, Psalm 150, ends with this invitation: "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord." German composer Joachim Neander gave us words to do just that when he wrote his most well-known hymn, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty." Hymnologist John Julian declares this to be "a magnificent hymn of praise to God, perhaps the finest production of its author, and of the first rank in its class" (Dictionary of Hymnology). And indeed, this is a hymn that has stood the test of time (over 300 years) to remain one of the most beloved praise hymns in the Church. As we sing these words, we join with the voices, in many languages, of millions who have gone before us, and those across the globe, to sing these great words of thanksgiving and honor to the God who created us, protects us, and befriends us.

Bulletin Cover Art

"Christ and the Rich Young Ruler" is by German artist, Heinrich Hofmann (1824-1911). Wearing rust and dark blue robes, a light-skinned Jesus stands central in this image as he directs our attention away from the rich man who stands to his left and toward the two people to his right. The rich man wears robes of green and white with ornate, golden embroidery around the edges and a colorful belt around his waist. He also wears a hat with fanciful beading around its lower half. The two people on Jesus' left, the objects of Jesus' attention and where he draws the rich man's attention, appear to have very little by comparison with one wearing a dark robe that cover the head with a hood and the other wearing no robes above his waist and who appears to be weak and vulnerable.

CHAT & CHEW LUNCH // TODAY

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.



YOUTH TRINITY COMMONS // TONIGHT

Youth are heading to Trinity Community Commons tonight, October 13th from 4:45-7 pm. All 7-12th graders come join us or dinner and games with the TCC neighbors who join us! We are taking the bus and some chaperones will take cars. Have a fun game to play? Bring it with you. Contact Emily Robbins at *erobbins@westendumc.org* for more information.

BOOK STUDY: AN ALTAR IN THE WORLD // OCTOBER 15

Barbara Brown Taylor's *An Altar in the World* is a timeless source of timely wisdom for our current moment. On October 15 and 29, and November 13 and 20, West End member Andrew Breeden will lead a small group of the LGTBQ+ community who are interested in reflecting on the book together. The group will meet in Room 306 from 6-7 pm. Please contact Andrew Breeden to share your interest or ask questions at *agarlandbreeden@gmail.com*.

FILM SCREENING - 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 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. Donations at the door and for concessions will go toward funding the next Pilgrimage to Montgomery. Childcare provided.

IT'S TIME FOR HABITAT // OCTOBER 19 AND 26

It's that time of year 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! come true this fall!



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 + 3 TO 5 P.M.

West End Preschool will host their annual Trunk-or-Treat on Sunday, Oct. 27 from 3-5 pm in the church's lower parking lot, and church families are invited, too! In addition to trunk-or-treating, there

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

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, Pawster will 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.



YOUTH FALL RETREAT // NOVEMBER 1-3

Our youth fall retreat is November 1-3 and we are heading back to Camp Widgiwagan. This retreat is for all 7th-12th graders and we can't wait to spend time with you. The cost is \$150 and the deadline to register is Wednesday, October 23rd. Sign up at westendumc.org/youthfallretreat.

BREWED THEOLOGY // NOVEMBER 5

Young Adult Gathering 1st Tuesday of the Month - Brewed Theology will meet Tuesday, November 5 at 6:30 pm at Hi-Fi Clyde's on Church Street for trivia night. All young adults are invited to join us for a laid-back conversation around a particular theological topic each month. For more information, contact Rev. Aimee Baxter at abaxter@westendumc.org.

CARE PACKAGES FOR OUR COLLEGE FRESHMEN

Our youth are putting together cards and care packages for our College Freshmen during Small Groups on Sunday, October 27, and we would love your help!

We would like to send a variety of goodies: Pre-cut and packaged cookies or brownies, water bottles, Halloween-themed cards, beef jerky/protein bars/mints/gum, fun stickers/silly prizes, lip balm, AND \$10 gift cards to Walgreens/CVS or a fast food restaurant. Please email Emily about what you are willing to donate at *erobbins@westendumc.org*. You can bring your items anytime before October 27 to the Youth Cafe labeled for care packages.

If you know a college freshman who would love to receive a care package, please email Emily their name and address.

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.

FAITHFUL GIVING 2025

Help our church thrive and grow in 2025. 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. By turning in your 2025 Estimate of Giving, you help our church staff and leaders plan and budget for the coming year. You can find a estimate card in the pew back, scan the QR code, or visit <code>westendumc.org/estimatenow</code> to turn in your estimate.



PRAYER REQUESTS AND CONCERNS

• **Prayer Requests:** Those affected by Hurricanes Helene and Milton; Barbara Cragg; 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*.





CLEANING KITS SUPPLY DRIVE AND ASSEMBLY OPPORTUNITIES

Hurricane Helene caused unprecedented and massive destruction across a wide and long path throughout the southeast, and was followed by Hurricane Milton which hit the peninsula of Florida this past week. The supplies we've gathered and packed in the past have been sent to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) warehouse in Louisiana and are probably already on the ground for relief efforts. Some churches in the Western North Carolina area are already reporting running out of cleaning kits. Sensing an urgent need to get more kits made we have three different dates for you to be involved in getting necessary supplies together.



Here's how to get involved:

1) Buy supplies from our Amazon Wishlist and have them **shipped to the church.** Please buy these very specific supplies from this list at westendumc.org/cleaningkits and have it shipped to the church at 2200 West End Ave, Nashville TN 37203.

2) Join us on one of these dates for UMCOR Cleaning Kit packing:

Sunday, October 13 // 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Youth Ministry packing event open to youth and youth volunteers only

Saturday, October 19 // 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Churchwide packing party open to anyone in the Church Gym.

Sunday, November 10 // 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Children's ministry packing event open to children and their parents/caregivers during the Sunday School hour

MONETARY DONATIONS

Money is one of the best ways to help in the aftermath of any disaster. Money can buy what people need in real time on the ground. It can also go to support recovery efforts. Let's give generously to our neighbors experiencing the worst devastation and destruction that many of these areas have seen in many years. Here are three ways to give directly to help relief efforts. Giving links can be found at westendumc.org/helene or by scanning this QR code.

- 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.
- Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference You can support the TWK Response to the Hurricane Helene Disaster by giving to our conference disaster recovery fund. Checks can be made out and mailed to the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference at PO Box 440132, Nashville, TN 37244 (please note Disaster Response in the memo line). These funds will go toward supporting immediate needs in the affected areas and funding our Early Response Teams (ERT), which will be deployed to the area in the weeks ahead.

EARLY RESPONSE TEAM TRAINING

Lastly, people who deploy to help in the immediate aftermath of a disaster are on teams called Early Response Teams in the United Methodist Church. These are skilled folks who have been through a training, have a badge, and will be contacted and told where to go in the event of a disaster near us. Please do not self-deploy to areas in the immediate aftermath of a disaster, but if you have the desire to be on one of these teams, we'd love to get some more folks from West End trained. Early Response Teams need members with a variety of gifts and graces. If you think this is a ministry you would like to be a part of, please check your schedules and register for one of the three upcoming training events in the TWKUMC. Find sign up links at westendumc.org/helene or by scanning the QR code.

Saturday, October 19 at the Purchase District Office

2285 Jack Treas Road, Kirksey, KY 42054. Registration Deadline: October 14.

Saturday, November 16 at MTSU Wesley Foundation

216 College Heights, Murfreesboro, TN 37130. Registration Deadline: November 4.

Saturday, December 14 at Ripley FUMC

145 S. Main Street, Ripley, TN 38063. Registration Deadline: December 2.



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

Senior Pastor
Spiritual Formation
Children and Families
Mercy and Justice
Congregational Connection
Young Adults
Minister of Youth
Minister of Music
Associate Minister of Music
Congregational Care Intern
Pastoral Intern
Youth Ministry Intern
Music Intern
Communications Director

Members of West End UMC

Lazaro Kapella	Church Financial Officer
Jim Raver	Property Operations Manager
Corye Nelson	Preschool Executive Director
Christina Shoptaw	Preschool Operations Manager
Cheryl Reeves	Preschool Curriculum Coordinator
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Cindy Siemer	Senior Administrative Assistant
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