



WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF WORSHIP
OCTOBER 20, 2024 AT EIGHT FORTY-FIVE
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING

Voluntary: In Thee Is Gladness Philip Young
Amazing Grace Sandy Eithun

Welcome..... Aimee Baxter
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: O Let Us Praise Thee..... Richard Farrant

† Processional Hymn No. 103: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise St. Denio

† Call to Worship Rea Green
Liturgist: Be still and feel the presence of God.
People: We set aside our egos to find the reality of God in all things.
Liturgist: Let us worship our Creator with joy and love.
People: By God's grace, we are alive today and so rejoice in being illumined by the Holy Spirit.

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession
**Most gracious God,
forgive us for failing to be constant reflections of your loving heart.
Help us to remember that you are God to friend and foe, and that no one is held above another in Christ's glory.
Give us the courage to let our egos die so that our hearts beat to your rhythm instead of our own.
Tame our angers, fears, frustrations, and griefs.
Soften us, and we will become your tender-hearted people.**

† 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 Robb Bigelow
**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 Gospel..... Mark 10:35-45

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: Side by Side..... Aimee Baxter

† Affirmation of Faith Stacey Harwell-Dye
**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

SENDING FORTH

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.**

Ministry Moment.....Laura Creekmore

Offertory: Greater Love Hath No Man..... John Ireland
Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.
Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this,
that a man lay down his life for his friends.
Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree,
that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.
Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified in the name
of the Lord Jesus. Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood,
a holy nation; that ye should show forth the praises of him who
hath call'd you out of darkness into his marvelous light.
I beseech you brethren, by the mercies of God,
that you present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy,
acceptable unto to God, which is your reasonable service.
(Canticles 8, John 15, I Peter 2, I Corinthians 6, Romans 12)

† 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!**

† Recessional Hymn No. 127: Guide Me, O Thou Great JehovahCwm Rhondda

† 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: God of Grace (Cwm Rhondda)Paul Manz
*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.*

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 liturgy was written by Andrew Callis.

Music Participants

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

Joy Ringers
Matthew Phelps: Director

Today's Music

The original text of "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" was written in Welsh by William Williams, a circuit-riding preacher, in 1745 and given the original title, "A prayer for strength to go through the wilderness of the world." It has since been translated into seventy-five languages. It was translated into English by Peter Williams (no relation) in 1771. Most modern hymnals now use the first verse of Peter's translation, and the last two from William's own translation into English.

Bulletin Cover Art

“James and John Ask Jesus” is unattributed work of art from the Bible Art website. The image is rendered almost entirely in hues of brown, orange, and white. In the deep background, we find the columns and walls, while in the nearest foreground we see the stone floor, of the room Jesus shares with his disciples. Jesus sits to the right and his outstretched hand indicates he is explaining something important to his followers. There are four men standing at the back of the room with another five sitting between those standing and Jesus. All are dressed in similar robes and share concerned, perhaps confused, expressions on their faces as we imagine Jesus has just informed James and John that no one can be held above another in glory to God.

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 collect in-kind donations.

ANNUAL TOWN HALL MEETING // TODAY

Join us for this year’s annual Town Hall meeting after this service 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!

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.

GUATEMALA INTEREST SESSION // TODAY

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 this morning 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.

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.



IT’S TIME FOR HABITAT // OCTOBER 26

It’s that time of year for our Habitat for Humanity Fall Build. We will join other Methodists on Saturday, October 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!

TRUNK OR TREAT // OCTOBER 27

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.

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.

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.

RECYCLING AT WEST END UMC

Thank you to church members who have been recycling plastic bottles and aluminum cans. Additional thanks to the dedicated team of volunteers who pick up the recycling. Please remember to empty bottles and cans before adding them to the recycling bins. Please rinse out anything that is sticky. Also, plastic cups or straws are not recyclable in Nashville at this time.

VILLAGE OF GLENCLIFF VIP OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE

The opportunity to express our faith in compassion to a new resident at the Villages of Glencliff through our ministry of "VIPs" is now available. This person in our church commits to connect with one of the medical recovery residents who was formerly homeless and now lives temporarily in one of the tiny houses there. Kay Gray has detailed information and you would be assured of limits to your involvement with this person.

Please email Kay for details at kgray510@gmail.com.



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 an estimate card in the pew back, scan the QR code, or visit westendumc.org/estimatetnow 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.

A promotional poster for a Mozart Requiem performance. On the left is a white marble bust of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. The background is a light blue gradient with faint musical notes and a treble clef. The title "Mozart Requiem" is written in a large, elegant, dark blue cursive font. Below the title, the performance details are listed in a bold, dark blue sans-serif font: "Sunday October 27, 4 PM", "Chancel Choir, Sanctuary Choir, and Orchestra", and "Matthew Phelps, conductor." The text is arranged in a block on the right side of the poster.

Disaster and Recovery Relief Efforts



CLEANING KITS

Hurricanes Helene and Milton caused unprecedented and massive destruction across the southeast. Sensing an urgent need to get more kits made, we coordinated efforts to collect supplies and assemble buckets.

We are so grateful for all the supplies that were sent this way! In order to get enough for our Saturday bucket packing, we had to purchase some of the items that didn't make it to us. We would love financial donations to offset these costs. To donate, you can write a check to WEUMC and mark it for Disaster Cleaning Bucket Supplies or give online at westendumc.org/give.

MONETARY DONATIONS

Money is one of the best ways to help in the aftermath of any disaster. 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 the QR code.

- ♦ UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief)
- ♦ Western North Carolina Annual Conference
- ♦ Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference

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 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 these upcoming training events in the TWKUMC. Find sign up links at westendumc.org/helene or by scanning the QR code.

Saturday, November 16
MTSU Wesley Foundation
216 College Heights, Murfreesboro, TN
Registration Deadline: Nov 4

Saturday, December 14
Ripley FUMC
145 S. Main Street, Ripley, TN
Registration Deadline: December 2

2024 GENERAL ELECTION Resources and Events

The foundation of our Wesleyan heritage is the fusion of spiritual formation and social witness. We believe spiritual life with God leads us to engage in the political process with a vision and commitment to our neighbor's flourishing. Our staff has put together several resources and events to help you engage in the 2024 General Election. You can find all of this information on westendumc.org/election.

A SPECIAL EVENING WITH JEMAR TISBY & JIM WALLIS // OCT 24 October 24, 2024 • 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

An in-person conversation on how the teachings of Jesus speak directly to the heart of our political, spiritual, and moral crises. This event will take place at Woodmont Hills Church // 3710 Franklin Pike Nashville, TN 37204.

Please register for this event at westendumc.org/conversation.

This event is presented by the Brentwood United Methodist Church Race & Faith Ministry and the Anti-Racism Coalition of the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference of the United Methodist Church.

ELECTION DAY PRAYER // NOVEMBER 5

♦ **Election Day Virtual Prayer Vigil** - Elections can bring on anxieties, feelings of hope or helplessness, and resolve. West End is providing a virtual space for prayer during Election Day for you to "come and find the quiet center." From 7 am to 5 pm, we invite you to join us online for prayer at westendumc.org/livestream. We will pray on the hour for a few minutes in various styles of prayer. Our chat will be open for offering your own prayers or requesting prayer. We are cosponsoring this space with the Tennessee Western Kentucky Conference Church and Society committee so members of our own staff will be joined by members of this committee

♦ **Election Day Open Sanctuary ♦ 5:30-8 pm** - The Sanctuary will be open for individual prayer, silence, and reflection from 5:30 to 8 pm on Tuesday, November 5.

FIRST WEDNESDAY // NOVEMBER 6 A SERVICE OF PRAYER AND HOLY COMMUNION

Following the 2024 General Election, we will gather on Wednesday, November 6 for our next First Wednesday dinner in McWhitter Hall from 5:15 to 6 p.m. We will host a service of guided prayer, Scripture reading, and Holy Communion in the Sanctuary from 6:15 to 7 p.m. Please RSVP at westendumc.org/firstwednesday.

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

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