

# WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP  
September 13, 2020 at Eight Forty-five  
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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## GATHERING

Voluntary: Aria ..... Joseph Jongen

Welcome.....Carol Cavin-Dillon  
*Please take a moment to record your online attendance in the link provided in the comment section. First-time guests and other visitors are encouraged to list your address and telephone number or e-mail address so we may share additional information about our church with you.*

Introit: This is the Day .....Anonymous  
This is the day that the Lord that made; Let us be glad and rejoice! Hallelujah!

† Opening Hymn No. 75: All People That on Earth Do Dwell..... Old 100th

† Call to Worship .....Katie Minnis  
Liturgist: *We hope for answers that only God can provide.*  
People: **Give us wisdom, O Lord.**  
Liturgist: *We seek to be faithful.*  
People: **Give us direction, O Lord.**  
Liturgist: *We look for God's light, and we seek God's guidance.*  
People: **Show us the way, O Lord.**  
Liturgist: *We are searching for how to be and how to act.*  
People: **Lead us, O Lord, as we worship you!**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)  
**God of Grace,**  
**we confess that we do not always recognize our prejudices.**  
**We hurt others through our words and deeds, and we fail to acknowledge their pain.**  
**We insist that all are welcome, but we surround ourselves with those who are most like us.**  
**We resist sharing your love beyond the walls of our comfortable and familiar spaces.**  
**O God, we ask for your forgiveness.**  
**Help us, also, to forgive those who trespass against us.**  
**Grant us your insight, grace, and courage so that we may forgive others as you forgive us.**  
**Transform these words into a living daily prayer and action.**  
**We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

† 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 of 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 (*in unison*).....Bobby Moss  
**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.**

Lesson from the Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Response to the Lesson  
Liturgist: *The Word of God for the people of God.*  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Moment

Sermon: Forgive and Don't Forget .....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of Faith (*in unison*) ..... No. 883  
A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

Joys & Concerns of the Church .....Brandon Baxter

Salutation  
Liturgist: *The Lord be with you.*  
People: **And also with you.**  
Liturgist: *Let us pray.*

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (*in unison*)  
**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.**

Offertory Anthem: God Be In My Head ..... John Rutter  
God be in my head and in my understanding,  
God be in mine eyes and in my looking,  
God be in my mouth and in my speaking,  
God be in my heart and in my thinking, and  
God be at mine end and at my departing.  
*Old English Prayer*

† 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!**

**SENDING FORTH**

† Closing Hymn: Forgive our Sins ..... Winchester Old

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: ..... Vaughan Williams  
God Be with You Till We Meet Again

Voluntary: Allegro Maestoso e Vivace from *Sonata II* .....Felix Mendelssohn

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

*Livestream and video recording happen during our church services  
and worship events.*

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The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and to bless the memory of  
Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Hughes Dobson, III, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Warthen Smith,  
and Matthew Hughes Dobson, IV by their family.



*Everyone is welcome at West End! 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 everyone:  
every age, race, gender identity, sexual orientation, economic and family status,  
ethnicity, and mental and physical ability.  
We believe God loves everyone unconditionally!*

Note all activities are postponed as we practice social distancing to slow the  
spread of COVID-19. Please visit westendumc.org for the latest news and  
updates as we continue our ministry.

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Liturgy by Ed Zinkiewicz.

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“Forgiveness,” by contemporary artist Sofiya Inger (sofiyaingerart.com). Used  
with permission.

Media Team: Chase Bencin and Mac Pirkle

Music Participants: Chamber Choir. Andrew Risinger is organist/director.  
Matthew Phelps is assisting at the organ.

Today’s Music: The psalmist gave Psalm 100 the title, “A psalm of  
thanksgiving.” The opening verses tell us how this thanksgiving is to be  
rendered: boldly and jubilantly. “Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!  
... Come into his presence with singing!” (Psalm 100:1,2 *ESV*). The final stanza of  
“All People That On Earth Do Dwell,” which is a paraphrase of Psalm 100, tells  
us why God deserves such unabashed worship: “His truth at all times firmly  
stood, And shall from age to age endure.” Sing this psalm with your whole  
being, for our good God deserves nothing less than whole-hearted praise.

# West End United Methodist Church

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