WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP June 20, 2021 at Eight Forty-five Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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GATHERING

	Voluntary: PrayerTheodore Dubois
	Welcome
	Introit: O Light Everlasting
†	Opening Hymn No. 185: When Morning Gilds the Skies Laudes Domini
†	Call to Worship
†	Call to Confession
†	Prayer of Confession (in unison) Risen God, we confess that we are tempted to stay asleep when you have called us to rise. The struggles of the recent past weigh heavily on us all, causing us to forget the abundant life you have offered us through community. As the world wakes up again, help us, your church, to embrace the radiant brilliance of your love: a love so powerful that it calls people from death into life, from deep night to the breaking dawn. Awaken us! Shake us! Use us! 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

The Sacrament of Baptism Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith Liturgist: Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include this child now before you in your care? People: With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround this child with a community of love and forgiveness, that he may grow in service with others. We will pray for him to be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life. Thanksgiving Over the Water Commendation and Welcome † Liturgist: Members of the household of God, I commend Samuel Lockhart to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase his faith, confirm his hope, and perfect him in love. † People: We give thanks for all that God has already given you, Samuel Lockhart, and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant to participate faithfully in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign: with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine. PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE 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: Isaiah 60:1-5a Response to the Lesson Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God. People: Thanks be to God. Children's Moment A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

Joys & Concerns of the ChurchBrandon 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.

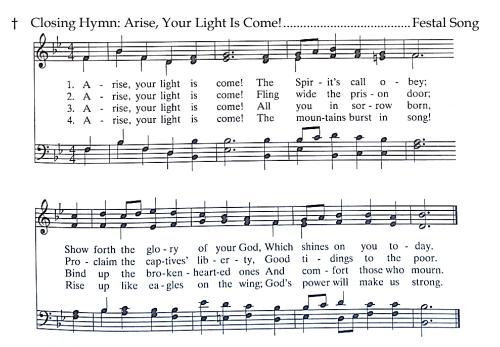
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory: Arise, Shine, For Your Light Has ComeMartin How

Arise, Shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you. For behold, darkness covers the land; deep gloom enshrouds the peoples. But over you the Lord will rise, and his glory will appear upon you. Nations will stream to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawning. Your gates will always be open; by day or night they will never be shut. They will call you, The City of the Lord, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel. Violence will no more be heard in your land, ruin or destruction within your borders. You will call your walls, Salvation, and all your portals, Praise. The sun will no more be your light by day; by night you will not need the brightness of the moon. The Lord will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. (Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19)

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



† Benediction

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†	Benediction Response:
	Voluntary: Toccata in G Major William Walond
†	The congregation is invited 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 today are given to the glory of God in memory of Dr. and Mrs. L. Rowe Driver by their family.

Samuel Lockhart Whitworth, son of Tom and Carey Whitworth, is presented for baptism today.

Eli James Meadows, son of Eric and Taylor Meadows, will be presented for baptism today in the late service.



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 all without regard to gender identity, race, sexual orientation, economic or family status, ethnicity, or mental or physical ability. We believe God loves everyone unconditionally!

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Liturgy written by Katie Minnis.

Cover Art by West End member Ray Sells.

Music Participants: Members of Chancel and Sanctuary Choirs. Andrew Risinger is organist-director. Matthew Phelps is organist. Ben Troxler, Patricia Cullum, Kyle Collier, Laura Webb-soloists.

Today's Music: "Arise, Your Light Is Come!" was written by Ruth Duck who is an ordained minister in the Church of Christ, a liturgical theologian, and hymn writer. She taught for 27 years at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, IL. During her career, she has been at the forefront in the effort to use gender inclusive language in the context of Christian worship.

West End United Methodist Church

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