

GATHERING

Voluntary: If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee, BWV 647J. S. Bach

Welcome Carol Cavin-Dillon
*Please take a moment to record your attendance.
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: Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days..... Richard Redhead

† Processional Hymn No. 126: Mit Freuden Zart
Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

† Call to Worship Emily Robbins
Liturgist: This morning we are called to worship in peace together.
People: **With one voice we proclaim the love of God for all.**
Liturgist: Let the love of Christ calm you, reassure you,
and envelop you in compassion.
People: **We celebrate the revelation of grace that shines
into our darkness.**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (in unison)
**God of second chances, of rising breath,
you alone have power over death.
We confess that we often doubt your life-giving redemption.
Teach us what it means to welcome miracles.
Give us minds that are hospitable to you,
open us to the transforming work of your Spirit.
Let us accept the miracle of eternal life within us.**

† 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.**

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 these children 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 these
children with a community of love and forgiveness, that
they may grow in service with others. We will pray for
them to be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to
life.**

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Commendation and Welcome

† Liturgist: *Members of the household of God, I commend Mason Lynn
and Taylor Jean to your love and care. Do all in your power to
increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in
love.*

† People: **We give thanks for all that God has already given you,
Mason Lynn and Taylor Jean, 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.**

† Musical ResponseNo. 611, st. 1
**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

Lenten Prayer for IlluminationJames Sewell
**Holy God, as we turn to the scriptures, open our hearts and minds
that we might encounter you in the person of Jesus Christ. Be with
us as the word is read and proclaimed, that we might know you
more fully and follow you more faithfully.**

A lesson from the Gospel: John 11:1-6, 30-45

Response to the Lesson

Liturgist: *The Word of God for the people of God.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Moment

Sermon: Jesus Wept..... Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of Faith.....No. 883
A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

Joys & Concerns of the ChurchNancy Parker

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: Geistliches Lied, Op. 30.....Johannes Brahms

Let nothing ever grieve thee, distress thee, nor fret thee;
heed God's good will, my soul, be still, compose thee.

Why brood all day in sorrow? Tomorrow will bring thee
God's help benign and grace sublime in mercy.

Be true in all endeavor and ever ply bravely;
what God decrees brings joy and peace, He'll stay thee. Amen.
(Sung in German)

† Doxology.....No. 95
**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

Reception of New Members

Liturgist: *Family of God, these persons are now entrusted to your love and
care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope,
and perfect them in love.*

People: **We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and
we welcome you in Christian love. As members together
with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of
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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.**

† Recessional Hymn No. 427:Germany
Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

† Benediction

† Lenten Benediction Response:..... Tallis Canon
**Throughout these Lenten days and nights we turn to walk the inward way,
Where meeting Christ our guide and light, we'll live in hope 'til Easter day.**

Voluntary: Fugue on "O God, Be Merciful to Me" Heinrich Bach

*The postlude is the final Alleluia of our worship.
All are invited to remain for a time of joyful prayer.*

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

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

*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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Mason Lynn Hartley and Taylor Jean Hartley, children of Kevin and Sara
Hartley, are presented for baptism.

Audrey Elizabeth Kocher, daughter of Alexander and Meredith Kocher, will be
presented for baptism at the late service this morning.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of her parents,
Travis and Elsie Dubree, by Marilyn Dubree.

Liturgy by Jayme Yeo.

Bulletin Cover: "Jesus Wept" by contemporary artist, Daniel Bonnell. Bonnell
has a BFA in Fine Art from the Atlanta College of Art and an MFA in painting
from the Savannah College of Art & Design. He produces sacred art that is
used in more than a hundred countries around the world.

Music Participants: The Sanctuary Choir. Andrew Risinger is organist-director.
Matthew Phelps is assisting at the organ.

Today's Music: For our recessional hymn, the tune Germany is by William
Gardiner, who attributed the melody to Beethoven. It is unclear which piece
Gardiner referred to in his attribution. The composer and editor Erik Routley
traced the tune to a melody in Mozart's *The Magic Flute*, while others have
attributed it to a melody from Beethoven's Piano Trio, Op. 70, no. 2. What is
likely is that Gardiner remembered a number of different melodic fragments
and created the tune himself. (Carlton Young)



CHORAL CONCERT - PASSION OF ST MARK - TODAY

Hear the story of Christ's passion in a dramatic piece of music by composer
Charles Wood featuring our Chancel Choir this afternoon at 4:30 p.m. Rarely
performed in the US, this will be a moving experience.

VBS REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

VBS is June 12-15 this year 5-7pm. Children 3 years old by June through rising
5th grade are invited to join us for Hero Central VBS this summer! Cost is \$10
per child and includes a snack supper each evening. Register at
westendumc.org/vbs2023. Youth and adult volunteers are needed for VBS. If you
are interested in helping, please contact Maggie Jarrell mjarrell@westendumc.org.

EASTER EGG HUNT - SATURDAY, APRIL 1 AT 9:45 AM

Join us for an Easter Egg Hunt Saturday April 1st! We'll have snacks, crafts,
hear the Easter Story, and hunt eggs! All ages are welcome. We need volunteers
to help hide eggs at 9 a.m. Saturday morning. If you are willing to help, please
contact Maggie Jarrell mjarrell@westendumc.org.

HELLO, MY NAME IS...

Wearing nametags is an important practice of hospitality. It helps all of us! As
we welcome visitors and guests every Sunday, we hope all church members
will wear our nametags. If you have lost yours or would like to request a new
one, visit westendumc.org/nametag. If you requested a replacement—even if it
was months ago—check the magnetic board between Reed Hall and the
Women's Restroom on the second floor. Thank you for the many ways you
practice hospitality!

Holy Week at West End UMC

Palm Sunday Worship • April 2 at 8:45 and 11 a.m.
Maundy Thursday Service • April 6 at 7 p.m.
Good Friday Service at West End • April 7 at Noon
Seven Last Words, Good Friday Service at Gordon Memorial UMC
April 7 at 6 p.m.
Easter Sunday • April 9 at 6:30, 8:45 and 11 a.m.

DO YOU RECEIVE OUR FRIDAY EMAIL?

One of the ways to find out what's going on in our church is to sign up for our
Friday eNews at westendumc.org/enews.

WAYS TO GIVE

- Give online at westendumc.org/give. Here you can make a one-time donation
or set up a recurring gift.
- Text To Give. Text "Give" to 615-697-4010, and the prompts will help you
set up from there. Once registered, you can use this option easily going
forward.

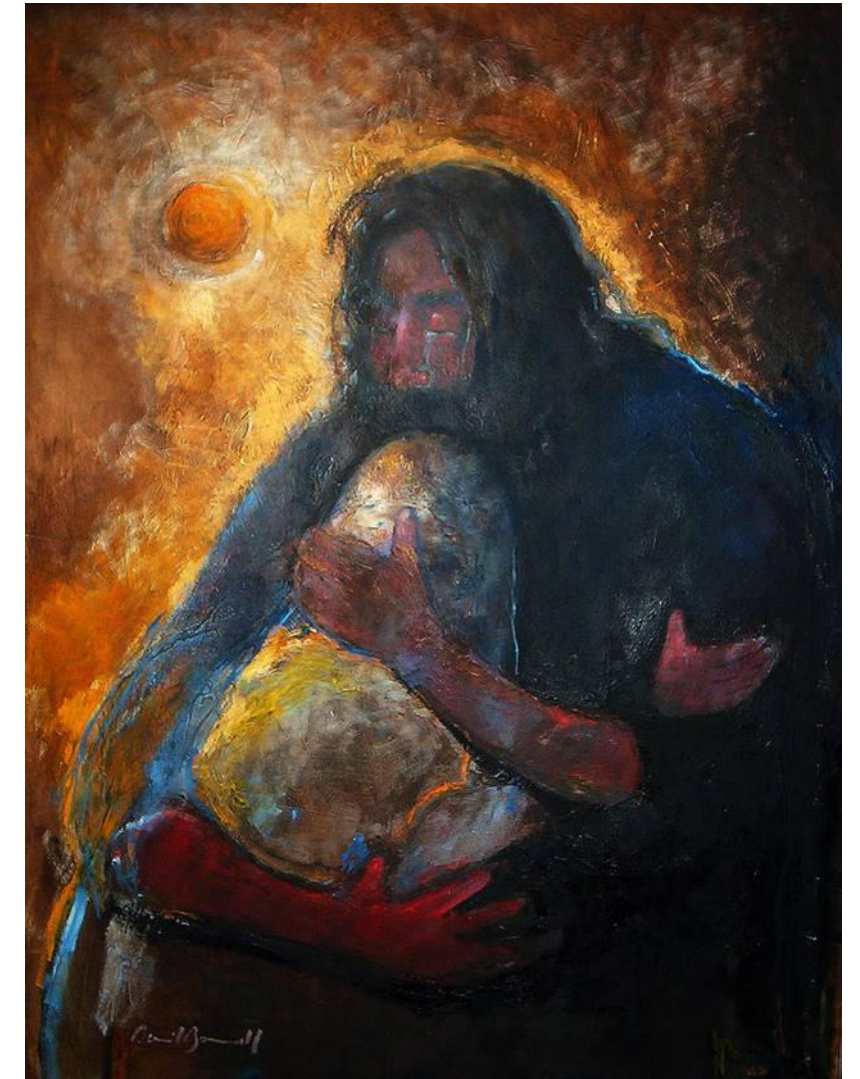


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