

JESUS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

Voluntary: Trumpet Tune in DDavid N. Johnson

WelcomeCarol Cavin-Dillon

A Lesson from the Gospel: John 12:12-15.....Shannon Baxter

Introit: Hosanna in the Highest..... John Horman
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest! He who rides upon a donkey gray, on this day brings to us salvation, Lord of ev'ry nation, hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord! Yea, we come to greet thee, humbly here to meet thee, hosanna in the highest.

† Processional Hymn No. 280: All Glory, Laud, and Honor..... St. Theodulph

† Call to Worship.....Shannon Baxter
Liturgist: *With joyful hope we raise our voices.*
People: **Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**
Liturgist: *Let us welcome and worship the coming savior!*
People: **Hosanna in the highest!**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)
Merciful God, we confess
that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

† 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, we will now exchange signs of reconciliation and love. The peace of Christ be with you.*
People: **And also with you.**

† An Act of Praise
Antiphon



Anthem: All Things Bright and Beautiful Vicki Hancock Wright
All things bright and beautiful, all things great and small
All things wise and wonderful; God our father created them all.
Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors, God made their tiny wings.
God gave us eyes to see them and lips that we might tell
How great is God almighty, who doeth all things well.
(Cecil Frances Alexander)

THE LAST SUPPER

Lesson from the Gospel: Matthew 26:17-19.....Erin Racine

Thanksgiving
Celebrant: *The Lord be with you.*
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: *Lift up your hearts.*
People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Celebrant: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*
People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Prayer of Praise and Thanksgiving

Prayer of Consecration

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.

The Breaking of Bread and Taking of the Cup
The congregation is invited to join the choir in singing the following hymns during communion: 286 and 289.

JESUS ON TRIAL

Prayer for Illumination (*in unison*) Bill Norton
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 18:33-38; 19:9-11a, 13-16a

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

Children's Moment

Communion Meditation: Jesus before Pilate.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of FaithNo. 881
The Apostles' Creed

Joys & Concerns of the ChurchErin Racine

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

Prayers of the People

The Offering

Offertory Anthem: O Vos Omnes Pablo Casals
O all ye that pass by the way,
attend and see if there be any sorrow like to my sorrow.
(Sung in Latin)

† DoxologyNo. 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

† Recessional Hymn No. 285:Kingsfold
To Mock Your Reign, O Dearest Lord

† Benediction

† Lenten Benediction Response: Were You ThereSpiritual
You are encouraged to leave in silence, meditating on the story of Holy Week and the passion of our Lord.

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

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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!

The palms this Palm 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.

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Bulletin Cover: "Entry into the City" was first painted by John August Swanson in 1990 and appeared in the December, 1994 issue of *Life Magazine*. In 2011 he began to revisit the story and completed a revision using more characters and brighter colors, which is the one on our bulletin cover. Swanson was born in the U.S. in 1938 and died September 23, 2021. His father had been an immigrant to the US from Sweden, and his mother immigrated from Mexico.

Music Participants: Chancel Choir. Matthew Phelps is director and assisting at the organ. Andrew Risinger is organist/accompanist. Asbury Choir (K-2nd graders), Bethany DiSantis, Andrew Risinger, Anna Bigelow – leaders; Chapel Choir (3rd-6th graders), Emma Jackson, Ben Troxler, John Wiseman – leaders.



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.

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.

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/nametags. 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!

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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Palm Sunday

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