

GATHERING

Voluntary: Basse de Trompete ou de Cromorne..... Louis Marchand

Welcome.....Carol Cavin-Dillon
Please take a moment to let us know you are here today by either filling out the attendance form in the pew or by clicking on the attendance form online. 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: I Will Arise..... arr. Alice Parker

† Processional Hymn No. 60 17th Century German
I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath

† Call to Worship Maggie Jarrell
Liturgist: Shout for joy, all the earth.
People: All people praise the Lord.
Liturgist: For the Lord is steadfast,
People: and God's love is everlasting.
Liturgist: Praise the Lord.
People: The Lord's name be praised!

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (in unison)
Loving God,
your grace knows no end, and your love knows no bounds.
Yet too often we turn away from your love;
we seek comfort instead of justice,
malevolence instead of mercy,
and selfishness instead of humility.
Forgive us for the moments we disregard your tender plea
to walk humbly with you.

† 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.**

The Sacrament of Baptism
Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

Liturgist: Will you nurture one another in 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 so that she may grow in service with others. We will pray for her 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 Sterling Elle to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase her faith, confirm her hope, and perfect her in love.

People: We give thanks for all that God has already given you, Sterling Elle, 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 Response No. 611, st. 1

**Child of blessing, child of promise,
baptized with the Spirit's sigh:
with this water God has sealed you
unto love and grace divine.**

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination..... Brant Phillips

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.....Amos 5:1, 14-15, 21-24
Micah 6:6-8

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

Children's Moment

Sermon: Worship with Justice Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of Faith No. 883

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 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.....Shannon 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: I Have Longed for Thy Saving Health...Byrd, arr. Whitehead
I have longed for Thy saving health, O Lord;
Thy law is my delight, O Lord.
O let my soul live and it shall praise Thee,
and Thy judgments shall help me. (Psalm 119:174-175)

† 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

Welcoming of New Members

Commendation and Welcome

Liturgist: *Family of God, Louis, James, Ashley, Chris,
Melissa, and Sheyla 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
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covenant to participate faithfully in the
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our presence, our gifts, our service, and
our witness, that in everything God
may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

Recognition of Ministry for William Miller and James Sewell

† Recessional Hymn No. 438.....Duke Street
Forth in Thy Name, O Lord

† Benediction

† Benediction ResponseRandolph
**God be with you till we meet again;
By his counsels' guide, uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.**

Voluntary: Toccata on Duke StreetGilbert Martin
*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 altar flowers are given today by Stephanie and Marcus Fulbright in
loving memory of Stephanie's godmother, Peggy Caples,
in honor of her birthday.*

*Sterling Elle Meadows, child of Eric and Taylor Meadows,
will be presented for baptism today.*

*A rose on the table celebrates the birth of Caroline Abigail Mayes
on July 7th to Anna and Riley Mayes.*

Today's liturgy was written/adapted by Matthew Phelps.

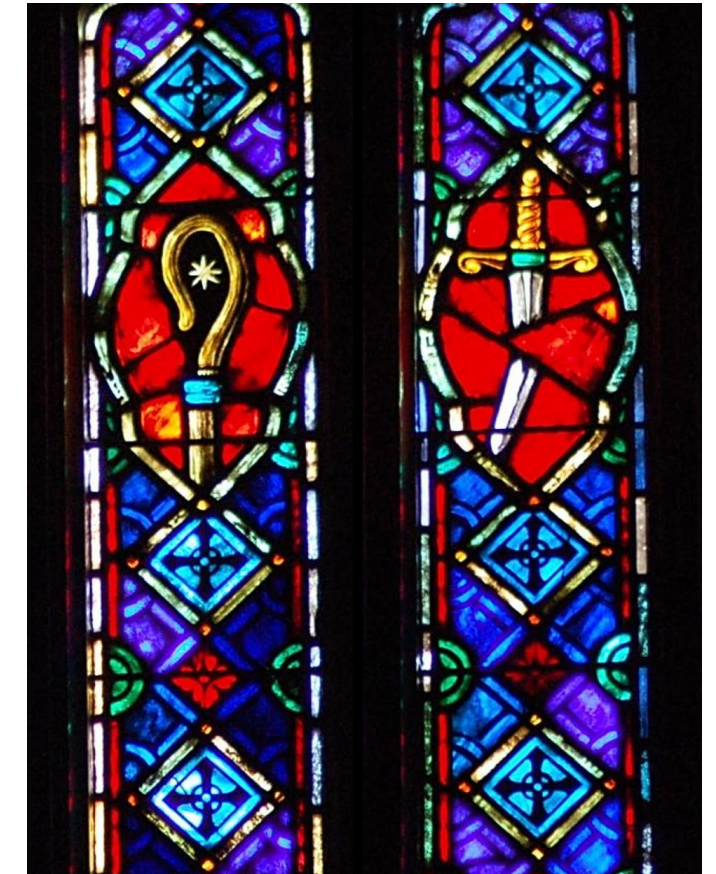
Bulletin Cover Art: These are two of the small panels in West End UMC's Old Testament window given by Wade C. Owen. The panel with the shepherd's crook represents the prophet Amos, who was said to have been "among the shepherds of Tekoa" (Amos 1:1) when he first spoke God's word. The broken sword is the symbol for the prophet Micah, who famously looked forward to a time when "nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore" (Micah 4:3). The window was among those designed by Nicola D'Ascenzo for West End's new sanctuary in the late 1930s.

Music Participants: The Sanctuary Choir. Matthew Phelps is the organist-director.

Today's Music: "Old 113th" is attributed to Matthaus Greiter, who set it to his paraphrase of Psalm 119 in his *Strassburger Kirchenamt*, 1525. In Germany in the 16th and 17th centuries, it was set to the penitential text, "O Man Bewail your Grievous Sin." John Wesley included it in his *Foundery Collection*, 1742 and *Select Hymns*, 1765. In the latter, it was printed with Watt's text "I'll Praise My Maker." (Carlton Young)

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