



## GATHERING

Voluntary: Preludes on *Now Thank We All Our God*.....Marcel Dupré  
Jeffrey Honoré

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 visiting [westendumc.org/attendance](http://westendumc.org/attendance). 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: Come, Ye That Love the Lord ..... arr. Alice Parker

† Processional Hymn No. 154: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name .....Coronation

† Call to Worship ..... Emily Robbins

*Liturgist: Everlasting God, you have revealed yourself to your saints throughout history.*

**People: Your light has shined and they have shared that revelation with us.**

*Liturgist: May we be attentive to their words and seek to be changed by them.*

**People: You also make yourself known to each of us today in ways that celebrate your creative work.**

*Liturgist: May our hearts be as moldable as clay as we join together in worship.*

**People: As we lift up word, song, and prayers, may we become more like you!**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**God of the past, present, and future,  
today we acknowledge our limited understanding of your world.**

**We recognize where we have failed to trust you as the author and sustainer of all life.**

**Forgive us for giving into the temptation of self-reliance and not recognizing the grace you offer us daily.**

**Help us to recognize the gift that is you, a gift freely given that offers us life to the fullest.**

† 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 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 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 Arthur Cullen 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, Arthur Cullen, 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 sign;  
with this water God has sealed you  
unto love and grace divine.**

### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination ..... Ed Zinkiewicz

**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 New Testament ..... Revelation 1:9-19

Response to the Lesson

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Children's Moment

Sermon: The Alpha and Omega ..... Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Affirmation of Faith, No. 883 ..... Shannon Baxter

**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

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: Beati Quorum Via ..... Charles V. Stanford

Blessed are those whose way is blameless,  
who walk in the law of the Lord.  
*(Psalm 119:1, sung in Latin)*

† 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

Welcoming of New Members

Commendation and Welcome

*Liturgist: Family of God, Madeline and Daniel Franquemont 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 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.**



† Recessional Hymn No. 102: Now Thank We All Our God..... Nun Danket

† Benediction

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

**God be with you till we meet again,  
loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
with his sheep securely fold you.  
God be with you till we meet again.**

Voluntary: Now Thank We All Our God from *Cantata 79* ..... J. S. Bach  
arr. Robert Hebble

*The voluntary 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.

\* *TFWS—The Faith We Sing (Pew Edition)*

### ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

*The flowers on the altar today are given for the Glory of God  
and in memory of Nancy Perry Bowers and Bob Bowers on the 67th anniversary  
of their marriage in this sanctuary.*

*The flowers in Reed Hall are given in loving memory of Carol McSwiney  
by her sister, Sue McSwiney.*

*Arthur Cullen Read, son of Laurie and Matt Read, is presented for baptism today.*

*Today's liturgy was written by Rev. Shannon Baxter.*

#### Music Participants

The Sanctuary Choir  
Andrew Risinger: Director / Organist  
Matthew Phelps: Assisting at Organ

### Today's Music

The first two stanzas of *Now Thank We All Our God* are based on the doxology of Sirach: "And now bless the God of all, who everywhere works great wonders, who fosters our growth from birth, and deals with us according to his mercy. May he give us gladness of heart, and may there be peace in our days in Israel, as in the days of old. May he entrust to us his mercy, and may he deliver us in our days!" (*Sirach 50:22-24*)

### Bulletin Cover Art

"The Alpha and Omega" vision from Revelation chapter 1, painted by contemporary artist Peter Olsen. Olsen was born in Brooklyn, NY and, since 1974, he has been doing art with Biblical themes, many from the book of Revelation. In the 1960s Olsen moved to South Florida where he paints, sculpts, and teaches art in private schools and in his studio.

### WEEKLY CALENDAR

#### Sunday, November 19

8:45 a

Children's Church

Scales Chapel

8:45 a

Worship Service

Sanctuary

9:45 a

Sunday School

9:45 a

Grigg Small Group - BTTY

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11:00 a

Children's Church

Scales Chapel

11:00 a

Worship Service

Sanctuary

5:00 p

Youth Small Groups

Youth Center

6:00 p

Harrell Small Group - BTTY

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#### Monday, November 20

10:00 a

Sunny Day Club

McWhirter Hall

5:30 p

Carroll Small Group - BTTY

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#### Tuesday, November 21

7:30 a

Morning Bible Study

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1:30 p

Creative Hands

305

#### Wednesday, November 22

5:30 p

Room in the Inn

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#### Thursday, November 23

7:30 a

Church closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

#### Friday, November 24

7:30 a

Church closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

## WEST END STAFF

**Rev. Dr. Carol Cavin-Dillon**..... Senior Pastor  
**Rev. Will McLeane** ..... Pastor of Spiritual Formation  
**Rev. Maggie Jarrell**..... Pastor of Children & Families  
**Rev. Stacey Harwell-Dye**.....  
..... Pastor of Mercy and Justice Ministries  
**Rev. Shannon Baxter** .....  
..... Pastor of Congregational Connection  
**Rev. Aimee Baxter**..... Pastor of Young Adults  
**Molly Borneman** ..... Pastoral Fellow  
**Dr. Tammy Lewis Wilborn**... Congregational Care Intern  
**Matthew Phelps**..... Minister of Music  
**Andrew Risinger** ..... Associate Minister of Music  
**Nico Zavala**..... Music Intern  
**Emily C. Robbins**..... Minister of Youth  
**Melanie Paulson**..... Director, HR & Operations  
**Shelley Kuhlmeier**..... Communications Director

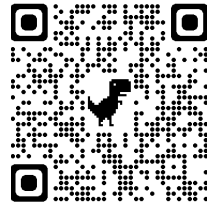
**Lazaro Kapella**..... Church Financial Officer  
**Jim Raver**..... Property Operations Manager  
**Corye Nelson**..... Preschool Executive Director  
**Christina Shoptaw**..... Preschool Operations Manager  
**Cheryl Reeves**..... Preschool Curriculum Coordinator  
**Karina Gurgendize**..... Childcare Coordinator  
**Cindy Siemer**..... Senior Administrative Assistant  
**Julie Catterton**..... Assistant to Senior Pastor  
**Andrew Callis**..... Administrative Assistant  
**Tosha Jackson**..... Receptionist  
**Devon Bardo**..... Receptionist  
**Chase Bencin**..... Media Coordinator  
**Cin Tuang**..... Media Assistant  
**Open**..... Building Engineer  
**Richard Thomas**..... Custodian

## A WARM WELCOME TO WEST END

Welcome to West End United Methodist Church! 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!

Scan this QR Code or visit [westendumc.org/links](https://westendumc.org/links) to register your attendance with us, find out more about our Sunday Morning Classes, sign up for our weekly email, and learn more about the different ways to give at West End.



## PRAYER REQUESTS AND CONCERNS

♦ **Prayer Requests:** Gina Dixon, Adrienne Ames, Bryan Roberson, Emily McCord, Brant Philips, Cin Tuang, Viola-Cleo Bradshaw, Greg Carter, and Clay Ferguson.

If you have an emergency and need to contact one of the Pastors after hours, please call 615.321.8500, Ext. 8853. The Pastor on Call for November 20-26 will be Rev. Carol Cavin-Dillon.

To submit a prayer request, visit [westendumc.org/prayerrequest](https://westendumc.org/prayerrequest).

## 'CHAT AND CHEW' COLLEGE AND GRAD STUDENTS LUNCH

Join Pastor Aimee after the 11 a.m. service for free lunch at a nearby restaurant. Meet in the back of the sanctuary to find out where we're going. All undergraduate and graduate students are invited to attend! Contact Pastor Aimee with questions at [abaxter@westendumc.org](mailto:abaxter@westendumc.org).

## YOUR 2024 ESTIMATE OF GIVING

Our church depends on the financial support of its members to carry out the ministries and programs that allow West End United Methodist Church to be the loving light of Christ, connecting, transforming. Each and every gift to our church is appreciated. Help our church plan for the coming year by turning in an Estimate of Giving card, and when you do, please prayerfully consider increasing your investment in our church. Estimate of Giving cards have been mailed to you and are available in the pew racks. You can also make your estimate online at [westendumc.org/estimatetnow](https://westendumc.org/estimatetnow). Thank you for your support and for the many ways you add to our community.

## CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR KIDS IN FOSTER CARE

This year we are excited to continue to offer an opportunity to buy Christmas gifts for area kids in foster care. Like in previous years, we need these gifts to be unwrapped and grouped together. Gift bags are fine as long as we can see inside to take inventory. Durable bags or boxes are preferred to make carrying items to the central gift location easiest. Because foster kids may need to take their belongings to a permanent home or another foster home, placing the gifts in a small rolling suitcase or duffel bag may also be appropriate. Please make a tag for each box/bag so that we can make sure the gifts stay together and get to their intended donation. If there are multiple boxes or bags please mark the tags with the name of the child, the code and then 1 of 2, or 2 of 2, etc. Please keep your spending right at \$150 so that each kid has an equitable amount of Christmas gifts to other kids in the program.

Gifts need to be at the church no later than Tuesday, December 12. Stacey will have a bin for collection of the items at the missions market in Reed Hall on the December 3 and 10. If you need to make arrangements to drop off the gifts at the church, please contact Stacey at [sharwellldye@westendumc.org](mailto:sharwellldye@westendumc.org). Visit [westendumc.org/christmasgifts](https://westendumc.org/christmasgifts) to find out more.

## SUPPORT OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS DURING FINALS WEEK

If you'd like to help show our college students some love at the end of the semester, please consider donating a \$10 gift card to a local restaurant or coffee house. Gift cards will be included in a care package given to students at West End and Vandy Wesley. If you'd like to donate, contact Rev. Aimee Baxter at [abaxter@westendumc.org](mailto:abaxter@westendumc.org) or bring the gift cards to the church office by Sunday, November 26.

### **ADVENT WREATH WORKSHOP ♦ DECEMBER 3 ♦ 4-5:30 PM**

Advent is just around the corner, and you will be seeing more information soon, but mark your calendar now for the Advent Wreath Workshop on December 3 from 4-5:30 p.m. We will be gathering in the gym to make wreaths to prepare for the Advent season of waiting and hoping for the birth of Christ. The wreath making event will include an Advent worship time, celebrating the 1st Sunday of Advent. Resources and devotional materials will be available for church families to observe lighting the Advent wreath candles in their homes during the Advent season. Our mission is twofold this year.

1. At the event, we'll be making Christmas cards to spread cheer to our Sunny Day Club members and to our homebound members.
2. We will also be collecting diapers and baby wipes for Nashville Diaper Connection to support their work of providing diapers to families in Nashville who need them.

### **COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE AT GORDON MEMORIAL**

We have been invited by our friends at Gordon Memorial UMC to participate in a community service of praise and worship to celebrate "Beloved Community." Other local congregations will be participating as we hear several pastors, including our own Pastor Carol, preach about God's calling to beloved community in Micah 6:8. The service will be on Sunday, November 19, at 2 p.m. at Gordon Memorial UMC.

### **SUNNY DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We have had new members join Sunny Day recently, and now we need more volunteers to help care for our members! The Sunny Day Club provides social interaction, stimulation and friendship in a caring, safe environment for those experiencing early stages of memory loss, as well as provide a known block of respite time for the caregivers. To find out more or volunteer, contact Shannon Baxter at sbaxter@westendumc.org.

### **WEEKDAY MAIN ENTRANCE SECURITY**

As we continue enhancing the security of our church, we want to ensure everyone understands the current protocols in place. A buzzer system was installed at the automatic doors in the main lobby a few years ago. The doors remain locked Monday-Friday; and the receptionist or guard allows entrance. While they often recognize many of you, they do not know all of our members or guests. You may be asked a question or two about the nature of your visit. You will also be asked to sign in/out, wear a name tag, and/or wait for a staff member to come downstairs. It would be helpful if you wear your church name badge (Visit westendumc.org/nametag if you need one). Thank you for your patience as we strive to make the building safe for everyone!

### **ACCESSIBILITY IN WORSHIP**

- ♦ **Service Dogs** - On Sundays, we may have congregants with service or guide dogs in worship with us. Please warmly welcome them both but refrain from petting the dog because it is a distraction to the animal while its working.
- ♦ **Braille Bulletins** - Also, we are now able to offer braille bulletins for those who may need it to fully participate in our worship service. Please email Pastor Stacey at [sharwellldye@westendumc.org](mailto:sharwellldye@westendumc.org) so we can make those arrangements and have it available for you.

### **SAVE THE DATE**

Our 2024 Church-Wide Fall Retreat is set for September 27-29, 2024. Mark the dates on your calendar now and encourage your friends to come too!

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## **Welcome To Our Newest Members**



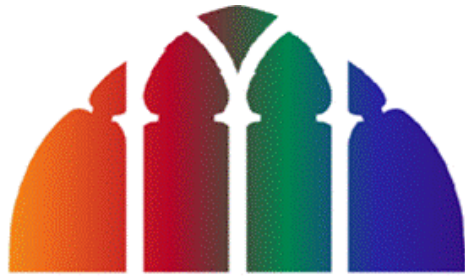
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