



# WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF WORSHIP  
FEBRUARY 11, 2024 AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK  
TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

# GATHERING

Voluntary: All Glory Be to God on High..... Johann Ludwig Krebs  
My Lord, What a Mourning .....Traditional Spiritual  
arr. by Susan Berry and Janet Van Valey  
How Great Thou Art..... O Store Gud  
arr. by Kevin McChesney

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. 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 ..... Alice Parker

† Processional Hymn No. 173: Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies .....Ratisbon

† Call to Worship .....Molly Borneman  
Leader: Lord, you revealed your glory on the mountain to your disciples.  
**People: Show us your glory!**  
Leader: Reveal to us the light of your countenance as we worship you this day.  
**People: Show us your glory!**

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession **(in unison)**  
**Radiant God,**  
**source of light, as you surrounded Jesus with your glory, so you come to us in penetrating brightness.**  
**You catch us off guard and expose our weaknesses.**  
**For the times we seek the spectacular, call us to acts of mercy and justice.**  
**When it is easier to create safety nets and hoard you for ourselves,**  
**remind us that your love knows no bounds.**  
**Where we have sought to limit you, expand our imaginations.**  
**Move our hearts from the temporal to the eternal so we may carry your good news into all the corners of the world.**

† 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.**

Anthem: Exsultate Justi ..... Ludovico Da Viadana  
Rejoice in the Lord, O ye just; praise befits the upright.  
Give praise to the Lord on the harp; sing to him with the psaltery,  
the instrument of ten strings.  
Sing to him a new canticle, sing well unto him with a loud noise.  
Rejoice in the Lord, O ye just; praise befits the upright.  
*(Sung in Latin)*

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 Wells Martin 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, Wells Martin, 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 ..... Harper Barnes

**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 Gospel.....Mark 9:2-9

Response to the Lesson

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

† Hymn: ‘Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here.....Dennis

**‘Tis good, Lord, to be here!  
Your glory fills the night;  
your face and garments, like the sun,  
shine with unborrowed light.**

**‘Tis good, Lord, to be here,  
your beauty to behold,  
where Moses and Elijah stand,  
your messengers of old.**

**Fulfiller of the past!  
Promise of things to be!  
We hail your body glorified,  
and our redemption see.**

**‘Tis good, Lord, to be here!  
Yet we may not remain;  
but since you bid us leave the mount,  
come with us to the plain.**

Children’s Moment

Sermon: Invited to the Thin and Thick Places.....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.**

## SENDING FORTH

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: O Nata Lux.....Morten Lauridsen

O Light born of Light,

Jesus, redeemer of the world,

with loving-kindness deign to receive

suppliant praise and prayer.

Thou who once deigned to be clothed in flesh

for the sake of the lost,

grant us to be members

of thy blessed body.

*(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!**

† Recessional Hymn No. 568: Christ for the World We Sing..... Italian Hymn

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Go with Us Lord.....Tallis' Canon

**Go with us Lord, and guide our way,  
through this and every coming day,  
that in your spirit strong and true  
our lives may be our gift to you.**

Voluntary: In Thee Is Gladness, BWV 615..... J. S. Bach

*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 altar flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Louise and Bill Wills by Allison Wills Brooks and Phil Brooks.*

*A rose on the table celebrates the birth of Lowell William Franquemont, who was born February 3rd to Madeline and Dan Franquemont.*

*Christopher James Smillie, Jr., son of Chris and Taylor Smillie, was presented for baptism today at 8:45 am.*

*Wells Martin Birkmeyer, son of Jennifer and Justin Birkmeyer, is presented for baptism today at 11 am.*

*Today's liturgy was adapted by Reverend Aimee Baxter from Mark 9:2-9 and UMC Discipleship resources.*

### Music Participants

Youth Hand Bells  
Andie Smith: Director

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

### Today's Music

Charles Wesley first published the text, "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies," in *Hymns and Sacred Poems*, 1740. The text was included in a number of nineteenth century hymnals after being published in two other eighteenth century collections. The tune *Ratisbon* entered our hymnals in 1935 in the version found in *Hymns Ancient and Modern*.

### Bulletin Cover Art

"The Transformation of Jesus Christ," was painted in 2006 by Cornelis Monsma who grew up in The Netherlands with no art training but now lives in New Zealand and describes his work this way: "Like many other fellow Christians, I started out with a well-meaning attitude of 'wanting to do my part' for the Christ who gave so much for me. I ended up, however, finding 'me' wanting, and I found that Christ doing His part Himself through me, was the only fruitful situation to be in."

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, February 11

8:45 a Children's Church  
8:45 a Worship Service  
9:45 a Sunday School  
10:00 a Greeter and Usher Training  
11:00 a Children's Church  
11:00 a Worship Service  
12:00 p Confirmation Class  
2:00 p Vocal Arts Nashville concert

Scales Chapel  
Sanctuary

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### Monday, February 12

10:00 a Sunny Day Club  
5:30 p SPRC Meeting

McWhirter Hall  
310

### Tuesday, February 13

7:30 a Morning Bible Study  
5:00 p Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper  
6:30 p Jazz Mass

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McWhirter Hall  
Sanctuary

### Wednesday, February 14

12:00 p Ash Wednesday Service  
6:15 p Ash Wednesday Service  
7:30 p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Sanctuary  
Sanctuary  
Music Suite

### Thursday, February 15

12:00 p Lenten Concert Series  
12:45 p Lenten Concert Series Luncheon  
7:00 p Chancel Choir Rehearsal

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McWhirter Hall  
Music Suite

## 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

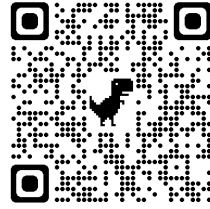
Lazaro Kapella ..... Church Financial Officer  
Jim Raver ..... Property Operations Manager  
Corye Nelson ..... Preschool Executive Director  
Christina Shoptaw ..... Preschool Operations Manager  
Cheryl Reeves ..... Preschool Curriculum Coordinator  
Karina Gurgendize ..... Childcare Coordinator  
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](http://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

♦ Sympathies to Jerry Ishee II and family as they mourn the death of his father, Jerry Ervin Ishee of Laurel, Mississippi on February 4th

♦ **Prayer Requests:** Leon Rader; Stacie Denton; Gina Dixon; individuals in the hospital having procedures, recovering from illness, those in treatment, and the families that are caring for them; those affected by the recent tornadoes; peace in Palestine/Israel and Ukraine

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 February 12-18 will be Rev. Maggie Jarrell. To submit a prayer request, visit [westendumc.org/prayerrequest](http://westendumc.org/prayerrequest).

## SMALL GROUPS INTEREST SESSION :: FEBRUARY 21

The Lenten Season is a time for all of us to recommit to the spiritual journey and to growing in our faith. Now is a great time to consider joining a small group, if you're not already connected. There will be an interest session on Wednesday, February 21, at 6 pm in McWhirter Hall for all who want to learn more. Email Rev. Will McLeane for more information at [wmcleane@westendumc.org](mailto:wmcleane@westendumc.org).

## FEBRUARY'S COMMUNION OFFERING - 30 HR FAMINE

For the month of February, our communion offering will benefit the 30-Hour Famine. Our youth will go without food for 30 hours on March 1st and 2nd to experience hunger. They are doing this to raise money and awareness for two different ministries this year. The local ministry is Villages at Glencliff to continue their ongoing work of housing persons who need medical respite. The second ministry is World Vision to help bring food and clean water to starving children around the world! Thank you all so much for your generosity!

## UPCOMING LENTEN EVENTS

♦ **Annual Pancake Supper ♦ February 13** - Join us on Shrove Tuesday, February 13 at 5 p.m. for this beloved West End tradition of pancakes, sausage, and loads of fun for all ages. Reserve your spot TODAY so that we can prepare accordingly. Visit [westendumc.org/pancakes](http://westendumc.org/pancakes) to make your reservation.

♦ **Shrove Tuesday Jazz Mass ♦ February 13** - Make plans to attend a Mardi Gras-style Jazz Mass on Shrove Tuesday, February 13 in the Sanctuary at 6:30 p.m. This festive celebration of Holy Communion is framed in a jazz setting, with a jazz band, a Mardi Gras-style processional, hymns, soloists from the recording industry, and vocal interpretations of the traditional texts.

♦ **Ash Wednesday Services ♦ February 14 ♦ 12 Noon and 6:15 p.m.** - Ash Wednesday emphasizes a dual encounter: we confront our own mortality and confess our sin before God within the community of faith. The form and content of these services focus on the dual themes of sin and death in the light of God's redeeming love in Jesus Christ though the imposition of ashes.

♦ **Lenten Noon Concert ♦ February 15** - We begin our Thursday Lenten Noon Concert series with cellist, Keith Nicholas and pianist, Matthew Phelps performing Beethoven's Cello Sonata, No. 3 in A Major. Each half-hour concert will begin promptly at noon. Lunch is available in McWhirter Hall at 12:30 p.m. for \$12. **Lunch requires reservations.** Register online at [westendumc.org/lentenconcerts](http://westendumc.org/lentenconcerts).

## MERCY AND JUSTICE OPPORTUNITIES DURING LENT

Over the 40 days of Lent, there are numerous ways you can live into our calling to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God, and we have found several opportunities we can engage in as a community of faith. Check out the different ways to be involved and register to participate at the Lenten Mercy and Justice Hub on our website. Scan this QR code or visit [westendumc.org/mercyandjusticeopportunities](http://westendumc.org/mercyandjusticeopportunities) to find out more.



♦ **Homelessness Day on the Hill ♦ February 20** - Led by Open Table Nashville, this event will focus on continuing to educate and build relationships with our elected officials to ensure that the interconnected issues of housing, homelessness, and tenant issues are on the forefront of our legislators' minds!

♦ **United Methodist Day on the Hill ♦ February 27** - Join other United Methodists on the hill to focus on gun safety legislation with training in the morning and then advocacy with elected officials in the afternoon. We will be joining Moms Demand Action and other gun safety groups in this effort.



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