



# WEST END

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



ORDER OF WORSHIP  
MARCH 31, 2024      EASTER SUNDAY

# GATHERING

Voluntary: Allegro Festivoso ..... Michael Keller  
Resurrection ..... Larry King  
*Lament - The Rising - The Ecstasy - Reflection*

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: Easter Introit..... Richard Proulx

## † Easter Proclamation

Liturgist: Christ is risen!  
**People: Christ is risen indeed!**

† Processional Hymn No. 302: Christ the Lord Is Risen Today.....Easter Hymn  
**Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!**

**Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!  
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!  
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!**

**Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!  
Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!**

**Hail the Lord of earth and heaven, Alleluia!  
Praise to thee by both be given, Alleluia!  
Thee we greet triumphant now, Alleluia!  
Hail the Resurrection, thou, Alleluia!**

† Call to Worship ..... Will McLeane (8:45)  
Aimee Baxter (11:00)

Liturgist: We have been released from tombs of pain and doubt, fear and death.

**People: We are Easter people, and Alleluia is our song.**

Liturgist: We are emerging into the wonder of faith with hope in our hearts.

**People: We are Easter people, and Alleluia is our song.**

Liturgist: Jesus calls to us by name, inviting us into forgiveness and freedom.

**People: We are Easter people, and Alleluia is our song.**

Liturgist: Let us worship our risen Lord with gratitude and joy,

**People: for we are Easter people, and Alleluia is our song!**

## † Easter Collect

**God of Glory,  
you have made us Easter people through the resurrection of your son,  
Jesus Christ.  
As the sun rises in the sky, and as our Alleluias rise with hope, grant that  
we might faithfully proclaim the Good News, share in Christ's  
redeeming work, and cultivate hope and peace by the power of your  
Holy Spirit. 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.**

Voluntary: I Sing the Mighty Power of God ..... Carol Lynn Mizell

# PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination.....Stacey Harwell-Dye (8:45)  
Shannon Baxter (11:00)

**As the stone was rolled away to reveal a risen Lord, show yourself to us anew today in the reading of your Word. May our hearts be warmed by its reading, revealing your presence with us in your resurrected glory! Amen.**

A Lesson from the Gospel..... Mark 16:1-8

Response to the Lesson

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

† Hymn No. 304: Easter People, Raise Your Voices..... Regent Square

Sermon: Life Goes On.....Carol Cavin-Dillon

† Apostles' Creed, No. 881.....Stacey Harwell-Dye (8:45)  
Shannon Baxter (11:00)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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: Worthy is the Lamb (from *Messiah*) ..... G. F. Handel

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and hath redeemed us to God by His blood, to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing. Blessing and honour, glory and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever. Amen.

*(Revelation 5:12-14)*

† 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

† Recessional Hymn No. 303: The Day of Resurrection..... Lancashire

† Benediction

† Benediction Response: Hallelujah Chorus (from *Messiah*) ..... G. F. Handel

Voluntary: Toccata (from *Fifth Symphony*) ..... C. M. Widor

*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.*

## ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God this Easter Sunday  
by Mark A. O'Bryan and W. Montgomery Smith.*

### Music Participants

*The Sanctuary and Chancel Choirs*

Matthew Phelps: Minister of Music / Assisting at Organ

Andrew Risinger: Assistant Minister of Music / Organist

*Joy Ringers Handbell Choir*

Matthew Phelps: Director

Josh Norton and Chris Smith: Trumpets

Colleen Wheelhan-Phelps: Timpani

### Today's Music

“Resurrection,” by Larry King, one of today’s opening voluntary pieces, portrays in freely structured fragments the four aspects of the resurrection. “Lament” combines the liturgical mourning of the plainsong chant *Vinea mea electa* (O my vineyard, I planted and tended thee...and thou hast prepared a cross for thy savior) with an expression of contemporary grief. “The Rising” grows quietly from this grief, using twelve-tone rows and techniques to express its cosmic nature. “The Ecstasy” develops an alleluia strain with improvisatory embellishments. “Reflection” combines the liturgical rejoicing of the plainsong introtit for Easter Day, *Haec dies* (This is the day which the Lord has made), with alleluia fragments.

### Bulletin Cover

“The Risen Lord” is a painting by Dr. James He Qi, currently a resident of California and Artist-In-Residence at Fuller Theological Seminary. He grew up in China, and his religious art is heavily influenced by that heritage. He and his works have been seen and revered by Christians around the world. At our invitation, He Qi visited West End UMC several years ago to display some of his works and give a presentation about the influences on his work and his growing up during the revolution. We have often used his paintings as bulletin covers.

## WEST END STAFF

Members of West End United Methodist Church..... Ministers

**Rev. Dr. Carol Cavin-Dillon**.....Senior Pastor

**Rev. Will McLeane** .....Pastor of Spiritual Formation

**Rev. Maggie Jarrell** .....Pastor of Children and Families

**Rev. Stacey Harwell-Dye** ..... Pastor of Mercy and Justice

**Rev. Shannon Baxter** ..Pastor of Congregational Connection

**Rev. Aimee Baxter** .....Pastor of Young Adults

**Molly Borneman** ..... Pastoral Fellow

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**Andrew Risinger** .....Associate Minister of Music

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**Christina Shoptaw** .....Preschool Operations Manager

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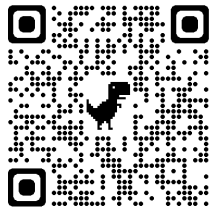
**Richard Thomas** ..... Custodian

## 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

♦ **Sympathies** to Lynda Jones and Remy Kenigson and their family who are mourning the death of Lynda’s mother and Remy’s grandmother, Linda Brown Jones, who passed away on March 25th

♦ **Prayer Requests:** Rev. Bob Abstein; Kevin Walko and Andrew Callis; Mark Owen; Gina Dixon; Tennessee State Legislature Session; individuals in the hospital having procedures, recovering from illness, those in treatment, and the families that are caring for them; 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 April 1-7 will be Rev. Shannon Baxter. To submit a prayer request, visit [westendumc.org/prayerrequest](https://westendumc.org/prayerrequest).

## **CHAT AND CHEW LUNCH - UNDERGRAD AND GRAD STUDENTS**

There will be no Chat and Chew this Easter Sunday, but we will attend the Easter Brunch together in McWhirter Hall from 9:45-10:45 a.m.

## **NEW SMALL GROUPS FORMING**

Over the course of the next month, we are inviting you to consider joining new small groups as they form and are announced through our various church communications. This week, we invite you to consider joining a “shared journey” group that will meet twice a month (2nd and 4th Tuesdays) at WEUMC from 5:30-6:30pm. The group’s first meeting will be Tuesday, April 9th. “Shared Journey” groups will follow the worship, preaching, and discipleship seasons of WEUMC (Ex. Lent: Mercy and Justice) as they center their shared life together in God’s transforming grace. If you have interest or questions about any group, contact Rev. Will McLeane at [wmcleane@westendumc.org](mailto:wmcleane@westendumc.org).

## **FIRST WEDS WITH DR. JEN QUIGLEY: EXPLORING 1 JOHN**

Join us for our last “First Wednesday” of the Spring on April 3 at 6 p.m as we welcome Dr. Jen Quigley as a guide to faithfully reading the Johannine Epistles. During Easter, 1 John will orient us in our seasonal focus: “Love is the Way.” Dr. Quigley was a regular teacher throughout our journey of “Reading the Bible Through the Year,” and we are grateful to share in her wisdom again before she takes a role with the New Testament faculty at Candler School of Theology this Summer. Dinner and the event will both take place in McWhirter Hall with dinner beginning at 5:15 p.m. RSVP at [westendumc.org/firstwednesday](http://westendumc.org/firstwednesday).

## **PARENTS NIGHT OUT :: APRIL 12**

West End Kids is hosting a Parents Night Out on Friday, April 12 from 5:30-8 p.m. in McWhirter Hall. We’ll have pizza dinner, games, and a movie night for the kids, while parents can have a night out! A suggested donation of \$10 per child which will go to Open Table Nashville, one of our ministry partners who works with people experiencing homelessness in Nashville.

Please register by April 10 at [westendumc.org/pno](http://westendumc.org/pno). Dinner groups for parents during Parents Night Out are also being coordinated. If you are interested in participating in one of those groups, you can indicate that on the registration form.

## **NEW MEMBER CLASS :: APRIL 14**

If you are new to West End UMC and have questions about what it means to be a United Methodist or would like to become an official member of the church, consider attending the next New Members Class! The spring session will begin Sunday, April 14 from 9:45 am - 10:45 am, and continue four consecutive weeks. During the class we’ll get to know each other, hear a brief history of the West End congregation, and will take a deep dive into what it means to join this congregation. Register for class at [westendumc.org/membership](http://westendumc.org/membership), or email Rev. Shannon Baxter at [sbaxter@westendumc.org](mailto:sbaxter@westendumc.org).

## **REGIONAL MISSION TRIP TO SAGER BROWN :: APRIL 13-20**

We are going to the UMCOR Sager Brown depot in Baldwin, Louisiana April 13-20! We’d love for you to come with us as we serve the community and bring down our hygiene kits, cleaning kits, and menstruation kits that have made this year. We’ll assist at the depot, do projects around town, and learn about our connectional response to disasters around the globe through the good work of UMCOR. We will have a free day to explore New Orleans as well. Register here at [westendumc.org/sagerbrown](http://westendumc.org/sagerbrown).

## **TAIZE SERVICE OF PRAYER AND HEALING :: APRIL 21**

Our Taize Services of Prayer and Healing combine a relatively new form of worship with very old ritual to create a time of quiet and calm, which is focused on healing for our mind, bodies, spirit and world. Remaining true to the form of prayer worship developed in the community of Taize in recent decades, our services include singing, silence, reading of scripture and spoken prayer. The addition of the ancient tradition of anointing with oil and the laying on of hands enhances the time of prayer and brings the clear intention of healing. Our next Taize service will be Sunday, April 21 at 5 p.m.

## **WEST END FAMILY MEET UP :: APRIL 28**

Join us for the next West End Family Meet Up at Tailgate Brewery at 5 p.m. on April 28. We’d love to see current and visiting families for fun, food, games, and fellowship! 7300 Charlotte Pike, Nashville, TN 37209

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

♦ **Memorials Acknowledgment Coordinator** - A few times a month, an individual is needed to hand write memorial acknowledgments that are sent to the grieving family in the form of a card. Acknowledgments are also sent to people who are not members of our church who send in memorial donations. The stationery and stamps are provided. This would be a good opportunity for someone who wants to participate in a ministry that is very important and meaningful but not physically challenging. Training will be provided. Contact Cindy Siemer at [csiemer@westendumc.org](mailto:csiemer@westendumc.org).

## **WEST END PRESCHOOL OPENINGS**

Our Preschool has immediate openings in the PreK Classroom (DOB September 2018-August 2019). If you are interested in a tour or to learn more, contact Christina Shoptaw at [cshoptaw@westendumc.org](mailto:cshoptaw@westendumc.org).

## **ACCESS YOUR REALM ACCOUNT**

Realm is our church membership database, and each person can have their own profile that will allow you the ability to update your information, communicate with your small groups and more. If you do not have a Realm profile yet, visit [westendumc.org/realms](http://westendumc.org/realms) to request an email invitation today.

## YOUTH 2024 SERVICE TRIP

We have ONE incredible youth service trip together this summer to serve at Hinton Rural Life Center in rural North Carolina June 2-7. Hinton Rural Life Center is a mission outreach center affiliated with the United Methodist Church in the Appalachian Mountains of Western North Carolina, where guests can retreat, reflect, renew and serve. If you've never gone on a mission trip before this is a great experience to join! It's an incredible way to get plugged into our community and learn more about serving alongside others on your faith journey! Register online at [westendumc.org/missiontrip](https://westendumc.org/missiontrip).

## LET'S GO HIKING!

All current 6th-12th graders are invited to join us June 28-July 3 as we hike with Wilderness Trail Ministries together! WT has been taking youth and adults on backpacking trips for over 20 years. This experience is WAY more than just backpacking - we will also experience servant leadership, what it means to be a part of the body of Christ, overcoming challenges, self-worth and unconditional love. Wilderness Trail provides the food, tents, backpacks, group building activities and where we hike for the week. Register now at [westendumc.org/wilderness-trail-backpacking](https://westendumc.org/wilderness-trail-backpacking).

## DO YOU GET OUR ENEWS?

Do you get out weekly Monday Meditation or Friday eNews? Lots of information is sent straight to your inbox each week. Don't miss out. Keep in the loop by signing up now at [westendumc.org/eneews](https://westendumc.org/eneews).

## 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.

♦ **Adult and Youth Sensory Bags** - We have sensory bags at each sanctuary entrance for adults and youth. If this is a need of yours, feel free to grab a bag and return it to the cart at the end of the service. Our intention is to make our service welcoming for all individuals with the hope that you feel equipped for a fulfilling worship experience.

♦ **Assistive Listening Devices** - There are assisted listening devices available for anyone who may need them. They can be found in the Narthex or in Reed Hall.



**VBS 2024**  
June 10-13 ♦ 5-7:15 pm  
3 years old by June - rising 5th grade

**westendumc.org/vbs2024**

The graphic features a cartoon bee character on the left, a cabin with a red roof and a campfire in the center, and a tent on the right. The background is a dark blue night sky with mountains and trees. The text 'Camp Firelight' is written in a stylized font, with 'A SUMMER CAMP' and 'Psalm 56:3' below it, and 'ADVENTURE WITH GOD' on a banner at the bottom.

## Creation Care Recycle Day

**Saturday, May 4**  
9 a.m. to Noon ♦ Rain or Shine



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