*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING



Words: Albert F. Bayly, alt.

Music: GENEVA 124 - Genevan Psalter

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

* **HYMN** Bring Forth the Kingdom

See Insert

CLOSING MUSIC

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher
Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Liturgists
Reverend Michael Mumme
Reverend Michael Mumme
Reverend Cathy Stone
Alan Stephens

Music Director/Organist
Scott Davis



Extravagant GENEROSITY

INSPIRED BY VISION

October 23, 2016 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME

Because we believe that every human being is a beloved child of God, on a journey to God, with God, we welcome ALL persons, *without exception*, to attend, join, and participate fully in the life of this church. For a description of our worship services at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. on Sundays and at 6:30 a.m. on Thursdays, visit our website at fumcaustin.org.

FAMILY ROOM

For parents with infants and toddlers, our Family Room, located in the balcony, offers rockers, books, toys, and a comfortable place for diaper changes. Childcare provided by our well-trained childcare staff is also available in Room 103 and 104 of the Education Building. Please ask an usher for assistance.

SUNDAY PARKING

For mobility-impaired individuals as well as those needing close-in parking, reserved handicap and accessible parking spaces are designated by signage along the wall of the Trial Lawyers' building. All able-bodied members are asked to use the free parking in the Trial Lawyer's garage at the southwest corner of 13th and Lavaca Streets, at open meters around the church, and on the roof top of the TSTA garage on 12th Street.

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GATHERING AS THE CHURCH

Asterisks (*) indicate an invitation to stand as you are able.

OPENING MUSIC

GREETING

All are invited to greet those around them and to sign in the white folders as a way of offering our presence to God.

Response: I was glad when they said to me,

"Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

Psalm 122:1

ENTERING THE HOLY

INTROIT

As Those of Old English Folk Melody
Their Firstfruits Brought Arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

As those of old their firstfruits brought of vineyard, flock, and field to God, the giver of all good, the source of bounteous yield.

A world in need now summons us to labor, love, and give, to make our life an offering to God that all may live.

With gratitude and humble trust we bring our best to you, not just to serve your cause, but share your love with neighbors too.

The church of Christ is calling us to make that dream come true: a world redeemed by Christ-like love, all life in Christ made new.

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Anyone who thirsts, come and drink!

If you have no money but you're hungry,
come and receive wine and milk without a price tag.

Why do you spend money on what does not nourish you?

Why do you work for what does not nurture you?

Listen, come and eat healthy food that will delight you.

Come and partake in the Spirit that will give you life.

Become a witness of God's free gift of grace to all people.

Our God will raise you up, transform you, and make you shine!

* **HYMN** All Are Welcome See Insert

OPENING PRAYER

ANTHEM

Joyful, Joyful

Ludwig van Beethoven Arr. Matt Huesmann

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness: drive the dark of doubt away; giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!. Mortals, join the happy chorus, which the morning stars began; Father love is reigning o'er us, Brother love binds man to man. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife, joyful music leads us Sunward in the triumph song of life. Henry van Dyke

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

* GOSPEL READING Matthew 14:13-21

New Testament, page 15

HYMN Giving God, We Pause and Wonder See Insert Stanzas 1 and 2, sung seated, as the children come forward.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

HYMN Giving God, We Pause and Wonder See Insert Stanzas 3 and 4, sung seated, as the children return to their seats.

SERMON Inspired By Vision

VIDEO What Do You Hope to See Happen In the Coming Year?

RESPONDING IN FAITH

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO THE FAITH JOURNEY

Worship leads us to make commitments to God. All are called by God to give generously in response to God's generosity and to support the work God is doing through the Church. If your response involves taking a first step to become a follower of Christ and/or a member of this church, fill out the First Steps card clipped to the pew back and place it in the offering plate. The next First Steps class will be Sunday, November 6, from 12:15 to 2:00 p.m.

OFFERTORY Hymn Of Consecration

David A. Wehr

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.

Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing always, only for my King.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.

Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord,

I pour at thy feet its treasure-store.

Take myself, and I will be only, all for thee!

Frances R. Havergal, alt.