

## 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.

## GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

*We commune by intinction, i.e., by dipping the bread lightly in the cup. After you have communed, you may return directly to your seat or kneel at the rail for prayer and then return.*

*If you would like to be served in your seat, please let an usher know that, or ask someone sitting near you to communicate that to the servers.*

*Gluten-free wafers and cups are available at the left (north) side station. As you approach the servers, please indicate that you would like to receive a wafer.*

## COMMUNION RAIL OFFERING

*It is a United Methodist custom to receive a freewill love offering, over and above our regular giving, at the communion rail. Today, all gifts left on the rail will go to our Feed My People Breakfast Program.*

## COMMUNION HYMNS

632 I Come with Joy  
 632 Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether  
 164 Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

## PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this Holy Mystery,  
 in which you have given yourself to us.  
 Grant that we may go into the world,  
 in the strength of your Spirit,  
 to give ourselves for others,  
 through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
 Amen.

## GOING OUT TO SERVE

### RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

#### \* BENEDICTION

#### \* HYMN I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

1. I have de - cid - ed to fol - low  
 2. The world be - hind me, the cross be -  
 3. Though none go with me, still I will

Je - sus, I have de - cid - ed to fol - low  
 fore me, the world be - hind me, the cross be -  
 fol - low, though none go with me, still I will

Je - sus, I have de - cid - ed to fol - low  
 fore me, the world be - hind me, the cross be -  
 fol - low, though none go with me, still I will

Je - sus, no turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.  
 fore me, no turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.  
 fol - low, no turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.

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#### CLOSING MUSIC

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#### ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by Tom Ausley in honor of Robbie Ausley on their 53rd wedding anniversary.

#### WORSHIP LEADERS

*Preacher*  
 Reverend Taylor Fuerst  
*Liturgists and Communion*  
 Reverend Michael Mumme  
 Reverend Cathy Stone  
 2017 Confirmation Class  
*Music Director/Organist*  
 Scott Davis



## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

April 2, 2017  
 11:00 a.m.

## WELCOME

Because we believe that every person is a beloved child of God, on a journey to God, with God, we welcome ALL people, *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](http://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 and at open meters around the church.

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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 fill out the Communication Card. During Lent you are invited to write prayers for new life for yourself, for others, for our world on the paper butterflies available in the pews. Place your Communication Card and butterflies in the offering plate.*

*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

This is the Hour of  
Banquet and of Song

Sidney Watson

This is the hour of banquet and of song;  
this is the heavenly table spread for me;  
here let me feast, and feasting still prolong  
the brief, bright hour of fellowship with thee.  
Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,  
yet, passing, points to the glad feast above,  
giving us foretaste of the festal joy,  
the Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

Horatius Bonner

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

In the presence of God, we gather.  
**People burdened and looking for comfort,  
whose spirits need a makeover.**  
Like little children, we surround God.  
**Hoping for that touch which will refresh us;  
longing to be embraced in arms of love.**  
We look and find a feast has been prepared for us.  
**Bread which will give us life anew;  
the cup which overflows with grace and hope.**

\* HYMN 529      How Firm a Foundation

#### OPENING PRAYER

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 7:21-29

New Testament, page 7

#### SERMON

Obedience

#### INVITATION TO THE FAITH JOURNEY

*Are you interested in joining FUMC? Prior to joining the church, we ask all to participate in a First Steps Class to learn about Methodist beliefs and the ministry of FUMC, meet the pastors and other members, and ask questions. To sign up, fill out the Communication Card during worship and place it in the offering plate. The next First Steps Class is Sunday, June 4, at 12:15 p.m. in Garrison Chapel of the Family Life Center.*

## FEASTING AT THE TABLE OF GRACE

#### CONFESSION

O God, you bring justice to the oppressed  
and give bread to the hungry.

**Forgive us when we do not follow you.**

You free the prisoner  
and restore sight to the blind.

**Forgive us when we do not follow you.**

You support the downtrodden  
and protect the stranger.

**Forgive us when we do not follow you.**

You block evildoers  
and help orphans and widows.

**Forgive us when we do not follow you.**

You stand against injustice.  
You stand with the wronged.

**Forgive us when we do not follow you.**

You condemn those who seek their own interests,  
controlling and harming others.

**Forgive us when we do not follow you.**

You bring about justice and true peace among people.

**God, forgive us when we do not follow you.**

**Grant us your grace.**

**Embolden us that, as your people,  
we may stand where you stand.**

### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

#### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God's life-giving Word and Spirit,  
enable us to live in a new obedience,  
opening new possibilities of life  
for society and the world.

Thanks be to God for the Good News:  
In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**In Jesus Christ, we are all forgiven.**

**Thanks be to God.**

**Amen.**

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#### OFFERING

God So Loved the World

John Stainer

God so loved the world  
that he gave his only begotten Son,  
that whoso believeth in him should not perish,  
but have everlasting life.

For God sent not his Son into the world  
to condemn the world;  
but that the world through him  
might be saved.

John 3:16,17

#### \* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

Bless thou the gifts our hands have brought; bless  
thou the work our hearts have planned. Ours  
is the faith, the will, the thought; the  
rest, O God, is in thy hand.

Words: Samuel Longfellow

Music: DEUS TUORUM MILITUM - *Grenoble Antiphoner*; adapt. by Ralph Vaughan Williams

#### \* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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