

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 power of your Spirit,
 to give ourselves for others,
 through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
 Amen.

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN Sent Out in Jesus' Name

Sent out in Je- sus' name, our hands are rea- dy now to
 make the earth the place in which the king- dom comes. The
 an- gels can- not change a world of hurt and pain in-
 to a world of love, of jus- tice and of peace. The
 task is ours to do, to set it real- ly free. O
 help us to o- bey and car- ry out your will.

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CLOSING MUSIC

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THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
 March 19, 2017
 9:00 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.

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.

Making Disciples...Making a Difference
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ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by Richard and Marilyn Bettis in celebration of their 16th wedding anniversary.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Liturgists

Reverend Michael Mumme
 Rebecca Yohe

Communion

Noble and Sharon Doss
 Leonard Reese and Rebecca Yohe

Music Director/Organist
 Scott Davis

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.

ENTERING THE HOLY

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Lift up your voice and call out to God.

We cry out, believing that God hears us.

Come together and wait for God.

We come together, trusting that God is still speaking.

Surely God's presence is here with us now.

We wait in hope, for God's steadfast love lifts our hearts.

Come, worship the Lord.

We celebrate the power of God that restores us.

* HYMN

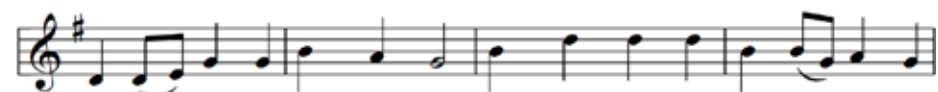
God Is Waiting at the Table



1. God is wait - ing at the ta - ble with a feast for
2. God is wait - ing at the ta - ble, as we wan - der
3. God is wait - ing at the ta - ble and the mu - sic



us to share, while we search for guests to join us
through the street look - ing for the lost and hun - gry,
has be - gun. In the joy - ful cel - e - bra - tion



as we gath - er and pre - pare. Do we won - der who is wor - thy,
call - ing them to come and eat. Some - times we be - gin to ar - gue,
there is room for ev - 'ry - one. In the street out - side the par - ty



pure e - nough to be a guest? If per - fec - tion
how to judge each per - son's place. But if we would
are the ones whose stub - born pride won't per - mit the



is the stan - dard, who could pass our le - gal test?
fol - low Je - sus, then our meas - ure must be grace.
risk of danc - ing with the "sin - ners" now in - side.

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Music: HOLY MANNA - William Moore

OPENING PRAYER

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:38-48

New Testament, page 5

SERMON

Say What?

RESPONDING IN FAITH

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, March 26, at 12:15 p.m. in Garrison Chapel of the Family Life Center.

OFFERING

Give Me Jesus

Jaimie Lowe

Traditional Spiritual

Arr. Moses Hogan

In the morning when I rise, give me Jesus;
you may have all this world, give me Jesus.
Dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus.
Oh, when I come to die, give me Jesus.

* 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

FEASTING AT THE TABLE OF GRACE

* INVITATION TO THE TABLE

In The United Methodist Church, everyone is welcome at the Lord's Table. It does not matter whether you are a member of this or any church. We welcome all, regardless of age or situation in life.

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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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 the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR).

COMMUNION HYMNS

Hymn

Let Us Be Bread

Cantor sings the stanzas and all join in singing this refrain:



Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord, bro - ken and



shared, life for the world. Let us be wine, love free - ly



poured. Let us be one in the Lord.

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