

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING



Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and
voi - ces, who won - drous things hath done, in
whom his world re - joi - ces; who from our mo-ther's arms hath
blessed us on our way with count-less gifts of love, and
still is ours to - day. A - men, a - men.

Words: Martin Rinckart; trans. by Catherine Winkworth

Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTTE -Johann Cruger

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN 436 The Voice of God Is Calling

CLOSING MUSIC

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Cathy Stone

Liturgist

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Music Director/Organist

Scott Davis

NEXT SUNDAY

June 4

Pentecost Sunday

Reverend Taylor Fuerst, *preacher*

Was This Really a Good Idea, God?

Acts 2:1-21 and John 20:19-23



SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 28, 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.

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.

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 I Will Worship You, Lord

Daniel Gardner
Arr. Scott Davis

I will worship you, Lord with all of my might,
I will praise you with a psalm;
I will praise you all day long.
For thou, O Lord, art glorious,
and thy name is greatly to be praised;
may our hearts be pure and holy in thy sight
as we worship you with all of our might.
We will worship you, Lord with all of my might,
we will praise you with a psalm;
we will praise you all day long.

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* CALL TO WORSHIP

Here in this place, there are no foreigners,
for all are welcome in God's house.
Here in our worship, there is only acceptance,
for love is the language of faith.
Here in our lives, there are no divisions,
for God dwells in each of us.
Come, let us worship in unity and love.

Adapted from The Abingdon Worship Annual 2012

* HYMN 660 God is Here

OPENING PRAYER

ANTHEM O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee
(Words: Hymn 430)

H. Percy Smith
Arr. Scott Davis

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Ruth 1:1-22 Old Testament, page 235

HYMN God of the Women
Stanzas 1 and 2 sung seated as children come forward.



1. God of the wo - men who an - sw'ered your call,
2. God of the wo - men who walked Je - sus' Way,
3. God of the wo - men long put to the test,
4. God of the wo - men who ran from the tomb,
5. O God of Phoe - be and min - is - ters all,



trust - ing your prom - i - ses, giv - ing their all,
giv - ing their re - sourc - es, learn - ing to pray,
left out of stor - ies, for - got - ten, op - pressed,
prayed with the oth - ers in that up - per room,
may we be joy - ful in an - sw'ring your call.



wo - men like Sar - ah and Han - nah and Ruth -
Ma - ry, Jo - an - na, Su - san - na, and more -
qui - et - ly ask - ing: "Who smiled at my birth?" -
then felt your Spir - it on Pen - te - cost Day -
Give us the strength of your Spir - it so near



give us their cour - age to live in your truth.
may we give free - ly as they did be - fore.
in Je - sus' dy - ing you show us our worth.
may we so glad - ly pro - claim you to - day.
that we may share in your min - is - try here.

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

HYMN God of the Women
Stanzas 3, 4, and 5 sung seated as children return to their seats.

SERMON When Life Lets You Down

RESPONDING IN FAITH

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A time of silence is kept after each petition.

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

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.

OFFERING With Heart and Hands John Rutter

For all the blessings you have granted us,
Lord, give us thankful hearts, we pray:
for life and health and happiness,
and for the gift of each new day;
for all our families and loved ones,
the friends we meet along our way;
we thank you, Lord, they are your gifts;
Lord, we praise you, Lord, we bless you,
in your service let us all your love repay.
Look all around you, you'll see a miracle or two;
every valley hill and mountain is calling to you.
For all the wonders of creation,
a world whose marvels we behold:
where winter turns to spring again;
the changing scenes of life unfold,
but there is One who never changes;
through all eternity the same,
be with us, Lord, for evermore:
Alleluia, Lord we praise you Holy Name.

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