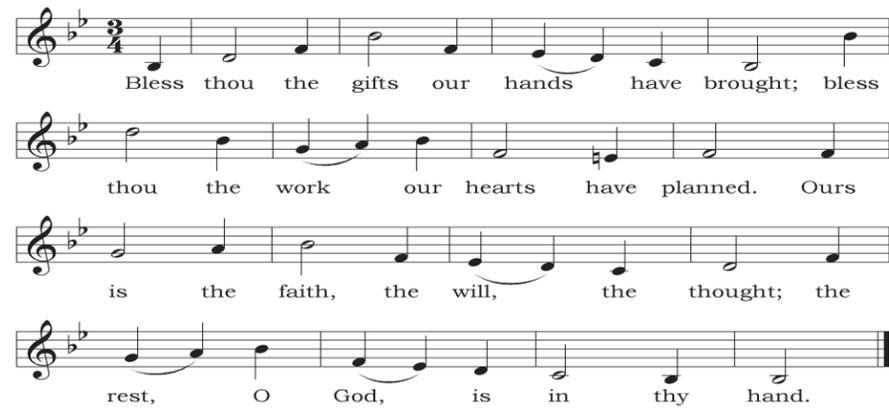


* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING



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

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* CLOSING LITANY

In the hours and days and week ahead,
Christ goes with us, leading the way.

Where Christ leads, we will follow.

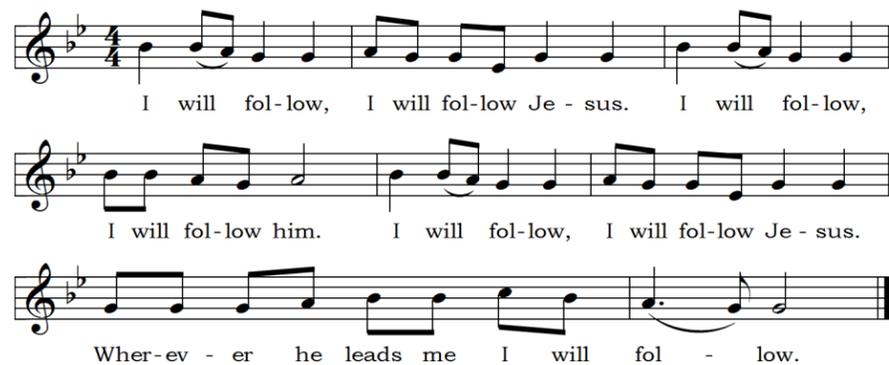
Let us journey together to the cross.

Where Christ leads, we will follow.

* HYMN

I Will Follow

*Sung first by cantor, then joined by choir and congregation.
All are invited to leave in silence as we enter the holiest of weeks
in the Christian Year.*



I will fol-low, I will fol-low Je - sus. I will fol-low,
I will fol-low him. I will fol-low, I will fol-low Je - sus.
Wher-ev - er he leads me I will fol - low.

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CLOSING MUSIC



WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Liturgists

Reverend Michael Mumme

Reverend Cathy Stone

Daviss King

Music Director/Organist

Scott Davis

Associate Music Director

Wendi Olinger

Handbell Director

Shirley Derryberry

Children's Choir Accompanist

Sallie Novinger

PALM SUNDAY

April 9, 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 Fanfare on ST. THEODULPH
“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” Arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

With palm branches and joy, we shout:

“Hosanna to Christ our Lord!”

With blessings and songs we come:

to worship and to praise.

With humility and love,

Christ comes to meet us now.

* **HYMN 280** All Glory, Laud, and Honor

OPENING PRAYER

ANTHEM Hosanna to the Lord Becki Slagle Mayo

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna to the Lord!
All glory, laud and honor, to you, Redeemer, King;
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
The Hebrew children welcomed you,
with palms before you went.
Our prayer and praise and anthems before you we present.
Sing Hosanna in the highest!
Sing Hosanna to the Lord!

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

HYMN I Will Follow

The congregation remains seated to sing while the children return to their seats.

I will fol-low, I will fol-low Je - sus. I will fol-low,
I will fol-low him. I will fol-low, I will fol-low Je - sus.
Wher - ev - er he leads me I will fol - low.

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HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 21:1-11

New Testament, page 21

Matthew 7:13-20

New Testament, page 6

SERMON 2 and 10

RESPONDING IN FAITH

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

Ride On! THE KING'S MAJESTY
Ride On In Majesty! Graham George

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry;
thy humble beast pursues his road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
over captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
The angel armies of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
the Father on his sapphire throne
expects his own anointed Son.

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

Henry Hart Milman