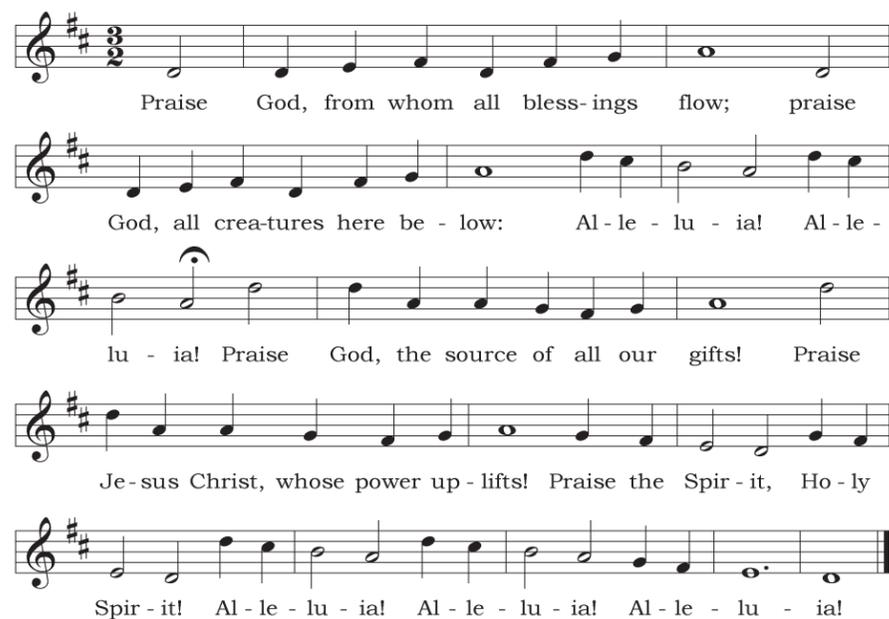


* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

As we sing the following, those with birthdays in July are invited to come forward for a prayer of blessing.



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise
God, all creatures here below: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-
lu-ia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise
Je-sus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise the Spir-it, Ho-ly
Spir-it! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

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Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN - Geistliche Kirchengesänge; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams

* BIRTHDAY BLESSING

Let us pray:

God, our gracious Creator,

we give you thanks for the gift of life

to these who celebrate their birthdays in July.

Grant that they may make this new year in their lives

an offering that will enrich your world

and give you glory.

Cause them to grow in wisdom and grace

and strengthen their trust in your goodness

all the days of their lives; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Book of Common Prayer, 1979, alt.

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN 733 Marching to Zion

CLOSING MUSIC

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ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed on the altar by Bill and Shirley Derryberry in celebration of their 43rd wedding anniversary and in celebration of their family's July birthdays.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Michael Mumme

Liturgists

Reverend Cathy Stone

Daviss King

Music Director/Organist

Scott Davis

JULY WORSHIP

God made preachers with a variety of gifts and callings, and voices uniquely tuned to help us hear God's word in new and fresh ways! Come to worship in July, as we hear God's Word proclaimed from a variety of voices, with a different preacher each week!

July 16

Reverend Cathy Stone

Associate Pastor

July 23

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Senior Pastor

July 30

Reverend Brad Fuerst

Pastor of Lutheran Campus Ministry at UT and spouse of

Reverend Taylor Fuerst



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 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

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 We Sing to You, O God

John Darwall

We sing to you, O God,
the Rock who gave us birth,
let our rejoicing sing your name
in all the earth.

To you, O God,
let songs be raised,
in joyful hymns, our feast of praise.

O God, eternal God,
we hide within your wings,
the everlasting arms to whom our praises ring.
Your word is true, your way is just,
you are the God in whom we trust.

Garcia Grindal

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* CALL TO WORSHIP

God is in our midst,
forming us to be God’s own people.

**Though the way may be difficult,
God will be with us.**

We need not fear.

**In the Lord we will take our refuge,
for God is our strength.**

Come to the Lord
who will surround you with God’s own love.

**Lord, open our hearts and our spirits
so that we may faithfully follow you.**

Amen.

Nancy C. Townley

* **HYMN 127** Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

OPENING PRAYER

ANTHEM O God Beyond All Praising

Gustav Holst

O God, beyond all praising, we worship you today
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder at every gift you send,
at blessings without number and mercies without end:
We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your Word,
we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.
Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,
that we who know your favor may serve you as our king;
and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
we’ll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:
To marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty our sacrifice or praise.

Michael Perry

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HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 14:1-7

New Testament, page 103

HYMN 521 I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

Stanzas 1 and 2 sung seated as children come forward.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

HYMN 521 I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

Stanza 3 sung seated as children return to their seats.

SERMON

Ultreya et Suseia!
(Onward and Upward!)

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

re you interested in joining FUMC? Prior to joining, 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, September 10, at 12:15 p.m. in Garrison Chapel of the Family Life Center.

OFFERING The First Song of Isaiah

Jack Noble White

Surely, it is God who saves me;

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,
and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing
from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say,

give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name.

Make his deeds known among the peoples;

see that they remember that his name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord,

for he has done great things,

and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud inhabitants of Zion,

ring out your joy,

for the great one in the midst of you

is the Holy one of Israel.

The Book of Common Prayer

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