

RECEIVING 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 will go to our Feed My People Breakfast Program.

COMMUNION HYMNS

307 Christ Is Risen

Sing Alleluia to the Lord



1. Sing al - le - lu - ia to the Lord!
2. Lift up your hearts un - to the Lord!
3. In Christ the world has been re - deemed!
4. His res - ur - rec - tion sets us free!
5. There - fore we cel - e - brate the feast!
6. Sing al - le - lu - ia to the Lord!



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Words and Music: Linda Stassen

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PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

You have given yourself to us, O Lord.

Now we give ourselves for others.

You have raised us with Christ,
and made us a new people.

**As people of the resurrection,
we will serve you with joy.**

Your glory has filled our hearts.

Help us to glorify you with all our lives.

Amen.

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN The Summons See Insert

CLOSING MUSIC

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WORSHIP LEADERS

The flowers are placed on the altar by Mack Hicks and Julie Nelson in celebration of their 16th wedding anniversary.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Cathy Stone

Liturgists

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Reverend Michael Mumme

Gail Dalrymple

Communion

Chip and Jan Morris

Leonard Reese and Rebecca Yohe

Cantor

Michael Carrillo

Quartet

Jan Morris

Linda Murdock

Tom Richardson

Dan Wood

Violin

Evelyn Gullatt

Piano

Susannah Willms

COMMUNION MUSIC

Words: Traditional, alt.

Music: EASTER HYMN - Lyra Davidica



CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

April 23, 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.

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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.

ENTERING THE HOLY

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We have not seen the risen Christ,
but we see him in the lives

of those transformed by grace.

We have not seen Jesus face-to-face,

but we have seen him in the faces

of everyone whose love encourages us.

We have not touched the wounds from the cross,

but we have been called

to bring healing to the scarred of the world.

Thom Schuman

* HYMN 311 Now the Green Blade Riseth

OPENING PRAYER

Living God,

you appeared to your disciples in their hour of fear,
and offered them your peace to still their hearts.

May we open our arms

to be living hope in the world today,

bringing peace to those living in fear.

Give us courage to be bold in what we believe;

may we hold firm to your promise of life and hope,

and strive for a new world,

free from poverty, injustice, and conflict.

Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 20:19-31

New Testament, Page 110

SERMON

In Order to Believe

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, June 4, at 12:15 p.m. in Garrison Chapel of the Family Life Center.

OFFERING

You Are Mine

David Haas

I will come to you in the silence,

I will lift you from all your fear.

You will hear my voice,

I claim you as my choice;

be still, and know I am near.

I am hope for all who are hopeless,

I am eyes for all who long to see.

In the shadows of the night,

I will be your light,

come and rest in me.

Do not be afraid, I am with you.

I have called you each by name.

Come and follow me,

I will bring you home;

I love you and you are mine.

I am strength for all the despairing,

healing for the ones who dwell in shame.

All the blind will see,

the lame will all run free,

and all will know my name.

I am the Word that leads all to freedom,

I am the peace the world cannot give

I will call your name,

embracing all your pain,

stand up, now, walk, and live.

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* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING



Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow; praise



God, all crea - tures here be - low: Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is



ris - en! 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! Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN - Geistliche Kirchengesänge; harm. 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

See Insert

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.