

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. All gifts left on the rail will go to Mission Projects During Vacation Bible School.

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 strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN 664 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

CLOSING MUSIC

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ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by David B. Mauzy II in memory of his parents, D. Bart Mauzy (February 20, 1929–July 16, 1967) and Lee Mauzy (July 11, 1929–July 16, 1967).

FOYER FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by Curt and Debbie Shaw in honor of Rob and Leslie Ivey on their 18th wedding anniversary.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Cathy Stone

Liturgists

Reverend Michael Mumme

Bryan Black

Communion

Bryan and Suzanne Black

Peggy Davis

Doise Miers

Music Director/Organist

Scott Davis



SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 16, 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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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 Sunday!

July 23

Reverend Michael Mumme
Executive Pastor

July 30

Reverend Brad Fuerst
*Pastor of Lutheran Campus Ministry at UT
and spouse of Reverend Taylor Fuerst*

GATHERING AS THE CHURCH

Asterisks () indicate an invitation to stand as you are able.*

OPENING MUSIC

GREETING

ENTERING THE HOLY

* CALL TO WORSHIP

God's creation delights and astonishes.

Let the people pause and wonder!

God, the Creator, has made it all.

Let all creation shout and sing!

Alleluia!

* HYMN 529 How Firm a Foundation

OPENING PRAYER

HEARING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 New Testament, page 13

SERMON Seeds of Hope

RESPONDING IN FAITH

INVITATION TO THE FAITH JOURNEY

Are 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

Blessed Am I Johann Sebastian Bach
That I Have Jesus (BWV 147)

Blest am I that I have Jesus,
essence of my heart, its hope;
Jesus brings my soul refreshment
he is of my life its strength.
I have Jesus, who doth love me,
for he is my joy and treasure;
therefore I will Jesus not
from my heart and sight allow.

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise
God, all crea-tures here be - low: 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

FEASTING AT THE TABLE OF GRACE

* 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.

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 HYMN

629 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

628 Eat This Bread