

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

614 For the Bread Which You Have Broken

628 Eat This Bread

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 694 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

CLOSING MUSIC

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ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed on the altar by Injun Yu in memory of his mother, Bok Ju Kim.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Michael Mumme

Liturgists

Reverend Cathy Stone

Glenn and Suzanne Karisch

Communion Servers

Glenn and Suzanne Karisch

Chip and Jan Morris

Cantor

Michael Carrillo

Singers

Linda Murdock

Jan Morris

Piano

Susannah Willms

Violin

Evelyn Gullatt

NEXT SUNDAY

Reverend Brad Fuerst, preaching

Pastor of Lutheran Campus Ministry at UT and spouse of

Reverend Taylor Fuerst



SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 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

ENTERING THE HOLY

* CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord knows each and every one of us
and loves each one dearly.

Yet, sometimes it feels

as though God has drifted away from us.

Be strong!

Look for the ways in which God is present to you.

Given all the troubles of the day,

we often look more closely at them.

Come, open your hearts and spirits

to God's love and presence

Lord, help us to see your presence in all of life.

Amen.

* HYMN

Gather Us In

See Insert

OPENING PRAYER

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 13:24-29

New Testament, page 13

John 15:1-8

New Testament, page 104

SERMON

Wheat & Weeds - Vine & Branches

RESPONDING IN FAITH

WORLD METHODIST SOCIAL AFFIRMATION

We believe in God, creator of the world and of all people;

and in Jesus Christ, incarnate among us,

who died and rose again;

and in the Holy Spirit,

present with us to guide, strengthen, and comfort.

We believe;

God, help our unbelief.

We rejoice in every sign of God's kingdom:

in the upholding of human dignity and community;

in every expression of love, justice, and reconciliation;

in each act of self-giving on behalf of others;

in the abundance of God's gifts

entrusted to us that all may have enough;

in all responsible use of the earth's resources.

Glory be to God on high;

and on earth, peace.

We confess our sin, individual and collective,

by silence or action:

through the violation of human dignity

based on race, class, age, sex, nation, or faith;

through the exploitation of people

because of greed and indifference;

through the misuse of power

in personal, communal, national, and international life;

through the search for security

by those military and economic forces

that threaten human existence;

through the abuse of technology

which endangers the earth and all life upon it.

Lord, have mercy;

Christ, have mercy;

Lord, have mercy.

We commit ourselves individually and as a community

to the way of Christ:

to take up the cross;

to seek abundant life for all humanity;

to struggle for peace with justice and freedom;

to risk ourselves in faith, hope, and love,

praying that God's kingdom may come.

Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven.

Amen

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

I Am The Vine

Bob Hurd

I am the vine, you are the branches.

Remain in me, you shall be fruitful.

Love for the world, hope for the hopeless.

If you love, then you must root yourself.

For the branch will fail and die without the tree.

I am the vine, you are the branches.

Remain in me, you shall be fruitful.

Love for the world, hope for the hopeless.

If you give, you must give yourself.

For the well will soon run dry without the sea.

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* 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

Lord, let my heart be good soil,
 o - pen to the seed of your Word. Lord, let my heart be
 good soil, where love can grow and peace is un - der - stood.
 When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way.
 When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
 When my heart is lost, lead me on your way. Lord, let my heart,
 Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

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.