

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.

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 September.
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.

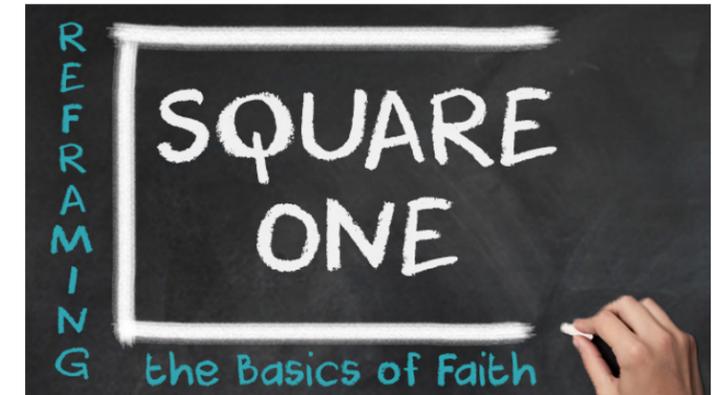
GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN 664 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

CLOSING MUSIC

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**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**
September 10, 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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WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Liturgists

Reverend Michael Mumme

Daviss King

Communion Servers

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Suzanne Karisch

Tucker and Whitney Thurman

Cantor

Michael Carrillo

Piano

Susannah Willms

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Preacher

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Sermon

"Being Church"

Scripture

Matthew 16:13-20

GATHERING AS THE CHURCH

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

OPENING MUSIC

GREETING

ENTERING THE HOLY

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Beloved ones,
you are created by God.
**We are God's handiwork,
woven together in love.**

Beloved ones,
you are bent by the power of sin.

**We cannot save ourselves
from the darkness of this world.**

Beloved ones,
you have been made alive again in Christ.

**Now we are free
to join in God's mission of redemption.**

Let us worship the God
who creates, redeems, and sustains our lives!

* HYMN 660 God Is Here

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Ashalia Joan and Jaya Allie Ezekiel
Daughters of Bennett and Meisa Ezekiel

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 139: 1-18, 23-24 Old Testament, page 104
Genesis 1:24-31 Old Testament, page 112

SERMON We The People: Humanity

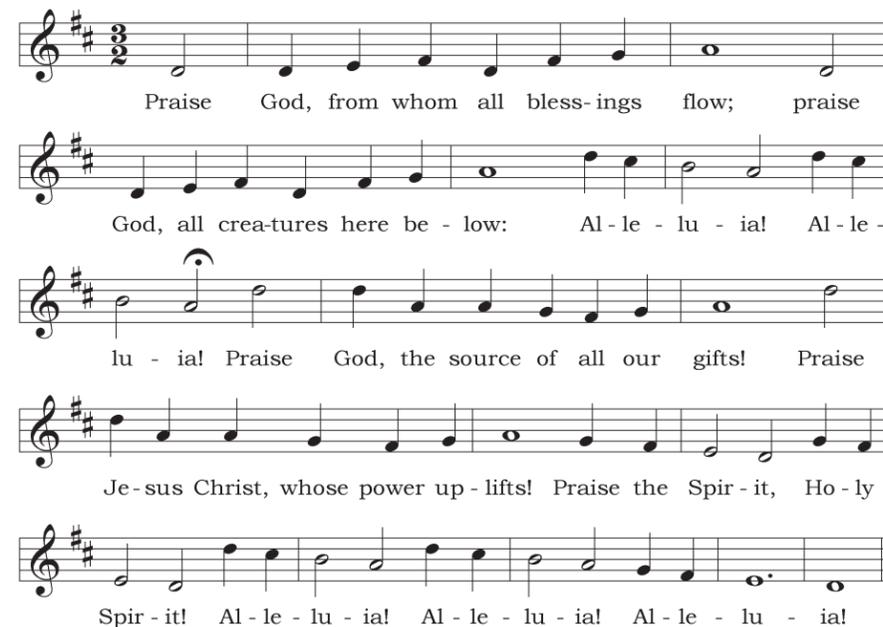
RESPONDING IN FAITH

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 today at 12:15 p.m. in Garrison Chapel of the Family Life Center.

OFFERING God, Who Stretched HOLY MANNA
the Spangled Heavens Arr. Cathy Mocklebust
Suzanne Barnard and Michael Carrillo

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING



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

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 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 left on the rail will go to our missionary, Willie Berman, and Manos Juntas. For more information, see the cover of the FUMC Weekly.

COMMUNION HYMNS

623 Here, O My Lord, I See Thee
593 Here I Am, Lord