

COMMUNION HYMNS

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

In the Lord I'll be ev-er thank-ful, in the Lord I will re-

joice! Look to God, do not be a-fraid. Lift up your

voic-es, the Lord is near, lift up your voic-es, the Lord is near.

Taste and See

Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness

of the Lord. O taste and see, taste and see the

good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

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 the World Communion Offering and Refugee Services of Texas.

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 For the Beauty of the Earth Stanzas 1, 2, 5, and 6

CLOSING MUSIC

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher
Reverend Taylor Fuerst
Liturgists
Reverend Michael Mumme and Suzanne Black
Communion Servers
Nancy Arnold, Bryan and Suzanne Black, and Olivia Weldon
Musicians
Michael Carrillo, *Cantor*; Evelyn Gullatt, *violin*; and Susannah Willms, *piano*

WORSHIP MUSIC

Presentation of the Offering
Lord of All Good
Words: Albert F. Bayly, alt.
Music: GENEVA 124 - *Genevan Psalter*

Hymn
In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful
Words and Music: Jacques Berthier
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Extravagant GENEROSITY

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9:00 a.m.

WELCOME

Because we believe that every human being is a beloved child of God, on a journey to God, with God, we welcome ALL persons, *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, at open meters around the church, and on the roof top of the TSTA garage on 12th Street.

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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 sign in the white folders as a way of offering our presence to God.

ENTERING THE HOLY

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to God—worship God!

**For God is great,
and worth a thousand Hallelujahs.**

God made the heavens—
royal splendor radiates from God,
a powerful beauty sets God apart.

**Bravo, God, Bravo!
Everyone join in the great shout: Encore!
In awe before the beauty, in awe before the might.**

Bring gifts and celebrate,
bow before the beauty of God,
everyone worship!

Adapted from Psalm 96

* HYMN All Who Hunger

See Insert

OPENING PRAYER

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**God, source of all light,
by your Word give light to our lives. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 16:9-31

Old Testament, page 61

SERMON “Established in Gratitude”

VIDEO “What Do You Love About First Church?”

RESPONDING IN FAITH

INVITATION TO THE FAITH JOURNEY

Worship leads us to make commitments to God. All are called by God to give generously in response to God's generosity and to support the work God is doing through the Church. If your response involves taking a first step to become a follower of Christ and/or a member of this church, fill out the First Steps card clipped to the pew back and place it in the offering plate. The next First Steps class will be Sunday, November 6, from 12:15 to 2:00 p.m.

OFFERTORY Brethren We Have Met HOLY MANNA
to Worship Arr. Cathy Mocklebust
Suzanne Barnard and Michael Carrillo

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

Lord of all good, our gifts we bring you now;
use them your ho - ly pur-pose to ful - fill.
To - kens of love and pledg-es they shall be
that our whole life is of-fered un - to you;
Lord of all good, our gifts we bring you now.

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 understanding.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God,
we gather today, rich in blessing,
somehow believing that we merit
the wealth and comforts we enjoy.

Forgive us, our God,
for comfortably closing our eyes
to the faces of the poor that stare blankly in our direction.
Lord, have mercy on us.

With bellies full of grain and meat,
we offer token gestures to the hungry in our world
and we feel we have done enough.

Forgive us, God,
for keeping a distance between “us” and “them,”
for closing our ears to the cries of the hungry.
Christ, have mercy on us.

With hands tightly clasping our treasures on earth,
we cannot reach out to our oppressed brothers and sisters
around this world.

Forgive us for clinging to our own possessions
rather than to you.
Unite us with hearts of thanksgiving,
that we may work to ensure freedom and justice for all.
Lord, have mercy on us.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

* 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.**

BREAKING THE BREAD

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.