

# GOING OUT TO SERVE

## \* BENEDICTION

## \* HYMN Sing a New World Into Being



1. Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Sound a bold and  
 2. Sing a new world in - to be - ing where each gen - der,  
 3. Sing a new world in - to be - ing where the home - less  
 4. Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Join the an - cient



hope - ful theme. Find a tune for sil - ent yearn - ings.  
 class and race brings its rain - bow gifts and col - ors  
 find a home, where no chil - dren ev - er hun - ger  
 proph - ets' cry for a time of health and plen - ty



Lend your voice and dare to dream:  
 to God's lim - it - less em - brace;  
 but are filled in God's sha - lom;  
 when all tears have been wiped dry;



dream a church where all who wor - ship  
 where the lines that once di - vid - ed  
 where all peo - ple work for jus - tice,  
 when com - pas - sion flows like wa - ters,



find their lives and loves be - long. Sing a new world  
 form in - stead the ties that bind. Sing a new world  
 where all hate and ven - geance cease. Sing a new world  
 pour - ing balm for all who grieve. Sing a new world



in - to be - ing. Sing as Christ in - spires your song!  
 in - to be - ing: risk trans - form - ing heart and mind!  
 in - to be - ing: raise the har - mo - nies of peace.  
 in - to be - ing: live the prom - ise you be - lieve!

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Music: HYMN TO JOY - Ludwig van Beethoven; arr. by Edward Hodges

## CLOSING MUSIC

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**LAST SUNDAY  
 AFTER THE EPIPHANY**  
 February 11, 2018  
 11:00 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](http://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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## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by Curtis and Mary Higgs in grateful celebration of their 70th wedding anniversary on February 14.

## WORSHIP LEADERS

*Preacher*

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

*Liturgists*

Reverend Michael Mumme

Reverend Cathy Stone

Tom Watkins

*Music Director/Organist*

Scott Davis

*Handbell Director*

Shirley Derryberry

## 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 our the Connections Card.*

*Response:* I was glad when they said to me,  
**“Let us go to the house of the Lord!”**

Psalm 122:1

## ENTERING THE HOLY

**INTROIT** O Heavenly Brightness! Light Divine! Philipp Nicolai

O heavenly brightness! Light divine!  
O deep within our hearts now shine,  
and make thee there an altar!  
Fill us with joy and strength to be  
thy member, ever joined to thee  
in love that cannot falter.

Amen!

Come, Lord Jesus! Crown of gladness,  
here we praise thee,  
here we worship and adore thee!

Philipp Nicolai, alt. trans. Catherine Winkworth

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Something drew us together this morning.

**Something we can't name**

**but which we experience in worship.**

Some holy mystery we call God.

**Some sacred calling we hear in the life of Jesus.**

Some indescribable hope we feel  
when we gather in the Spirit.

**May our experience of the Divine  
transform our doubts and fears  
and prepare us to love the world.**

\* **HYMN 173** Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies  
*The children are invited to come forward.*

### TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

**HYMN 141** Children of the Heavenly Father  
*Stanza 1 and 2 sung seated as the children return to their seats.*

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM** See Insert  
Parker Thomas Beattie

**ANTHEM** The Transfiguration Richard Shephard

After six days Jesus taketh Peter, James,  
and John his brother, and bringeth them  
up to a high mountain apart,  
and was transfigured before them;  
and his face did shine as the sun;  
and his raiment was white as the light;  
and behold a bright cloud overshadowed them;  
and behold a voice out of the cloud which said:  
“This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased;  
hear ye him.”

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**God, source of all light,  
by your Word you give light to the soul.  
Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding  
that our hearts and minds may be opened.  
Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE** Mark 9:2-9 New Testament, page 42

**SERMON** God-Man Bridges Heaven and Earth!

## 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 Connections Card during worship and place it in the offering plate or email Trevor Harper at [trevor@fumcaustin.org](mailto:trevor@fumcaustin.org). The next class is April 15 at 12:15 p.m. in Garrison Chapel of the Family Life Center.*

**OFFERING** I Want Jesus to Walk with Me Traditional Spiritual  
Tammy Waldrop

### \* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

*As we sing the following, those with birthdays in February are invited to come forward for a prayer of blessing.*

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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### 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 February.  
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.

### RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS