

## \* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

Bless thou the gifts our hands have brought; bless  
 thou the work our hearts have planned. Ours  
 is the faith, the will, the thought; the  
 rest, O God, is in thy hand.

Words: Samuel Longfellow

Music: DEUS TUORUM MILITUM - *Grenoble Antiphoner*; adapt. by Ralph Vaughan Williams

## RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

## GOING OUT TO SERVE

## \* BENEDICTION

## \* HYMN 586 Let My People Seek Their Freedom

## CLOSING MUSIC

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## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed on the altar by Mike and Cheryl Etie in honor of their 40th wedding anniversary celebrated today.

## WORSHIP LEADERS

*Preacher*

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

*Liturgist*

Reverend Cathy Stone

*Music Director/Organist*

Scott Davis

## GOD OF MANY NAMES

1. God of man - y names, gath - ered in - to One,  
 God of hov - ering wings, womb and birth of time,  
 2. God of Jew - ish faith, ex - o - dus and law  
 God of Je - sus Christ, rab - bi of the poor,  
 3. God of wound - ed hands, web and loom of love,  
 God of man - y names, gath - ered in - to One,  
 in your glo - ry come and meet us,  
 joy - ful - ly we sing your prais - es,  
 in your glo - ry come and meet us,  
 joy - ful - ly we sing your prais - es,  
 in your glo - ry come and meet us,  
 joy - ful - ly we sing your prais - es,

mov - ing, end - less - ly be - com - ing;  
 breath of life in ev - ery peo - ple,  
 joy of Mir - i - am and Mo - ses;  
 cru - ci - fied, a - live for ev - er,  
 car - pen - ter of new cre - a - tion;  
 mov - ing, end - less - ly be - com - ing,

sing praise to God our cre-a - tor! God is Love!

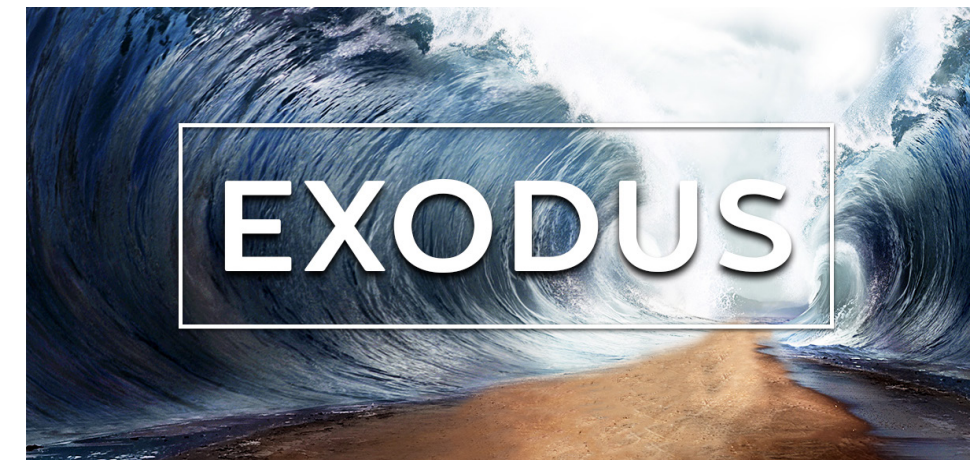
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## SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

February 25, 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.

## 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 out the Connections Card. During Lent you are invited to write prayers for new life for yourself, for others, for our world on the paper butterflies available in the pews. Place your Connections Card and butterflies in the offering plate.*

*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**                      Eternal Lord of Love,                      Old 124th  
   Behold Your Church                      Arr. Charles Winfred Douglas

Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church  
walking once more the pilgrim way of Lent,  
led by your cloud by day, by night your fire,  
moved by your love and toward your presence bent:  
far off yet here - the goal of all desire.  
So daily dying to the way of self,  
so daily living to your way of love,  
we walk the road, Lord Jesus, that you trod,  
knowing ourselves baptized into your death:  
so we are dead and live with you in God.

Thomas H. Cain

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather together  
to worship the God of our fathers and mothers—  
**the God of Abraham and Sarah, of Miriam and Moses—**  
who hears the cries of His people and comes to their aid;  
**who meets us on holy ground and calls us to follow;**  
who invites us to leave our selfish ways behind,  
take up our cross,  
and discover what it means to truly live.

**This is our God!**

Let's worship together.

\* **HYMN 64**    Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

### OPENING PRAYER

**ANTHEM**    There's a Wideness In God's Mercy                      Calvin Hampton

There's a wideness in God's mercy  
like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in his justice,  
which is more than liberty.  
There is welcome for the sinner,  
and more graces for the good;  
there is mercy with the Savior;  
there is healing in His blood.  
There is no place where earth's sorrows  
are more felt than up in heaven;  
there is no place where earth's failings  
have such kindly judgment given.  
There is plentiful redemption  
in the blood that has been shed;  
there is joy for all the members  
in the sorrows of the Head.  
For the love of God is broader  
than the measure of the mind;  
and the heart of the Eternal  
is most wonderfully kind.  
If our love were but more faithful,  
we should take him at his word;  
and our life would be thanksgiving  
for the goodness of the Lord.

Frederick William Faber

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**God of Courage,**  
**be in our speaking.**  
**Be also in our listening,**  
**and speak to our souls' deep understanding.**  
**In Christ's name we pray.**  
**Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE**                      Exodus 3:1-15                      Old Testament, page 48

**HYMN**                      God of Many Names                      See Back Panel  
*Stanzas 1 and 2 sung seated as the children come forward.*

### TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

**HYMN**                      God of Many Names                      See Back Panel  
*Stanza 3 sung seated as the children return to their seats.*

**SERMON**                      The God Who Will

## RESPONDING IN FAITH

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

#### 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.**

#### 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**    Hush! Somebody's Callin' My Name                      Traditional Spiritual  
   Arr. Brazeal W. Dennard

Hush, somebody's callin' my name.  
Oh, my Lord, what shall I do?  
I'm so glad that trouble don't last always.