

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 HYMNS

405 Seek Ye First

496 Sweet Hour of Prayer

634 Now Let Us from This Table Rise

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 support the FreeStore. For more information, see the cover of the FUMC Weekly.

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

GOING OUT TO SERVE

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN When Our Confidence Is Shaken See Back Panel

CLOSING MUSIC

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ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed on the altar by Jan Berger in celebration of Ed Berger's birthday on May 7.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Liturgists

Reverend Michael Mumme

Reverend Cathy Stone

Madison Austin

Music Director/Organist

Scott Davis

WHEN OUR CONFIDENCE IS SHAKEN



1. When our con - fi - dence is sha - ken in be - liefs we
2. So - lar sys - tems, void of mean - ing, freeze the spir - it
3. In the dis - ci - pline of pray - ing, when it's hard - est
4. God is love, and thus re - deems us in the Christ we



thought se - cure, when the spir - it in its sick - ness
in - to stone; al - ways our re - search - es lead us
to be - lieve; in the drudg - er - y of car - ing,
cru - ci - fy; this is God's e - ter - nal an - swer



seeks but can - not find a cure, God is ac - tive
to the ul - ti - mate un - known. Faith must die, or
when it's not e - nough to grieve; faith, ma - tur - ing,
to the world's e - ter - nal why. May we in this



in the ten - sions of a faith not yet ma - ture;
come full cir - cle to its source in God a - lone;
learns ac - cep - tance of the in - sights we re - ceive;
faith ma - tur - ing be con - tent to live and die;



of a faith not yet ma - ture.
to its source in God a - lone.
of the in - sights we re - ceive.
be con - tent to live and die!

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Music: CWM RHONDDA - John Hughes



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 6, 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.

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

All are invited to greet those around them and to fill out 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 God Beyond All Praising

Gustav Holst

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
and sing that love amazing that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder at every gift you send,
at blessings without number and mercies without end.
We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your Word,
we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Michael Perry

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* CALL TO WORSHIP

Come with what you have.
For you who grieve this day
know that you are invited
to bring the broken pieces of your heart.
Loved by one another,
we discover God’s love for us.

Come with what you have.
For you who come with gladness
know that your melody will find harmony.
Accepting God’s love for us,
we are called to love one another.

Come with what you have.
For you weighed down by too many ‘shoulds’ and ‘what-ifs’
know that here you may lay down the burdens
of guilt and shame.
Loved by one another,
we discover God’s love for us.

Come with what you have.
For you who have the answers,
know that new questions await you.
Accepting God’s love for us,
we are called to love one another.

Come with what you have.
For you who come seeking,
know that your questions are safe in the presence of God.
Loved by one another,
we discover God’s love for us.

Katherine Hawker

* HYMN 451 Be Thou My Vision

OPENING PRAYER

HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of Wisdom,
you promise to give your Spirit to those who ask.
Overwhelm us with your Word,
that we may know you more fully,
love you more passionately,
and follow you more closely;
in Jesus’ name we pray.
Amen.

SCRIPTURE Luke 11:1-13 New Testament, page 68

SERMON Does Prayer Really Change Things?

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONDING IN FAITH

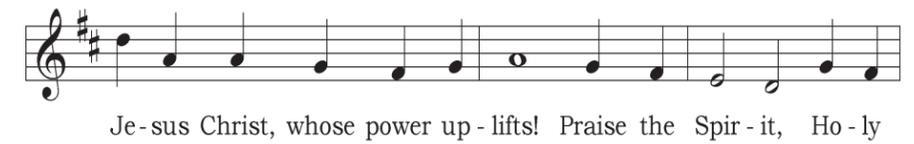
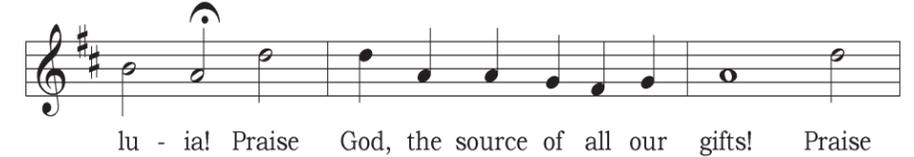
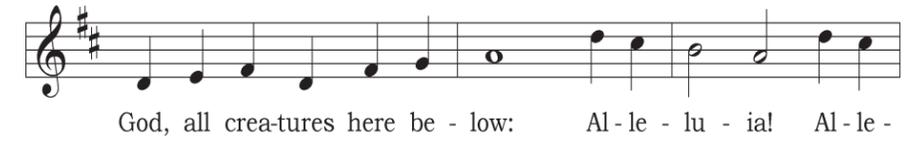
INVITATION TO THE FAITH JOURNEY

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. The next class is June 3 at 12:15 p.m. in Garrison Chapel of the Family Life Center.

OFFERING With a Voice of Singing Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing, declare ye this
and let it be heard: Alleluia!
The Lord hath delivered his people: Alleluia!
O be joyful in God all ye lands;
O sing praises to the honor of his name;
make his praise to be glorious!

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING



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Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN - Geistliche Kirchengesange; adapt. by 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.