

## FEASTING AT THE TABLE OF GRACE

### \* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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### THE LORD'S PRAYER 895

### 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

617 I Come with Joy

369 Blessed Assurance

### 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. All gifts left on the rail will go to the Peace with Justice Offering. For more information, see the cover of the FUMC Weekly.*

### PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

## GOING OUT TO SERVE

### \* BENEDICTION

\* HYMN O God Who Shaped Creation See Insert

### CLOSING MUSIC

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### ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed on the altar by Jack and Dana Wagner in celebration of their ninth wedding anniversary.

### WORSHIP LEADERS

*Preacher:* Reverend Taylor Fuerst

*Liturgists:* Reverend Michael Mumme, Reverend Cathy Stone, and Pete Meeker

*Music Director/Organist:* Scott Davis

## SUNDAY PARKING

The church parking lot is reserved for mobility-impaired individuals. All able-bodied members are asked to use the free parking available on Sundays in the Trial Lawyer's garage at the southwest corner of 13th and Lavaca Streets and at open meters around the church.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00-10:45 A.M.

### ADULTS

Sunday School is the place where people learn about Christian faith in a loving, supportive environment. Our classes offer adults a wide selection of age groups, study topics, and learning styles. Learn more at [fumcaustin.org/sundayschool](http://fumcaustin.org/sundayschool).

### YOUTH

Youth from 6th through 12th grades are invited to wake up with fellowship, study, and donuts! We gather in the Great Hall of the Family Life Center for music and announcements, then split into middle school and high school groups to awaken to God's word. Learn more at [fumcaustin.org/youth](http://fumcaustin.org/youth).

### CHILDREN

For children ages 3 through 5th grade, we offer weekly guided Christian education, led by volunteer church members. Children are grouped by age and grade. Children's classes are located on the first floor of the Education Building. Learn more at [fumcaustin.org/children](http://fumcaustin.org/children).

## ONLINE GIVING

We offer two convenient ways to give online to support ministry at First United Methodist Church. (1) make an online donation at [fumcaustin.org/giving](http://fumcaustin.org/giving). (2) text FUMCAUSTIN (all caps) to 73256 on your smartphone and follow the prompts. Once your number is registered, future gifts are easier to make.



June 3, 2018  
11:00 a.m.

### OUR MISSION

First United Methodist Church exists to build a community where all people are invited to know God's love and sent to join God in transforming the world.

### OUR INVITATION

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.

### OUR FAMILIES

We love children and encourage you to bring them to worship. Activity clipboards are available in the sanctuary foyer for their enjoyment. Our Family Room in the balcony offers rockers, books, toys, and a diaper change station for parents with infants and toddlers. Childcare is also available for children through age 5 in Rooms 102-104 of the Education Building. Please ask an usher for assistance.

LEARN MORE AT  
[www.fumcaustin.org](http://www.fumcaustin.org)

## 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** We Sing to You, O God

John Darwall

We sing to you, O God,  
the Rock who gave us birth,  
let our rejoicing sing your name  
in all the earth.  
To you, O God, let songs be raised,  
in joyful hymns, our feast of praise.  
O God, eternal God,  
we hide within your wings,  
the everlasting arms to whom  
our praises ring.  
Your word is true, your way is just,  
you are the God in whom we trust.

Gracia Grindal

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### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and worship, all of you—  
**outsiders and insiders,  
old-timers and new-comers,  
the young, the old, and the in-between.**  
Come as you are,  
for this is God’s house—  
**a house of prayer for all people,  
and God welcomes each one who comes.**  
Come, let us worship the Lord!

**\* HYMN** Praise with Joy the World’s Creator

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### OPENING PRAYER

## HEARING GOD’S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Your words and your Word  
come to us in many forms, O God.  
We need them all.  
Attune us to them now,  
that we may see your vision  
and hear your call.  
Amen.

**SCRIPTURE** Genesis 3:1-13 Old Testament, page 2

**SERMON** The Problem

## RESPONDING IN FAITH

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of Creation,  
we confess that we have taken what is good in your world  
and bent it to match our selfish will.  
We choose ourselves over others.  
We turn a blind eye to injustice.  
We take more than we need  
and act as though we deserve it.  
We long for change,  
in ourselves and our world.  
Forgive us, O God,  
and give us a fresh start.  
Give us the grace and courage  
to choose a different path,  
to live according to your will today, tomorrow,  
and in all the days to come.**

*Silent prayers of confession.*

In Christ,  
God is not far from us, but near.  
God hears our cries  
and forgives our sin.  
God makes new life possible,  
for us and for all the world.  
**Thanks be to God. 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 United Methodist beliefs and the ministry of FUMC, meet the pastors and other members, and ask questions. To sign up, fill out the Connections Card and bring it with you to class at 12:15 p.m. in Garrison Chapel of the Family Life Center.*

**OFFERING** As the Lyre to the Singer

Alfred V. Fedak

As the lyre to the singer,  
as one’s thought to spoken word,  
as the rose to fragrant odor,  
so to me is Christ the Lord.  
As the mother to the baby,  
as the traveler to his guide,  
as the lake to streaming rainfall  
stands the Savior by my side.  
As the forest to the pine tree,  
as its song is to the lark,  
as the sky to soaring mountain,  
as the candle in the dark,  
as the meal is to the hungry,  
as the water in the well,  
as the lover is beloved,  
in the love of Christ I dwell.  
As the sun to gladdening day spring,  
as the oil is to the flame,  
as the fish is to the water,  
so to me is his dear name.  
Bound to him and by him  
holden as the flute and breath accord,  
his for now, and his forever  
is my soul to Christ the Lord.

Narayan Vaman Tilak, trans. from the Marathi by Nicol McNicol

### \* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

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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