

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise
God, all creatures here below: 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!

GOING OUT TO SERVE

BIRTHDAY BLESSING

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN 593 Here I Am, Lord

CLOSING MUSIC

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ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed on the altar by Ruby Parker in celebration of Jim Parker's 89th birthday.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Liturgists: Reverend Michael Mumme, Reverend Cathy Stone,
and Dick Young

Music Director/Organist: Scott Davis

Handbell Director: Shirley Derryberry

WORSHIP MUSIC

Holy Ground

Words and Music: Geron Davis

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Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN - Geistliche Kirchengesänge; adapt. by Ralph Vaughan Williams

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.

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.

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.

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. (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 10, 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

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!”

Psalms 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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CELEBRATION OF REAPPOINTMENT See Insert

* CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to worship the One
who crafted creation out of chaos.

**Our cries of joy
join the anthems of the universe.**

We gather to lift our praise
to the God who gives us voice.

**We bring the songs
which have echoed in our hearts all week long.**

We gather as the children of God,
our joy unbroken in God's love.

**Let our joy resound
through singing, teaching, and reflecting on the word.**

*** HYMN** God the Mountains Tell Your Glory See Insert

OPENING PRAYER

ANTHEM Be Joyful in God Sacred Harp
(Melodious Accord) Arr. Alice Parker

Be joyful in God, all ye lands of the earth,
oh serve him with gladness and fear:
exalt in his presence with music and mirth,
with love and devotion draw near.

Jehovah is God, and Jehovah alone
who reigns with his Son above all,
and we are his people, his scepter we own,
his sheep, and we follow his call.

O enter his gates with thanksgiving and song,
your vow in his temple proclaim.

His praise with melodious accordance prolong,
and bless his adorable name.

For good is the Lord, inexpressibly good,
and we are the works of his hand,
his mercy and truth from eternity stood,
and shall to eternity stand!

James Montgomery

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Lord,
open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that as the Scriptures are read
and your Word is proclaimed,
we may hear with joy
what you say to us today.**

Amen.

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

HYMN Holy Ground
Sung twice seated as the children come forward.

We are stand - ing on ho - ly ground,
and I know that there are an - gels all a -
round; let us praise Je - sus
now; we are stand - ing in his
pres - ence on ho - ly ground.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES AND COMMISSIONING OF ASP TEAM

Pastor:

All of us who take upon ourselves the name of Christian
are called into ministries of love and service
after the example of Christ,
who came not to be served, but to serve.

These persons before you have answered the call
to participate in the Appalachia Service Project
by serving the people of Magoffin County, Kentucky,
in the name of Jesus Christ.

I commend them to you
for your love, care, prayers, and financial support
for the work they will perform.

Congregation:

**We rejoice to recognize you
as ambassadors of this congregation
in ministry to and with
our brothers and sisters in Magoffin County.
We will be united with you in your work
through our prayers and support.
We pray God's blessings on you
and on the Appalachia Service Project.**

The members of this mission team kneel at the communion rail as the pastor prays for them. Youth: Madison Austin, Taylor Austin, Hart Black, Abby Buchanan, Tyler Deithloff, Alexander Drazic, Evan Drazic, Cade Dulaney, Olivia Gonzalez, Peyton Ivey, Kennedy Schuelke, Connor Stephens, Tom Strandwitz, Thomas Waggoner, Thomas Wilson, and Mia Zaia. Adults: Devon Bailey, Jan Berger, Emily Buchanan, Tim Deschner, Taylor Fuerst, Bob Garrett, Mark Steves, Gordon Wesley, Christie Wilson, and Rebecca Yohe.

HYMN 405 Seek Ye First
Stanzas 1 and 2 sung seated as the children return to their seats.

SERMON People of Egypt, Prince of Egypt

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 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 during worship and place it in the offering plate or email Trevor Harper at trevor@fumcaustin.org.

OFFERING Canon Johann Pachelbel
Arr. Cheryl Baker