

* HYMN There's a Wideness in God's Mercy



1. There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy like the wide-ness
2. For the love of God is broad-er than the meas-ure



of the sea; there's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,
of the mind; and the heart of the E - ter - nal



which is more than lib - er - ty. There is wel-come for the sin-ner,
is most won-der ful - ly kind. If our love were but more sim-ple,



and more grac - es for the good! There is mer - cy
we should rest up - on God's word; and our lives would



with the Sav - ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
be il - lu - mined by the pres-ence of our Lord.

Words: Frederick W. Faber

Music: IN BABILONE - Trad. Dutch melody; arr. by Julius Roentgen

CLOSING MUSIC

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ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by Daviss King on his birthday in honor of his father, Hugh King, and in memory of his mother, Peggie King.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Cathy Stone

Liturgists

Reverend Michael Mumme

Cindy Walter

Musicians

Michael Carrillo, *Cantor*

Evelyn Gullatt, *Violin*

Susannah Willms, *Piano*

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: (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.



AUGUST 5, 2018

9:00 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, wear a nametag, and to fill out the Connections Card.

ENTERING THE HOLY

* CALL TO WORSHIP

In the midst of our failures,
we stand in God's grace.
In the midst of our struggles,
we boast in our hope through Christ.
In the midst of our suffering,
we claim the endurance given by the Holy Spirit.
In every part of our lives,
the love of our Creator has been poured into our hearts.
Let us be open to this love as we join together in worship.

* HYMN 127 Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah

OPENING PRAYER

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of all creation,
send your Holy Spirit among us this day,
that the seed of your Word might take root in our hearts,
and bear the fruits of peace, love, and justice for all.
Amen.

SCRIPTURE Romans 5:1-11 New Testament, page 146

SERMON Paul

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. The next class is September 9 at 12:15 p.m. in Garrison Chapel of the Family Life Center.

OFFERING

Grace Alone Scott Wesley Brown and Jeff Nelson

Every promise we can make,
every prayer and step of faith,
every difference we will make
is only by his grace.

Every mountain we will climb,
every ray of hope we shine,
every blessing left behind
is only by his grace.

Grace alone which God supplies,
strength unknown he will provide.
Christ in us our Cornerstone;
we will go forth in grace alone.

Every soul we long to reach,
every heart we hope to teach,
Everywhere we share his peace
is only by his grace.

Every loving word we say,
every tear we wipe away,
Every sorrow turned to praise
is only by his grace.

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* 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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FEASTING AT THE TABLE OF GRACE

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

See Insert

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 bread and cups are available at the left (north) side station. As you approach the servers, please indicate that you would like to receive gluten-free.

COMMUNION HYMNS

344 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

Hymn Let Us Be Bread
Cantor sings the stanzas and all sing the refrain.

Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord, bro - ken and
shared, life for the world. Let us be wine, love free - ly
poured. Let us be one in the Lord.

Words and Music: Thomas J. Porter
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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 our English as a Second Language (ESL) Ministry.

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENECTION