

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

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

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

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN 695 O Lord, May Church and Home Combine

CLOSING MUSIC

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by Laura Greene Velez in honor of her son, Bert Greene, on his birthday.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Michael Mumme

Liturgists

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Reverend Cathy Stone

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 Texas Trial Lawyer's Association 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

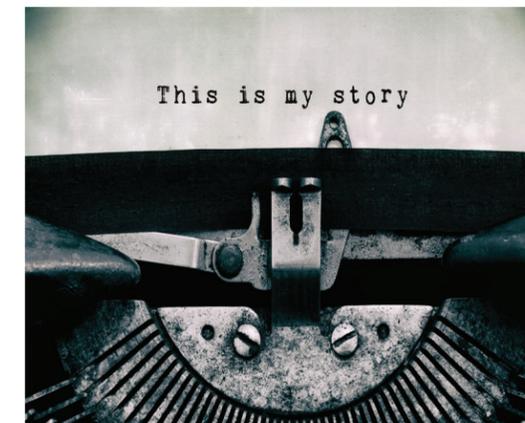
Youth from 6th through 12th grades are invited to wake up with fellowship, study, and donuts! We gather in the Great Hall of the Family Life Center for music and announcements, then split into middle school and high school groups to awaken to God's word. Learn more at fumcaustin.org/youth.

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 and/or (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.



SEPTEMBER 16, 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!”

Psalm 122:1

ENTERING THE HOLY

INTROIT Morning Has Broken Gaelic Melody/Arr. Alec Wyton
(Words: UMH 145)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and worship!
God welcomes all to God’s loving community.
God’s love will shape us and renew us.
With attentive lives,
we will see it in our midst
and see it done through our hands.
Once we were young and afraid,
yet God has gathered us up,
patched us up,
and set us free.
Praise the One who welcomes the children,
and adopts us as God’s own,
that we might share in Christ’s glory.
Amen.

* **HYMN** 139 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

OPENING PRAYER

MISSION EMPHASIS MOMENT

Grace Okerson, Global Mission Fellows Program

ANTHEM All My Hope Is Firmly Grounded Herbert Howells

All my hope is firmly grounded
in the great and living Lord;
who, whenever I most need him,
never fails to keep his word.
God I must wholly trust,
God the ever good and just.
Tell me, who can trust our nature,
human, weak, and insecure?
Which of all the airy castles
can the hurricane endure?
Built on sand, naught can stand
by our earthly wisdom planned.

But in every time and season,
out of love’s abundant store,
God sustains the whole creation,
fount of life forevermore.
We who share earth and air
count on God’s unfailing care.
Thank, O thank, our great Creator,
thru God’s only Son this day;
God alone, the heavenly potter,
made us out of earth and clay.
Quick to heed, strong in deed,
God shall all the people feed.

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HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Our loving Parent,
speak to us now that we might hear,
and in hearing and by doing,
we might grow in the way of Christ.
Amen.

SCRIPTURE Mark 9:33-37 New Testament, page 43

HYMN You Are Mine See Insert
Stanzas 1 and 2 sung seated.

SCRIPTURE Romans 8:12-17 New Testament, page 148

HYMN You Are Mine See Insert
*Stanzas 3 and 4 sung seated
as the children come forward.*

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

THIRD GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION

Adrian Jaime Aguirre
Nathan Barnard
Britain Elias Bayliss
Breck Daniel Black
Ava Nicole Buchanan
William Joseph Dow
Kyle Tyler Heckmann
Hudson Isaac Hill
Chloe H. Newmiller
Eleanor Lois Eunsoo Purdy
Tanner Ramberg
Thomas Ray Story
Cashion Mathews Swinney
Haddie Claire Thurman

HYMN 369 Blessed Assurance
*Stanza 1 and refrain sung seated
as the children return to their seats.*

THIS IS MY STORY Daviss King

SERMON Adopted By Love:
Faithful Despite Fear

RESPONDING IN FAITH

BLESSING OF THE WATER

THE LORD’S PRAYER 895

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM AS A GIFT TO BE SHARED

Hymn Jesus Loves the Little Children See Insert

Hymn Your Love, O God See Insert

Hymn We Are One in the Spirit See Slides

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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 The King of Love My Shepherd Is ST. COLUMBA
Arr. Betty Pulkingham

The King of Love my Shepherd is,
whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his,
and he is mine forever.
Where streams of living water flow,
my ransomed soul he leadeth,
and where the verdant pastures grow,
with food celestial feedeth.
Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
but yet in love he sought me,
and on his shoulder gently laid,
and home rejoicing brought me.
And so through all the length of days
thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
within thy house forever. Amen.

Henry W. Baker