

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN Sing a New World Into Being See Insert

CLOSING MUSIC

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

Happy birthday today to Margaret Cooper, Noble Doss, Jr. , Emily George, Susan Hensley, and John McIntosh!

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Liturgists

Reverend Michael Mumme

Musicians

Michael Carrillo, *Cantor*

Evenyn Gullatt, *Violin*

Susannah Willms, *Piano*

WORSHIP MUSIC

Diverse In Culture, Nation, Race

Words: Ruth Duck

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Music: TALLIS CANON - Thomas Tallis

Now We Offer

Words: Thomas Ken; adapt. by Gilbert H. Vieira, alt.

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Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN - Geistliche Kirchengesange; 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: (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 9, 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 and to fill out the Connections Card.

ENTERING THE HOLY

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and worship!
We will praise the One
who was, who is, and who is to come.
Trust in the One
who holds your past, your present, and your future.
Our hope is in the One who creates expansive love
and calls us to do the same.
Follow the One who never breaks covenant.
We follow the One whose extravagant love calls us
to co-create justice for the oppressed,
feed the hungry, unlock prisons,
and welcome strangers, orphans, and widows.
Praise the One whose justice is grace-full and inclusive.
We praise the Spirit that spans the ages.
Amen!

Tim Graves

* HYMN Diverse In Culture, Nation, Race



1. Di - verse - in cul - ture, na - tion, race, we
2. God, let us be a bridge of care con -
3. When cha - sms wid - en, storms a - rise, O
4. God, let us be a ta - ble spread with



come to - geth - er by your grace. God, let us be a
nect - ing peo - ple ev - 'ry - where. Help us con - front all
Ho - ly Spir - it, make us wise. Let our re - solve, like
gifts of love and bro - ken bread, where all find wel - come,



meet - ing ground where hope and heal - ing love are found.
fear and hate and lust for pow'r that sep - a - rate.
steel, be strong to stand with those who suf - fer wrong.
grace at - tends, and en - e - mies a - rise as friends.

OPENING PRAYER

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious Lord,
we come to the word with many questions.
Like the Pharisees,
we can be captivated by correctness,
intent on right answers.
As we turn to your word,
do not let our desire for information
dominate our need for transformation.
Let us hear the word
and be moved to greater faith and obedience.
Amen.

SCRIPTURE Ephesians 4:25-32 New Testament, page 183

THIS IS MY STORY

Albert Garcia

SERMON

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 today at 12:15 p.m. in FLC Garrison Chapel.

OFFERING As the Deer Martin Nystrom
Arr. Christine D. Anderson

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING



Now we of - fer you, our Fa - ther, with the bread and with the wine



all our joys and all our sor - rows all our strug - gles and our time



1. As the fields of wheat now grow - ing will be -
2. Like the grape put in the cel - lar, there to
3. All your peo - ple who are yearn - ing for the



come a ho - ly sign, so shall we re - veal you,
change in - to the wine, all the poor on earth who
free - dom still a - head of - fer fruits of your cre -



Je - sus, that in us you now may shine.
suf - fer shed their sor - rows in this sign.
a - tion in these gifts of wine and bread.

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.

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

Hymn Come, Share the Lord See Insert

Hymn Nothing Can Trouble See Insert

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 Global Mission Fellows Program. For more information, see the FUMC Weekly.

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

BIRTHDAY BLESSING

Let us pray:
God, our gracious Creator,
we give you thanks for the gift of life
to these who celebrate their birthdays in September.
Grant that they may make this new year in their lives
an offering that will enrich your world
and give you glory.
Cause them to grow in wisdom and grace
and strengthen their trust in your goodness
all the days of their lives; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Book of Common Prayer, 1979, alt.