

## 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 October.  
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.

## GOING OUT TO SERVE

### \* BENEDICTION

\* HYMN 399 Take My Life, and Let It Be

### CLOSING MUSIC

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### CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by Mary Frances Rogerson in loving memory of her mother, Madelyn Martin, on her birthday.

### WORSHIP LEADERS

#### Preacher

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

#### Liturgists

Reverend Michael Mumme

Reverend Cathy Stone

#### Music Director/Organist

Scott Davis

#### Soloist

Brad Heckler

## 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](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: (1) make an online donation at [fumcaustin.org/giving](http://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.



## LIVING THE ABUNDANT LIFE

OCTOBER 14, 2018  
11:00 a.m.

### 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 participate fully in the life of this church.

### 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 VALUES

*Justice.* Working to eradicate injustice for the excluded and marginalized. *Bridge-Building.* Nurturing multigenerational friendships and community partnerships. *Storytelling.* Sharing our stories of faith and of growth. *Active Learning.* Pursuing knowledge and understanding of God. *Service.* Seeking mutually empowering service opportunities. *Constructive Disruption.* Disrupting systems of power to create positive change.

### OUR FAMILIES

We love children in worship. Activity clipboards for children are available in the Sanctuary Foyer. 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 EDU Rooms 102-104.



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

I Will Sing

Max Dyer

I will sing a song unto the Lord.  
Alleluia, glory to the Lord.  
We will come as one before the Lord.

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#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

With our whole being—  
heart, mind, soul, and strength—  
let us love and praise God!

**With all of our being,  
we will love and praise God!**

**For God is faithful forever,**

**helping, freeing, loving, protecting!**

Let us sing praises to our God as long as we live!

**Praise the maker of heaven and earth!**

**Praise God who is faithful forever!**

Rebecca J. Krueger Gaudino

#### \* HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

See Insert

### OPENING PRAYER

#### ANTHEM

The Apple Tree

Scottish Folk Song

Arr. K. Lee Scott

The tree of life my soul hath seen,  
laden with fruit and always green:  
the trees of nature fruitless be  
compared to Christ, the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excell:

by faith I know, but ne'er can tell  
the glory which I now can see  
in Jesus Christ, the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought,  
and pleasure dearly I have bought:

I missed of all; but now I see  
'tis found in Christ, the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil,  
here I will sit and rest awhile:

under the shadow I will be,  
of Jesus Christ, the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive  
it keeps my dying faith alive;  
which make my soul in haste to be  
with Jesus Christ, the apple tree.

Anonymous, collection of Joshua Smith, New Hampshire, 1784

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Holy God, Word made flesh,**

**let us come to this word open to being surprised.**

**Silence our agendas;**

**banish our assumptions;**

**cast out our casual detachment.**

**Confound our expectations;**

**clear the cobwebs from our ears;**

**penetrate the corners of our hearts with this word.**

**We know that you can,**

**we pray that you will,**

**and we wait with great anticipation.**

**Amen.**

#### SCRIPTURE

Luke 19:1-10

New Testament, page 78

#### HYMN

Shepherd Me, O God

See Insert

*Refrain, stanzas 1 and 2, refrain*

*sung seated as the children come forward.*

#### TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

#### HYMN

Shepherd Me, O God

See Insert

*Refrain, stanzas 3, 4, and 5, refrain*

*sung seated as the children return to their seats.*

#### SERMON

Re-ordered

## RESPONDING IN FAITH

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*In our prayers, the Pastor calls and we respond together:*

Hear our prayer, Lord,

**for we belong to you.**

#### 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.**

#### 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](mailto:trevor@fumcaustin.org). The next class is November 4 at 12:15 p.m. in FLC Garrison Chapel.*

#### OFFERING

All Things Are Yours, My God

Carl Schalk

All things are yours, my God,  
Creator of all that exists,  
all wisdom, all beauty, and might.

You made me, you own me,  
your glory surrounds me;

I live by your mercy and love.

All things are yours, and so am I.

All things are yours, my Lord,

Redeemer of all who have sinned,  
new Master of all who repent.

You sought me, you found me,

you call me, you lead me;

now have me live only for you.

All things are yours, and so am I.

All things are yours, my Guide,

Renewer and Giver of life,  
Transformer of hearts and of minds.

Renew, transform, inspire me, refine me,

and give me the spirit of Christ.

All things are yours, and so am I.

“All things are yours, my child:

so live like the heir that you are,

entrusted with all that you have.

Be faithful, be prudent, be daring, be caring,

as giving as I am toward you.

All things are yours, and you are mine.”

Jaroslav J. Vajda © 1989 Concordia Publishing House

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#### \* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

*As we sing the following, those with birthdays in October are invited to come forward for a prayer of blessing.*



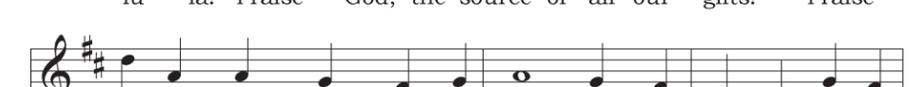
Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise



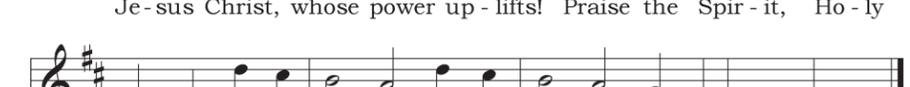
God, all crea-tures here be - low: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



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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