

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

Cantor

Michael Carrillo

Piano

Susannah Willms

Violin

Evelyn Gullatt

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.



LIVING THE ABUNDANT LIFE

OCTOBER 14, 2018
9:00 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

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

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 140 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

OPENING PRAYER

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

SERMON Re-ordered

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 November 4 at 12:15 p.m. in FLC Garrison Chapel.

OFFERING The King of Love My Shepherd Is Trad. Irish Melody
(St. Columba) Arr. Kristan Campbell

* 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.

Words: Misa Popular Nicaraguense, tr. Gerald Thorson

Music: TE OFRECEMOS - Nicaraguan folk tune, arr. by Vernon Hamburg

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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 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 World Communion Offering and Casa Marianella. For more information, see the FUMC Weekly.

COMMUNION HYMN

Shepherd Me, O God

See Insert

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 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.