

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 our "Feed My People" Breakfast Ministry.

COMMUNION HYMNS

617 I Come with Joy

614 For the Bread Which You Have Broken

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN 577 God of Grace and God of Glory

CLOSING MUSIC

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by Sally Watkins in honor and appreciation of the FUMC clergy and staff.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Liturgist

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

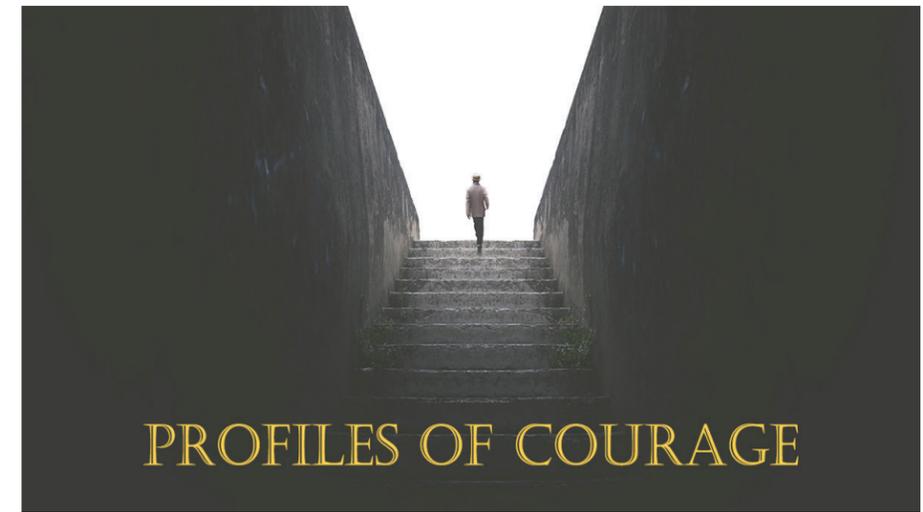
Youth from 6th through 12th grades are invited to wake up with fellowship, study, and donuts! We gather in the Great Hall of the Family Life Center for music and announcements, then split into middle school and high school groups to awaken to God's word. Learn more at fumcaustin.org/youth.

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.



February 3, 2019
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

Come and sit at the feet of our teacher.

Christ reveals the ways of God.

Come and see that God's kingdom has drawn near.

God sets the captives free

and fills the needy with good things.

Come and praise our source of courage and strength.

The Spirit leads us in wisdom and truth.

Come! Let us worship the Lord.

* HYMN

Sing of the Lords Goodness

See Insert

OPENING PRAYER

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God,

as we turn to your Word for us,

may the Spirit of God rest upon us.

Help us to be steadfast in our hearing,

in our speaking,

in our believing,

and in our living.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Daniel 6:6-23

Old Testament, page 785

SERMON

Daniel: The End of Courage

RESPONDING IN FAITH

BLESSING OF CHURCH LEADERS

Dear friends,

you have been called by God

and chosen by the people of God

for leadership in the church.

This ministry is a blessing

and a serious responsibility.

It recognizes your special gifts

and calls you to work among us and for us.

In love we thank you for accepting your obligation

and challenge you to offer your best to the Lord,

to this people,

and to our ministry in the world.

Live a life in Christ

and make him known in your witness and your work.

Do you acknowledge yourself a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ?

I do.

Will you devote yourself to the service of God in the world?

I will.

Will you so live that you enable this church

to be a people of love and peace?

I will.

Will you do all in your power to be responsible

to the task for which you have been chosen?

I will.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

Dear friends,

rejoice that God provides laborers for the vineyards.

Will you do all you can to assist and encourage them

in the responsibilities to which they have been called,

giving them your cooperation, your counsel, and your prayers?

We will.

Let us pray.

Almighty God,

pour out your blessings upon these your servants

who have been given particular ministries in your church.

Grant them grace to give themselves wholeheartedly

in your service.

Keep before them the example of our Lord,

who did not think first of himself,

but gave himself for us all.

Let them share his ministry and consecration,

that they may enter into his joy.

Guide them in their work.

Reward their faithfulness with the knowledge

that through them your purposes are accomplished

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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. The next class is Sunday, February 10, at 12:15 p.m. in FLC Garrison Chapel. To sign up, fill out the Connections Card and place it in the offering plate or email Trevor Harper at trevor@fumcaustin.org.

OFFERING

Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel

Traditional Spiritual

Arr. Susannah Willms

Didn't my lord deliver Daniel,

then why not every man?

He delivered Daniel from the lion's den,

Jonah from the belly of the whale,

and the Hebrew children from the fiery furnace;

then why not every man?

I set my foot on the gospel ship

and the ship began to sail.

It landed me over on Canaan's shore

and I'll never come back no more.

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

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

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THE LORD'S PRAYER 895