COMMUNION MUSIC

Come, Share the Lord
We Adore You

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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.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
March 31, 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


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.

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Benediction

* HYMN 156 I Love to Tell the Story Stanzas 1 and 2

CLOSING MUSIC + + +

CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by Tami Kellberg in loving memory of her mother and best friend, Ireta Kellberg, on what would have been her 81st birthday.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Reverend Taylor Fuerst
Liturgist: Reverend Michael Mumme
Musicians: Michael Carrillo, Cantor; Evelyn Gullatt, Violin; and Susannah Willms, Piano

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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! Take refuge in the arms of Peace. We rest in the promises of God. No longer must we fret. The way is made clear. Even when enemies of Love arise, we remember:
God is our salvation; Truth is our firm foundation; Justice is our calling. With joy, we seek the face of God together.

* HYMN 57   O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

OPENING PRAYER

HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Eternal God, through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son your kin-dom has broken into our troubled world. Help us now to hear your Word, and give us grace to respond in faithful obedience, that our lives might be signs of the new life given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

John Paarlberg, adapted

SCRIPTURE
Mark 14:3-9 New Testament, page 48

SERMON
The First Supper

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. The next class is Sunday, April 28, 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.

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING

Change Our Hearts

Rory Cooney

Change our hearts this time, your word says it can be. Change our minds, this time, your life could make us free. We are the people your call set apart, Lord, this time change our hearts. Brought by your hand to the edge of our dreams. One foot in paradise, one in the waste. Drawn by your promises, still we are lured by the shadows and chains we leave behind. Show us the way that leads to your side, over the mountains and sands of the soul. Be for us manna, water from stone, light which says we never walk alone.

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* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

FEASTING AT THE TABLE OF GRACE

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
See Insert

THE LORD’S PRAYER 895

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 United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR).