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.

CHANCEL FLOWERS
The flowers are placed by Tom and Robbie Ausley in celebration of their 56th wedding anniversary.

WORSHIP LEADERS
Preacher
Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Liturgist
Reverend Michael Mumme

Musicians
Michael Carrillo, Cantor
Evelyn Gullatt, Violin
Susannah Willms, Piano

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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.

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.

SUNDAY 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.

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
A table is set before us.
A feast is prepared for us.
A meal of bread and wine,
of meat and bitter herbs.
The Lord calls us to this supper of remembrance.
The Lord calls us to serve and to be served.
As we break the bread and share the cup,
our understanding may fail us.
But we will never forget Christ’s example.
We will never forget the full extent of his love.

* HYMN
We Meet as Friends at Table See Folded Insert

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 Pascal, adapted

SCRIPTURE

SERMON
The Last Supper

RESPONDING IN FAITH

INVITATION TO THE FAITH JOURNEY
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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING
Take and Eat Michael Joncas
Take and eat:
this is my body given for you.
Take and drink:
this is my blood given for you.
I am the Word that spoke and light was made;
I am the seed that died to be reborn;
I am the bread that comes from heaven above;
I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.
I am the way that leads the exile home;
I am the truth that sets the captive free;
I am the life that raises up the dead;
I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.
I am the Lamb that takes away your sin;
I am the gate that guards you night and day;
You are my flock: you know the shepherd’s voice;
You are my own: your ransom is my blood.
Stanzas: James Quinn, S. J.
Refrain: Michael Joncas
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FEASTING AT THE TABLE OF GRACE

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
See Insert

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 Easter Offering, supporting our Emergency Assistance Fund and our new Thursday Morning Ministry with Women Experiencing Homelessness.