

## 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 support our Mobile Loaves & Fishes Ministry.*

## COMMUNION MUSIC

Hymn Christ We Are Blest See Insert

Hymn You Are Mine See Insert

## PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

## GOING OUT TO SERVE

### \* BENEDICTION

\* HYMN The Summons See Insert

## CLOSING MUSIC

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## CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by members of FUMC in joyful celebration of Cinco de Mayo and the lives of all of our Hispanic and Mexican members, family members, and friends.

## WORSHIP LEADERS

*Preacher:* Reverend Taylor Fuerst

*Liturgist:* Reverend Michael Mumme

*Cantor:* Michael Carrillo

*Piano:* Susannah Willms

*Violin:* Evelyn Gullatt

## COMMUNION MUSIC

Words: Traditional, alt.

Music: EASTER HYMN - Lyra Davidica

## 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.



## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 5, 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](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

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing praises to God, all you faithful ones.

**God hears us in our fear and our sorrow.**

Where there was no way,

**God leads us in a new way.**

Where there was no mercy,

**God surprises us with fresh mercy.**

Where there was weeping,

**God invites us to step into a new dance.**

Susan A. Blain

### \* HYMN

Gather Us In

See Insert

### OPENING PRAYER

## HEARING GOD’S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**O Lord,**

**open the eyes and ears of our hearts,**

**that we may hear the words of challenge and comfort**

**that the Spirit brings us this morning.**

**Amen.**

### SCRIPTURE

Acts 9:1-20

New Testament, page 120

### SERMON

Enemies

## 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 and place it in the offering plate or email Trevor Harper at [trevor@fumcaustin.org](mailto:trevor@fumcaustin.org).

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### OFFERING

You Are the Voice

David Haas

You are the voice of the living God,

calling us now to live in your love,

to be children of God once again!

Praise for the light that shines through the night,

from darkness to light, from death to new life,

and praise to the morning that brings forth the sun,

to open our eyes to the Lord!

Praise for the water that springs from the sea,

the seed that gives life to all who believe,

God’s love overflowing, our hearts know the joy

to be daughters and sons of the Lord!

Praise for the singing and praise for the dance,

with new heart and voice, all raise the song

of praise to creation; all heaven and earth,

come sing of the glory of God!

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### \* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING



Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow; praise



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



ris - en! 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! Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN - Geistliche Kirchengesange; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams

## FEASTING AT THE TABLE OF GRACE

### \* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

See Insert

### 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.*