COMMUNICATION RAIL OFFERING
It is a United Methodist custom to receive a free will love offering, over and above our regular giving, at the communion rail. Gifts left on the rail will go to Global Mission Fellows. For more information, see the cover of The Weekly.

COMMUNICATION MUSIC
64 All Creatures of Our God and King
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COMMUNICATION 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.

SEPTEMBER 22, 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.

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PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

* HYMN 68 When in Our Music God is Glorified

CLOSING MUSIC

CHANCEL FLOWERS
The flowers are placed by Will Binford in honor of Addy Binford’s and Alison Binford’s birthdays.

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GATHERING AS THE CHURCH

Asterisks (*) indicate an invitation to stand as you are able.

OPENING MUSIC
I'm Gonna Sing
Valerie W. Stephenson

OPENING PRAYER
Holy God,
who calls us beyond the limits of our poor understandings,
and holds wide heaven's door to receptive hearts,
take us in this holy place, we pray,
by the grace of music,
into the wonder that silences all agitation,
into the praise that knits up all fear.
And lead us on by the way of music
to glimpse a oneness which cannot yet be fully seen,
and find a rest which cannot yet be fully known.
So shall we perceive that unity
which foreshadows the end of all divisions
and that silence which heralds the beginning of all joys;
and know ourselves to be, at last,
your redeemed people;
graced and raised by song.
Amen.

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, November 17, at 12:15 p.m. in FLC Garrison Chapel. To sign up, fill out the Connections Card and place it in the offering plate, go online at fumcaustin.org/firststeps, or email Trevor Harper at trevor@fumcaustin.org.

BLESSING AND COMMISSIONING OF MUSICIANS
Pastor
You are called to be worshippers,
who worship in such a way
that others are led to praise God,
Will you seek after God with all your heart,
with all your mind,
with all your soul,
and with all your strength?
Musicians
With the help of God, we will.

Pastor
Will you bless the Lord at all times,
his praise continually in your mouth,
as you lead skillfully and sing to God a new song?
Musicians
With the help of God, we will.

Pastor
Will you weep with those who weep
and minister through music
to the hurting and sorrowing?
Musicians
With the help of God, we will.

Pastor
Will you bring joy and thanksgiving,
proclaiming God's goodness
and uniting the worship of earth and heaven
through your ministry of music?
Musicians
With the help of God, we will.

Congregation
May God be gracious to you and bless you
as you sing of what God has done.
May the Lord's face shine upon you
as you worship.
May God be gracious to you
as you share this grace with others,
and may you be filled with God's peace.
All:
Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING
Spirit, Sing Through Me
Herb Frombach

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

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.