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.

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

HYMN 369  Blessed Assurance

CLOSING MUSIC  *  *  *

CHANCEL FLOWERS  *  *  *
The flowers are placed by Steve and Dixie Houston in celebration of their 35th wedding anniversary.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher
Reverend John McMullen

Liturgists
Reverend Taylor Fuerst
Reverend Cathy Stone
Arthur Potts

Music Director/Organist
Scott Davis
Handbell Director
Shirley Derryberry

BIRTHDAY BLESSING
Let us pray:
God, our gracious Creator,
we give you thanks for the gift of life
to those who celebrate their birthdays in October.
Grant that they may make this new year in their lives
an offering that will enrich your world
and give you glory.
Cause them to grow in wisdom and grace
and strengthen their trust in your goodness
all the days of their lives; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.
The Book of Common Prayer, 1979, alt.

OCTOBER 13, 2019
11:00 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.

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.

Response: I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the Lord!”
Psalm 122:1

ENTRERING THE HOLY

INTROIT
I Will Sing A Song Unto the Lord
Max Dyer

I will sing a song unto the Lord.
Alleluia, glory to the Lord.
We will come as one before the Lord.
Alleluia, glory to the Lord.
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* CALL TO WORSHIP
We gather together
To celebrate the joy in our lives.
God’s love fills our hearts to overflowing with laughter.
We gather, in God’s presence,
to find comfort and hope for our pain.
God’s grace wipes away our tears
and knits us together as one people.
We gather together, in God’s presence,
to worship God in faith and truth.
Alleluia! Amen!

* HYMN
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
See Insert

OPENING PRAYER

MINISTRY MOMENT
Cindy Walter

ANTHEM
All Things Are Yours, My God
Carl Schalk

All things are yours, my God,
creator of all that exists,
all wisdom, all beauty, and might.
You made me, you own me,
your glory surrounds me:
I live by your mercy and love.
All things are yours, and so am I.
All things are yours, my Lord,
redeemer of all who have sinned,
new master of all who repent.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Almighty God,
your word is a treasure
of wisdom and knowledge.
Help us to hear the word,
keep the word,
and teach the word.
Let it be as clear to us
as if we are wearing it on our hands,
writing it on our foreheads,
and displaying it on our doorposts.
Through Christ our Lord,
Amen.

SCRIPTURE
Mark 10:46-52
New Testament, page 44

HYMN
Giving God, We Pause and Wonder
See Insert

STANZAS 1 AND 2 SUNG SEATED AS THE CHILDREN COME FORWARD.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

HYMN
Giving God, We Pause and Wonder
See Insert

STANZAS 3 AND 4 SUNG SEATED AS THE CHILDREN RETURN TO THEIR SEATS.

SERMON
Giving Jesus a Chance

RESPONDING IN FAITH

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE LORD’S PRAYER
Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
All 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.

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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING
This Little Light of Mine
Traditional Spiritual
Arr. Benjamin A Tucker

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING
As we sing the following, those with birthdays in October are invited to come forward for a prayer of blessing.

WORDS: Samuel Longfellow
MUSIC: DEUS TUORUM MILITUM - Grenoble Antiphoner; adapt. by Ralph Vaughan Williams