PRESIDENT OF THE OFFERING
On direction, please stand as able and join the choir in singing as the gifts are brought to the communion table.

Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and

voices, who won-drous things hath done, in

whom his word re-joic-es; who from our mo-ther's arms hath

blessed us on our way with count-less gifts of love, and

still is ours to-day. A - men, a - men.

Words: Martin Rinckart; trans. by Catherine Winkworth
Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT - Johann Cruger

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION
* HYMN Bring Forth the Kingdom

CLOSING MUSIC

CHANCEL FLOWERS
The flowers are placed in thanksgiving for the clergy, staff, and congregation of FUMC Austin.

WORSHIP LEADERS
Preacher
Reverend Junius Dotson
Liturgists
Reverend Taylor Fuerst
Reverend Cathy Stone
Music Director/Organist
Scott Davis
Associate Conductor FUMC Choir
Mario Contreras

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.

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NOVEMBER 24, 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
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

INTROIT

Come, Great God of All the Ages

Scott Davis

Come, great God of all the ages, make your earthly mission known; speak through every deed and person, let your way and will be shown. Guide the church to true commitment, give direction now, we ask; fit us for the work of building, dedicate us to the task. Come, O come, in celebration, household of the one true God, in commitment and rejoicing let us go where Christ has trod.

As we act in faith and reverence, let us, Lord, the future see; place us in the church triumphant, now and for eternity.

Mary Jackson Cathey

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice in the Lord always! Again, I say rejoice!

Our Lord is good, and we are God’s people!

God’s steadfast love is eternal!

We will enter the gates of the Lord with praise and thanksgiving!

Give thanks to the Lord!

Bless God’s holy name!

Rejoice in the Lord always! Again, I say rejoice!

Bill Hoppe

* HYMN

660 God Is Here

OPENING PRAYER

ANTHEM

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Wyeth’s Repository of Sacred Music

Scott Davis

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I’m fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love. Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by thy help I’m come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Prone to wander Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the god I love; here’s my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood. O to grace how great a debtor daily I’m constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a letter, bind my wandering heart to thee.

Robert Robinson

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HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Father God,

teach us how to dance

to the rhythm of your wisdom;

show us how to laugh

with the insights of your truth,

so that we can live for the praise of your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PHILIPPIANS 4:4-8

Scripture

New Testament, page 187

SERMON

How to Be Thankful in Tough Times

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