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. Today, all gifts left on the rail will go to our ministries for women experiencing homelessness, At the Well and Cold Weather Shelter. For more information, see The Weekly.

COMMUNION HYMNS
623 Here, O My Lord, I See Thee
237 Sing We Now of Christmas
242 Love Came Down at Christmas

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

GOING OUT TO SERVE

BENEDICTION
HYMN 248 On This Day Earth Shall Ring

CLOSING MUSIC

CHANCEL FLOWERS
The flowers are placed in joyful recognition of this New Year!

WORSHIP LEADERS
Preacher
Reverend Taylor Fuerst
Liturgists
Reverend Cathy Stone and Dr. Brad King
Music Director/Organist
Scott Davis

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 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.

EPIPHANY SUNDAY
January 5, 2020
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

ENTERING THE HOLY

INTROIT
How Bright Appears the Morning Star
Philipp Nicolai
Arr. Johann Sebastian Bach

How bright appears the Morning Star, with mercy beaming from afar; the host of heaven rejoices. Rejoice, ye heavens; now earth, reply; let praise and glory fill the sky, for this his Incarnation. Jesus, Holy! Alleluia! Praise be given; great Emmanuel, come and hear us.

William Mercer, after Philipp Nicolai

* CALL TO WORSHIP
Arise, shine!
Your light has come.
The glory of the Lord shines like the sun.
Behold, the nations have come to witness God’s light.
Kings have come to behold Christ’s brightness.
Lift up your eyes and look around.
The glory of the Lord is all around.
Arise, shine!
Your light has come.

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* HYMN 254
We Three Kings

HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

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, February 2, 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
As With Gladness Men of Old
C. Kocher
Arr. David Willcocks

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.