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.

HYMN
* Baptized In Water

Words: Michael Saward, alt.
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Music: BUNESSAN - Gaelic melody

CLOSING MUSIC

CHANCEL FLOWERS
The flowers are placed in memory of and thanksgiving for the life of Helen Mae Fender Arend (1920-2005) by her daughter, Elizabeth Arend Lerner.

WORSHIP LEADERS
Preacher
Reverend Cathy Stone
Liturgists
Reverend Karen Vannoy
Dr. Brad King
Elizabeth Lerner
Cantor
Michael Carrillo
Piano
Susannah Willms
Violin
Evelyn Gullatt

BAPTISM OF THE LORD
January 12, 2020
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

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.

ENTERING THE HOLY

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Through the waters of baptism, God calls us to wade into the way of the Sacred.
In community, we are claimed as beloved and invited into new life.
The waters are sometimes calm, flowing slowly and easily. They remind us of who we are, together.
The waters are sometimes moving swiftly. They lead us in the direction of justice, with urgency and peace.
The waters are sometimes raging. They beckon us to live courageously, to choose practices of radical Love even as evil looms.
Throughout all of life’s changes and challenges, the promises of God uphold us.
We are claimed, eternally, as kin in Christ.

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* HYMN
Gather Us In

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
Spirit of God
Frederick C. Atkinson

*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

PRAYER AFTER REMEMBERING AND RECEIVING

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 January.
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.

* BENEEDICTION