



P E N T E C O S T

May 19, 2024
11:00AM

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 and other materials for children are available at the back of the Sanctuary. Our Family Room in the balcony offers rockers, books, toys, and a diaper change station for parents with infants and toddlers. Childcare is available from 8:45AM-12:15PM for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers in EDU Room 102.



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GATHERING AS THE CHURCH

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

GATHERING VOLUNTARY

Veni Creator Spiritus

Gregorian Chant

GREETING



As you prepare for worship, please greet your neighbors and fill out a Connections Card by scanning this QR code with your smartphone or use the printed version found in the pew in front of you. To let our pastors know about a prayer request for you or someone you love, use the QR code found on page 7 of this bulletin or place your card in the offering basket when it is passed.

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, Holy Spirit

Congolese Folk Song

Arr. Victor C. Johnson

Come, Holy Spirit, lead us with your mighty power,
fill now our hearts and souls with your consuming fire.
Come Holy Spirit, O Holy Spirit come!
O Spirit of the living God, O light and fire divine,
descend upon your church once more, and make it wholly thine.

Words: Victor C. Johnson, Henry H. Tweedy

Music: Congolese Folk Song; Arr. Victor C. Johnson

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* CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing a new song!
Make a joyful noise!
Let the sea roar,
and let the sky shimmer.
Let the earth be glad,
and let the children run and play.
Let the old laugh with deep wisdom.
Let the young listen, wide-eyed and wondering.
And let us worship God.

Beth Merrill Neel

OPENING PRAYER

MISSION EMPHASIS MOMENT

Youth Mission Trips

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Almighty God,
by your Holy Spirit,
illumine the sacred page, we pray,
that our minds may be open to receive your Word,
our hearts taught to love it,
and our wills strengthened to obey it;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Old Testament, page 764

HYMN 333

I'm Goin' a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing
Stanzas 1 and 4 sung seated as the children come forward.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Led by 4th and 5th Graders

HYMN 334

Sweet, Sweet Spirit
Sung seated as the children return to their seats.

SERMON

RESPONDING IN FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As we pray, please join in the response:
Shine into our lives, Beloved,
that we might light the world.

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.

INVITATION TO THE FAITH JOURNEY

Are you interested in what it means to be a member of First Church? First Steps is an informal gathering where you can meet the pastors and staff, learn about United Methodist beliefs, hear more about our many ministry opportunities, ask questions about this community of faith, and explore whether membership at First Church is your next step in faith. The next First Steps Class is Sunday, July 28, at 12:15PM in the FLC Garrison Chapel. Lunch is provided and childcare is available in EDU Room 102. To sign up, fill out a Connections Card and place it in the offering basket or go online at fumcaustin.org/firststeps.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING

Hail This Joyful Day's Return

Bohemian Brethren, Kirchengesang

Arr. Scott Davis

Hail this joyful day's return, hail the Pentecostal morn,
morn when our ascended Lord on his Church his Spirit poured!
Alleluia!

Like to cloven tongues of flame on the twelve the Spirit came—
tongues, that earth may hear their call, fire, that love may burn in all.

Alleluia!

Lord, to you your people bend; unto us your Spirit send;
blessings of this sacred day grant us, dearest Lord, we pray.

Alleluia!

You who did our forebears guide, with their children still abide;
grant us pardon, grant us peace, till our earthly wanderings cease.

Alleluia!

Words: Att. Hilary of Poitiers; Tran. Robert Campbell

Music: *Sonne der Gerrechtigkeit*, melody from Bohemian Brethren, Kirchengesang; Arr. Scott Davis

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* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all bles-sings flow; praise God, all crea - tures here be - low: Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Je - sus Christ, whose power up - lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia!"

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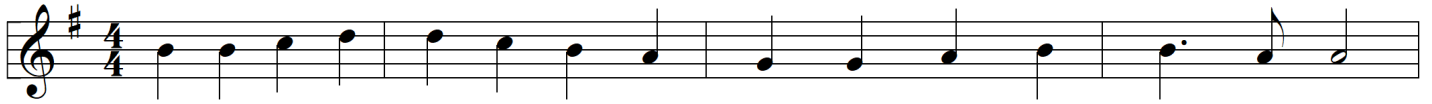
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GOING OUT TO SERVE

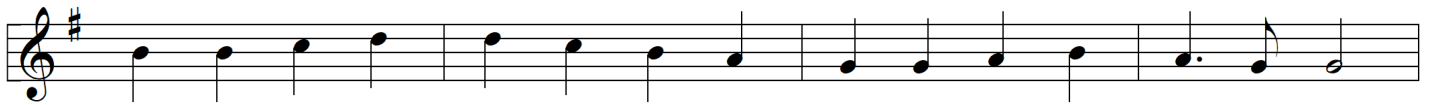
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* HYMN

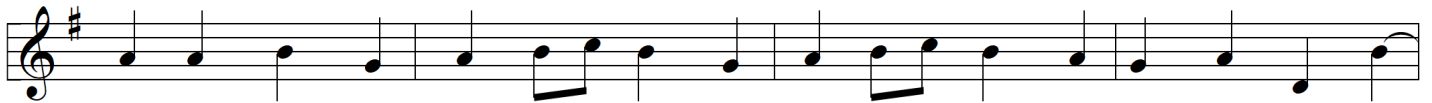
Holy Spirit, Wind of Heaven



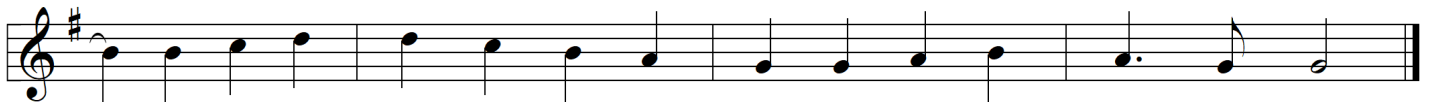
1. Ho - ly Spir - it, Wind of heav - en, Breath of life, our warmth and light,
2. Ho - ly Spir - it, flame of pas - sion, you who brought the Church to be,
3. Ho - ly Spir - it, Dove de - scend - ing, mind of Christ with - in us all;



pow - er of cre - a - tion, bring - ing hope - ful dawn from dark - est night:
re - cre - ate us as your Bod - y, ho - ly in our u - ni - ty.
speak your wis - dom, move a - mong us, help us hear your in - ner call.



You have birthed us, you have borne us, you have blessed us all our days, now
Fill us with your fierce com - pas - sion, gen - tle cour - age, trust, and peace; lead
Be the on - ly pow'r that moves us; be our life, O sing - ing Dove! Ho -



you fill our lungs with sing - ing; how you fill our hearts with praise!
us all to love each oth - er, make our sad di - vi - sions cease.
- ly Spir - it, come! Re - vive us! Fill us with your heart of love!

Words: Steve Garnaas-Holmes

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Music: *Ode to Joy*, Ludwig van Beethoven; Arr. Edward Hodges

VOLUNTARY

Symphonie V: Toccata

Charles-Marie Widor

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The chancel flowers are placed in celebration of At the Well, our ministry of care and compassion with unhoused women, which celebrates five years of community on May 23.

We give thanks for the many volunteers who have made this milestone in ministry possible.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Liturgist

Reverend Cathy Stone

Music

Scott Davis

Percussion

Farbod Farzian

PRAYER REQUEST



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 Peak Parking Garage (owned by the Texas Trial Lawyers Association) at the southwest corner of 13th and Lavaca Streets or at open meters around the church. The garage is open from 7:00AM-2:30PM.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00-10:45 AM

ADULTS

Our classes offer adults a wide selection of age groups, study topics, and learning styles. Many classes are meeting in person and online. To find class contact information, visit fumcaustin.org/sundayschool.

YOUTH

Sunday School for 6th through 12th grade begins in the Great Hall of the Family Life Center. We gather for announcements and then split into middle school and high school groups. Learn more at fumcaustin.org/youth.

CHILDREN

Sunday School begins at 10:00AM and parents may take their children directly to their classrooms after getting a guardian sticker and their child's name tag from one of our check in stations. Learn more at fumcaustin.org/children.

GIVING

Cash or checks will be received during the offertory. We offer three convenient ways to give online: (1) through the FUMC App on your smart phone; (2) make an online donation at fumcaustin.org/giving; and/or (3) text FUMCAUSTIN (all caps) to 73256 on your smartphone and follow the prompts. Once your number is registered, future gifts are easier to make.