

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING



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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GOING OUT TO SERVE

* BENEDICTION

* **HYMN 581** Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

VOLUNTARY

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flowers are placed by Larry Biegert and Melissa Langley Biegert in honor of Austin Rees Biegert and Jenna Elaine Timmerman Biegert for their marriage on May 4 and for their college graduations this month.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Dr. Brad King

Liturgist: Reverend Taylor Fuerst

Music Director/Organist: Scott Davis

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 Lawyers Association garage at the southwest corner of 13th and Lavaca Streets or 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. Many classes are meeting in person and online. To find class contact information, visit fumcaustin.org/sundayschool.

YOUTH

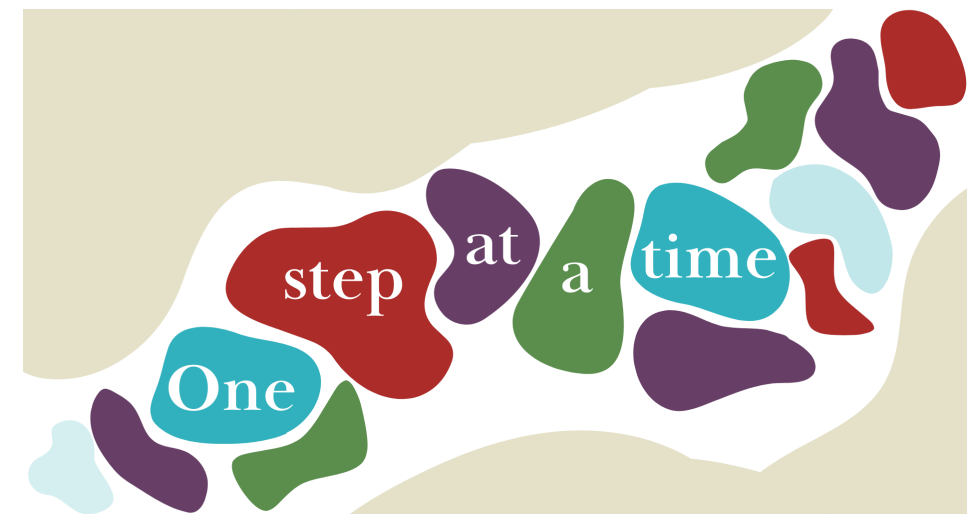
Sunday School for 6th through 12th grade begins in the Great Hall of the Family Life Center. We gather for announcements and then split into middle school and high school groups to awaken to God's word through fellowship and study. Learn more at fumcaustin.org/youth.

CHILDREN

Sunday School for Kindergarten through 5th grade begins at 9:45 a.m. in Wesley Hall. We gather for Bible stories, songs, and games. 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.



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 15, 2022

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

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 9:00-12:15 p.m. for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers in EDU Room 104.



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GATHERING AS THE CHURCH

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

GATHERING VOLUNTARY

GREETING

All are invited to greet those around them and to fill out the Connections Card included in your bulletin.

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 Allelu Mimi Farra

Come and bless, come and praise,
come and praise the living God.
Allelu, allelu, alleluia, Jesus Christ.
Come and seek, come and find,
come and find the living God.
Allelu, allelu, alleluia, Jesus Christ.
Come and hear, come and know,
come and know the living God.
Allelu, allelu, alleluia, Jesus Christ.

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* CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather together in love and in hope!
The love of Christ is at work in our hearts!

We sing together of the joy that we share!
The love of Christ calls us together!

We cry out together for the justice we need!
The love of Christ is at work in the world!

We shine, together, in the love of our savior!
The love of Christ shines in our lives.

Come and worship the one who unites us in love!

* HYMN 166 All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine

OPENING PRAYER

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Elinore Isabella Garza

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HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O Lord,
open the eyes and ears of our hearts,
that we may hear the words of challenge and comfort
that the Spirit brings us this morning.
Amen.

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:43-48 New Testament, page 5

HYMN 451 Be Thou My Vision
Stanza 1 sung seated
as the children come forward.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

HYMN 451 Be Thou My Vision
Stanzas 2 and 3 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:
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

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 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, May 22, at 12:15PM in the FLC Great Hall. To sign up, fill out the Connections Card and place it in the offering plate; go online at fumcaustin.org/firststeps; or email Amy Wink at amy@fumcaustin.org. To reserve childcare, contact Jen Seibel at jen@fumcaustin.org no later than 4:00PM on Tuesday, May 17.

MISSION EMPHASIS MOMENT

Mobile Loaves & Fishes

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING To Us All to Every Nation David Stanley York

To us all to every nation
comes the moment to decide,
in the strife of truth with falsehood,
for the good or evil side.
By the light of burning martyrs,
Christ your bleeding feet we track,
toiling up new Calvaries ever
with the cross that turns not back.
Though the cause of evil prosper,
yet ‘tis truth alone is strong;
though its portion be the scaffold,
and upon the throne be wrong:
yet that scaffold sways the future,
and, behind the dim unknown,
God is standing in the shadow,
keeping watch beside God’s own.
Amen.

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