



*June 30, 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

### 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 6 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

I Will Sing

Max Dyer

I will sing a song unto the Lord.  
Alleluia, glory to the Lord.  
We will come as one before the Lord.

Words: Max Dyer

Music: *Pulkingham*, Max Dyer

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### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Let all who yearn for connection,  
all who hunger for justice and thirst for bodily renewal,  
come and be replenished.

**With hope and expectation,  
we bring all that our soul’s desire.**

Let everyone weary from isolation  
or overwhelmed by life's troubles  
come and find rest in God's care.

**All those who come seeking community  
are received in Holy Embrace.**

May the presence and provision of God be manifest among us  
that all may have what they need.

**We come to give,  
we come to receive,  
we come to grow in love.**

\* HYMN 400

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, Word made flesh,  
let us come to this word open to being surprised.

**Silence our agendas;  
banish our assumptions;  
cast out our casual detachment.**

Confound our expectations;  
clear the cobwebs from our ears;  
penetrate the corners of our hearts with this word.

**We know that you can,  
we pray that you will,  
and we wait with great anticipation.**

**Amen.**

### SCRIPTURE

John 4: 7-19, 25-30, 39-42

New Testament, page 90

### HYMN 572

Pass It On

*Stanza 1 sung seated as the children come forward.*

### TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

**HYMN 572**

Pass It On

*Stanza 3 sung seated as the children return to their seats.*

**SERMON**

Awakening

## **RESPONDING IN FAITH**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*As we pray, please join in the response:*

Wellspring of 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 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](http://fumcaustin.org/firststeps).*

# PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## OFFERING

## You Do Not Walk Alone

Elaine Hagenberg

May you see God's light on the path ahead  
when the road you walk is dark.  
May you always hear, even in your hour of sorrow,  
the gentle singing of the lark.  
When times are hard may hardness never turn your heart to stone,  
may you always remember when the shadows fall  
you do not walk alone.

Words: Trad. Irish Blessing

Music: Elaine Hagenberg

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## \* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

Praise God, from whom all bles-sings flow; praise God, all crea-tures here be-low:  
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! 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! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Words: Thomas Ken; Adapt. Gilbert H. Vieira

Music: *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*, Geistliche Kirchengesänge; Harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams

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# GOING OUT TO SERVE

## \* BENEDICTION

## \* HYMN 369

Blessed Assurance

## VOLUNTARY

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## CHANCEL FLOWERS

The chancel flowers are placed in honor of all of God's beloved LGBTQ+ children who are a part of this faith community.

## WORSHIP LEADERS

*Preacher:* Reverend Cathy Stone

*Liturgist:* Reverend John Hathaway

*Music:* Scott Davis

## 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**

**10:00-10:45AM**

### **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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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.

