



**June 9, 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.

LEARN MORE AT
www.fumcaustin.org

GATHERING AS THE CHURCH

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

GATHERING VOLUNTARY Three Hymn Tune Preludes:

O Waly Waly

Christopher Tambling

Brother James' Air

John Marsh

St. Columba

Quentin Thomas

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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

Let's Sing Unto the Lord

Carlos Rosas / Arr. Raquel Mora Martinez

Let's sing unto the Lord a hymn of adoration,
which shows our love and faith and the hope of all creation.
Through all that has been made,
the Lord is praised for greatness,
and so we sing to God, who bestows such lovely blessings.
Alleluia! Let's sing unto the Lord.

Words: Carlos Rosas; Trans. Roberto Escamilla, Elise S. Eslinger, George Lockwood

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Music: *Rosas*, Carlos Rosas; Arr. Raquel Mora Martinez

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*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

We come to worship the God who created us.

We are people made in the image of God!

And what is God like?

God is gentle and wise,

full of peace and full of mercy.

We come to worship the God who is creating us.

God is making us gentle and wise,

full of peace and full of mercy.

Thanks be to God in Jesus Christ!

*** HYMN 77**

How Great Thou Art

Stanzas 1 and 2

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord,

open our hearts and minds

by the power of your Holy Spirit,

that as the Scriptures are read

and your Word is proclaimed,

we may hear with joy

what you say to us today.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE

James 3:13-18

New Testament, page 214

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON

RESPONDING IN FAITH

PASTORAL 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.

COMMISSIONING OF VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL LEADERS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING

Voluntary on: Maccabeus

Richard Shephard

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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

BIRTHDAY BLESSING

Let us pray:

God, our gracious Creator,

we give you thanks for the gift of life

to these who celebrate their birthdays in June.

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.

*** BENEDICTION**

*** HYMN 558**

We Are the Church

Stanzas 1, 2, and 4

VOLUNTARY

Voluntary on: Gwalchmai

Herbert Chappell

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CHANCEL FLOWERS

The chancel flowers are placed by Steve and Dixie Houston in honor of her sister Shelby's 71st birthday.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher

Melissa Spence

Liturgist

Reverend Cathy Stone

Music

Susannah Willms

Scripture Reader

Jen Seibel, Assistant Director of Children's Ministry

Cantors

Courtney Katzmeyer-Vielma

Christina Whitford

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.

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.

