Church News

CHURCH NEWS
NEW MEMBERS

Dave Ballbach

Kevin and Ashton Brooks

Jeff Jackson, pictured with wife, Reverend Cathy Stone

Austin Kosater and Cassidy Sansone

Sarah Taylor

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PRAYER

WITHIN OUR CONGREGATION

Stephanie Benold; Sandy Bowles; Herb and Shirley Canada; Jeremy and Victoria Grogan; Doug Hagemeier; Marcia Houston; Nancy Littlejohn; Marla Loucks; Sue Norris; Mari Perez; Debbie Rippeteau; and Dan Wood.

Congratulations: to Evan and Lindsey Austry on the birth of their child, Crew Alan Austry; to Stephen and Kathy Billiott on the birth of their grandchild, Auden Frank Garrett; to Bob and Judy Breekbil on the birth of their grandchild, Chandler Jean Breekbil; and to Mike and Cheryl Ete on the birth of their grandchild, Julius James Ete. Condolences to Bob Garrett on the death of his father, James Leo Garrett, and to LaQuasha Harris on the death of her father.

BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION

Curt Ashmos’ friend, Elissa Marek; Grady Basler’s sister, Tonya Basler Stout; Tracey Beall; Cheryl’s niece, Lauren Stafford; Bob Block’s friend, Tim Sullivan; Jim and Janelle Brown; George Barnette; Pay Brown’s sister, Jo Rene Aulfen; Molly DeLeon’s daughter, Danielle Mersonsky; George Gaston’s friend, Dr. Robert Wootton; Gina Harper’s nephew, Bradley Bone; Mary Heffmann’s sister-in-law, Susi Tyler; Marcia Houston’s mother, Johnnie; Sammy Hufnaker’s friends, the Graham Jones family; Charlyn Loera’s and Jazmin Kent-Loera’s friend, Wilma; Charlyn Loera’s and Jazmin Kent-Loera’s sister, Jolin; Liz Kilby’s friend, Emilia Williams; Melanie Miller’s and Jen Stuart’s father, Doak Thomas; Andrew Pyle’s aunt, Mary; Cindy Reindahl’s friends, Carly and Colton Wimberly; Kent Schuster’s brother, Stan Schuster; Glen and Sandy Wilkerson’s friend, Carol Hall; and Dick Young’s nephew, Jeff Young.

Sign Up for Altar Flowers

Honor someone you love and appreciate, remember a departed loved one, or celebrate special days or events in your life or the life of the church. The arrangement cost is $65 and available dates for the next few months are March 29; April 19 and 26; and May 3, 10, 17, and 24. To sign up, contact Tami Kellberg at tami@fumcaustin.org or 512-478-5684 (ext. 226).

Join Our Team!

WE’RE HIRING

Looking for supplemental income? We are adding two part-time custodial positions to our staff. The first position is for 20 hours per week (mid-day, Sunday through Thursday). The second position is for 10 hours per week (mornings/slap, Friday and Saturday). If you or someone you know is interested, visit fumcaustin.org/hiring or contact Dave Ballbach, Director of Operations, at dave@fumcaustin.org.

Book Sale

Our Discipleship Team is selling copies of Robin DiAngelo’s book, White Fragility: Why It’s So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism, today and next Sunday, February 23. This book will serve as the foundation for our Lenten focus on the Spiritual Work of Resisting Racism, and we are encouraging all members to read it. Books are $15. They will also be available from the church office during the week or by contacting Emily Buchanan at emily@fumcaustin.org.

MOBILE LOAVES & FISHES (MLF) 3RD SUNDAY

4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., SAW MLF Kitchen

MLF serves daily, but this day is for those who want to try face-to-face service working with experienced volunteers. Join the Make-Ready Team from 4:00-5:00 p.m. (preparing food and loading truck) and/or the Truck Team from 5:00-6:30 p.m. (delivering food around Austin).

Sanctuary Foyer

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Manna Bag Sale

9:30-11:00 a.m. Sidewalk

Our 4th and 5th graders show the love of Christ to those in need through the making and selling of Manna Bags for a $5 donation, with proceeds going towards the purchase of more supplies. Bags contain nutritious snacks, a pair of socks, and a note with God’s blessing. You can buy a bag to hand out to those you see on your path or donate toward additional bags that are heavily needed at the front office during the week. Your generosity helps fund this weekly part of our Manna Bag Ministry here at FUMC!

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**FEBRUARY 23, SATURDAY**

**General Conference Briefing**
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Pastor Taylor will lead a briefing about the state of the United Methodist Church and the proposals likely to be voted on at Annual Conference in May.

**Baptism Class**
12:15 p.m., EDU Room 108
Are you ready to have your child Baptized? Pastor Taylor Fuerst and Lara Greene host this class to learn about our beliefs about Baptism, logistical information about scheduling and service preparation, and ways to help your child live the Baptized life. This class is required for those preparing for a child's Baptism. To register, indicate your interest on the Connections Card during worship or online at fumcaustin.org/baptismclass.

**FEAST for Young Adults**
7:00-8:30 p.m., FLC Garrison Chapel

FEAST is a monthly dinner for young adults (roughly ages 20–45) to build community and dig into the more difficult side of faith together. Led by Dr. Brad King, FEAST is a modern take on the most ancient form of Christian communal worship: the love feast. In addition to delicious food, these meetings are focused on creating meaningful and personal interactions among individuals seeking more connection and engagement in a faith-interested atmosphere. Register at fumcaustin.org/feast.

**FEBRUARY 25, TUESDAY**

**Virtual Webinar**
12:15 p.m., EDU Room 108
Join us as we work to be anti-racists, seeking to undo racism in ourselves and to recognize and understand our participation in systemic racism. This group meets monthly and is currently watching and discussing the video web series. The Next Question: Imagining How Expansive Racial Justice Can Look is hosted and produced by Austin Channing Brown and co-hosted by Jenny Booth Potter and Chi Chi Okwu. Register at fumcaustin.org/conversations.

**FEBRUARY 26, WEDNESDAY**

**Worship Services**
7:00 a.m. and 12:10 and 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary
Sanctuary Worship Services during worship or online at fumcaustin.org.

**Church Parking Lot**
7:00–11:00 a.m., FLC
Church and the proposals likely to be voted on at Annual Conference in May.

**Join us for dinner and fellowship prior to our evening Ash Wednesday worship**

6:00–8:00 p.m., FLC Great Hall
Celebrate the loving relationships in your life with a fun evening of dancing and fellowship. DJ, door prizes, photo booth, snacks, and memory-making included. All are welcome—children, friends, spouses, parents/grandparents, and partners-in-crime. Special prizes for most years of an Illusion," examine concepts from Eric Robin DiAngelo’s White Fragility, of an Illusion," examine concepts from Eric Robin DiAngelo’s and promote understanding of an Illusion," examine concepts from Eric Robin DiAngelo’s White Fragility, and promote understanding of how expansive racial justice can look. Register at fumcaustin.org/conversations.

**EVERYDAY LIFE**

**Sanctuary Worship Services**
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Returning Sunday School Classes for All Ages
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Resisting Racism Sunday School Class Begins
10:00-11:45 a.m., SAN Wesley Hall
We are excited to announce the start of our new Resisting Racism Sunday School Class! This class will be offered on the first Sunday of the month and is designed for individuals of all ages who want to examine concepts from White Fragility, of an Illusion," examine concepts from Eric Robin DiAngelo’s White Fragility, and promote understanding of an Illusion," examine concepts from Eric Robin DiAngelo’s White Fragility, and promote understanding of how expansive racial justice can look. Register at fumcaustin.org/conversations.