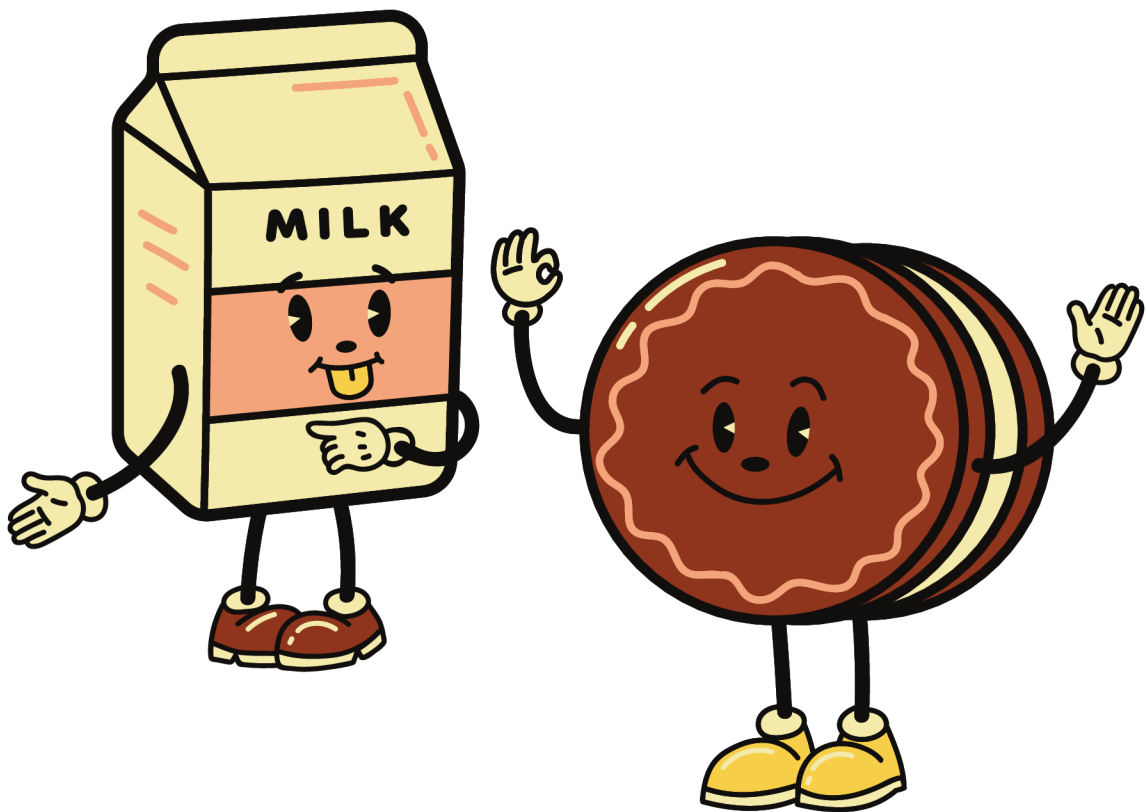


# MINISTRY MENU

FIND YOUR MATCH





# DEAR MIDTOWN,

One of the most beautiful things about God is that he serves others. Philippians 2 tells us that Jesus, "being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant."

In a world that values getting people to serve you, Jesus demonstrated that God does the exact opposite. Though he has all the power, he chose to lay down his life for us.

The way Jesus served us is much more than just a good example to follow. Jesus' service is actually what empowers and equips us to serve others. Through his death and resurrection, he has freed our hearts to love Him and live for others. Because of Jesus, we can say, along with Psalm 119:32, "I run in the path of your commands, for you have set my heart free."

In addition, through Jesus' service, we have been gifted with the ability to serve others in his name. He has given us the Holy Spirit and he has given us spiritual gifts. Now, we are called to "use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." (1 Peter 4:10)

We have put together this Ministry Menu to help you identify ways to use the gifts you have received from God to serve others. It contains a list of ways you can serve our church family and/or our city this coming year.

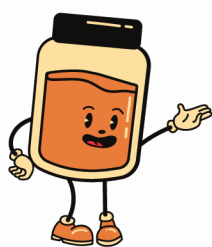
Our hope is that you will "find your match" as you prayerfully consider how God has gifted you to serve others. When you do, you can sign up to join that service team by following the instructions at the end of this booklet.

Our prayer is that God's love and service will continue to compel each of us to practice the way of Jesus together. For as we become more like Jesus, Austin will become more like heaven.

May his kingdom come,  
Jake Box

JESUS CALLED THEM TOGETHER AND SAID,  
"YOU KNOW THAT THOSE WHO ARE REGARDED AS  
RULERS OF THE GENTILES LORD IT OVER THEM,  
AND THEIR HIGH OFFICIALS EXERCISE  
AUTHORITY OVER THEM.

NOT SO WITH YOU.



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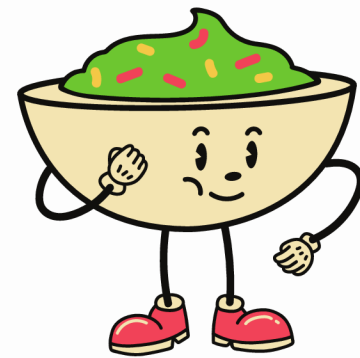
WHOEVER WANTS TO BECOME GREAT  
AMONG YOU MUST BE YOUR SERVANT,  
AND WHOEVER WANTS TO BE FIRST  
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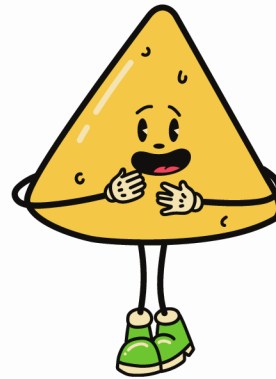
FOR EVEN THE SON OF MAN  
DID NOT COME TO BE SERVED,  
BUT TO SERVE, AND TO GIVE HIS  
LIFE AS A RANSOM FOR MANY."

MARK 10:42-25

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# TEAMS THAT SERVE OUR CHURCH FAMILY

*Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.*

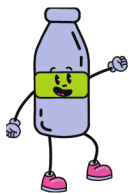
1 JOHN 4:11

# KIDTOWN TEAM

This team loves and serves our children and families. Teams of 2 or 3 volunteers work together in a class to teach our kids or care for our babies.

Lessons and supplies are prepared for you.

**COMMITMENT:** Serve on a rotation of 2 weeks on and 4 weeks off for the next ministry year. Attend the Midtown Kids Training on Sunday, September 7th.



## SERVING ROLES:



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

### NURSERY (INFANTS & 1 YEAR OLDS)

Tend to the needs of babies (feeding, changing diapers, soothing, and playing) while praying for each little one.

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### CLASS 1 (2 & 3 YEAR OLDS)

Follow a simple lesson plan aimed to engage toddlers with the gospel through play, music, storytelling, crafts, and prayer.

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### CLASS 2 (PRE-K)

Follow a provided lesson plan aimed to engage older toddlers with the gospel using games, Bible teaching, music, prayer, and crafts.

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### CLASS 3 (KINDERGARTEN & 1ST GRADE)

Follow a provided lesson plan aimed to help you make Jesus' love known in a fun and engaging way.

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### CLASS 4 (2ND TO 5TH GRADE)

Follow a provided lesson plan aimed to help you make Jesus' love known in a fun and engaging way while modeling for them what it looks like to trust Jesus.

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### CHECK-IN VOLUNTEERS

Greet parents and kids and help parents get their kids checked-in securely. Check-in volunteers serve from 10:15am to 10:45am.

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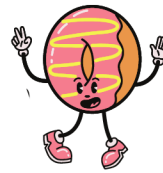
# HOSPITALITY TEAMS

These teams work together to make our worship gatherings welcoming and to provide care for our church family.

**COMMITMENT:** Volunteers serve once to twice a month, depending on the team. Training is required for Greeters, Connections, and Tech Teams.



## SERVING ROLES:



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

### GREETER TEAM

This team greets people as they arrive on Sunday mornings, distributes the connection cards, and helps people feel seen and welcomed. Volunteers serve twice a month.

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### CONNECTIONS TEAM

This team initiates conversations with visitors before worship, during the coffee break, and after worship, with the aim of helping them connect with a Midtown Community. Volunteers serve twice a month.

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### A/V & TECH TEAM

This team runs sound and slides and helps stream the service online. No experience necessary. Training provided.

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### TREATS TEAM

This team brings the tasty treats we enjoy on Sunday mornings. They purchase or prepare small snacks to serve about 30 people. Volunteers serve once a month.

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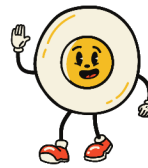
# MORE HOSPITALITY TEAMS

These teams work together to make our worship gatherings welcoming and to provide care for our church family.

**COMMITMENT:** Volunteers serve twice a month.  
Training is required for the Security Team.



**SERVING  
ROLES:**



**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED:**

## SECURITY TEAM

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This team works to make Sunday mornings safe and welcoming by watching the front and back doors during our worship gathering and keeping a protective eye on Kidtown and the congregation. They are part of a text chain on Sunday mornings to communicate with each other, and two people serve at the doors each Sunday. The security team serves once a month.

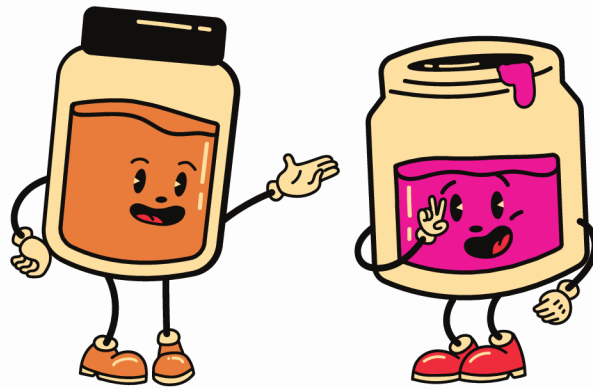
## CLEANUP TEAM

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This team serves from 12:00-12:30 on Sundays to clean up after our worship gathering. They clean up the coffee and snack tables, clean communion trays, pick up communion cups, and gather outdoor signs. Volunteers serve twice a month.

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# TEAMS THAT SERVE OUR COMMUNITY

*If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture,  
“Love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing right.*

**JAMES 2:8**

# SERVE AUSTIN TEAMS

Volunteer with a non-profit we support and/or the local school we serve.

**COMMITMENT:** The time commitment and training requirements vary depending on the team you join. Each team requires and provides training.



## SERVING ROLES:



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

### READING PARTNER AT RIDGETOP ELEMENTARY

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Reading Partners will be paired with one or two Ridgetop Elementary students and will read with each student weekly to help them begin reading on grade level. The commitment is for one hour, one day a week, during the school year.

### REFUGEE MINISTRY

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Midtown works with two organizations, World Relief and More Than Welcome, to provide a comprehensive support system for refugee families. Volunteers become American friends they can rely on for care and support by meeting the practical needs of families as they settle into Austin.

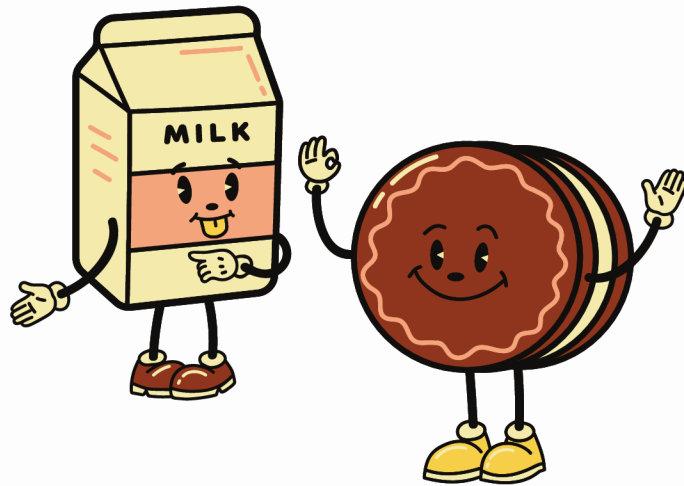
### SAFE FAMILIES

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Safe Families pairs volunteers with families in crisis to build a circle of support for children and parents. Volunteers have the opportunity to serve by hosting children in their homes for a short period of time, offering counsel and care to parents, or providing resources that the family needs.

### AUSTIN DISASTER RELIEF NETWORK (ADRN)

ADRN is a trained network of churches offering physical, emotional, and spiritual support to disaster survivors to meet short and long-term needs. Volunteer with teams from Midtown this fall as we serve the families in central Texas that the floods have impacted.



# FOUND YOUR MATCH?

USE THE QR CODE BELOW TO SIGN-UP!



Scan the code and fill out the Connect Form to let us know you are willing to serve!

*We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.*

**1 THESSALONIANS 1:2-3**



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