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WORSHIP

Road Trip

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July 7th

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
Galatians 6:1-16

July 14th

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Amos 7:7-10
Luke 10:25-37

July 21st

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Colossians 1:15-28
Luke 10:38-42

July 28th

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Luke 11:1-13
Sarah Lusche preaching

Lay Worship Leader for July:
Chris Boylen

There is a time in our lives when taking a road trip feels like a right of passage. It might mark the transition from adolescence to adulthood. It can allow us to “see” the world. A road trip can take on mythic proportions, like when we made the trip of a lifetime driving over a thousand miles. It is the source of running jokes and well-worn memories, like the time we saw the largest ball of twine in Cawker City, Kansas.

In addition to these things, a road trip can also inform our faith. It is even essential, as we “see” the world from a different perspective. As Sister Macrina Wiederkehr writes, “There is a road that runs straight through the heart. Walk on it.” A road trip can help us discover the road that runs straight through our heart because God is found on the journey.

All of life is a journey, so each journey of our lives is instructive. We discover this in Celtic spirituality, as Esther de Waal describes it, “I shall not find Christ at the end of the journey unless he accompanies me along the way.” The road trips of our lives teach us to pay attention, which can help us pay attention to the presence of Christ on the journey of life.

There are many road trips taking place this summer, visiting families or cities, monuments or destinations. We are traveling by car and plane on adventures and vacations. The church is also taking several road trips, which are quite significant!

Our youth and children are traveling to Passport Camps this July. They are loading up the church bus and taking a road trip to South Carolina, where the theme of the week will be “Fearless.” In the face of fear, faith leads us to courage, humility, kindness, grace, hope, and perseverance. We learn that we belong to God, and we learn about the sacred journey of loving our neighbor. The experience of a road trip can teach us to be fearless!

Our church will also take its longest road trip of the year, as our mission team, including members from other churches, will travel to Brazil to build a church, distribute glasses, and care for children at Vacation Bible School. They will cover many miles by plane and car, tending to the needs of others and connecting with people around the world.

The road trip of faith takes us to new places and teaches us deep lessons about fear and faith, service and mission! We hold everyone traveling on a road trip in our prayers, as we look forward to sharing in their experiences once they return home!

REMINDERS

Promotion Sunday

August 11th

Pancake Breakfast

9:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Bibles, Trees, & Backpacks

11:00 a.m., Worship Service

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Our Mission: Believing the Spirit of God is alive in each one of us and in the world, we affirm that the mission of Auburn First Baptist Church is: to glorify God as the Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer of life; to call all people to God through Christ as Savior and Lord; to enable all people to be more like Jesus.

Thursday Activities

Resumes Thursday, August 1st

August 1st - Business Meeting

Dinner catered. Make reservations by Tuesday at noon!

August 8th - Passport Reflections

Potluck, chicken provided.

Quarterly Business Meeting

Our next Quarterly Business Meeting will be Thursday, August 1st at 5:45 p.m. The Agenda items will be the *Nominating Committee Report, Trust Fund Report and recommendations from the Trustees, recommendation for the Safe Place Child Protection Policy and addition of Members to Committee on Committees.*

Update from CBF

The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship hosted its annual General Assembly in Birmingham on June 19-21. It was a great meeting with several significant moments. Francis Ford, Director of Sowing Seeds of Hope in Perry County, Alabama, was given the Trailblazer Award from the Emmanuel McCall Racial Justice and Leadership Initiative. Suzii Paynter was recognized for her years of service as the Executive Director of CBF from 2013-2018, as she takes a position with Pastors for Texas Children, a non-profit organization that advocates for public schools. Paul Baxley began his tenure as Executive Director, making commitments to the local church and to global missions. Many partners of the CBF were present, including but not limited to Passport, Baptist Joint Committee, Baptist News Global, Nurturing Faith, as well as many seminaries. We are thankful for the connections we have through the CBF and how we can do more together than we can on our own!

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Round Table

Sundays at 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

"The Calling of Faith"

Led by Tripp Martin

Begins Sunday, August 11th

Connecting Faith and Family

Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Fishers' Classroom

Begins Sunday, August 11th

Children's Choirs (3* year olds – 5th Grade)

Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Education Building

**We ask that all attendees be potty trained.*

Resumes August 11.

Bible Encounter (1st – 5th graders)

Sundays, 6:00 p.m., Education Building

Resumes August 11.

Passport Kids Camp

July 16-19, 2019

Converse College in Spartanburg, South Carolina
Students 3rd-5th grade

**Preschool Pool Party**

Saturday, July 27th

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Solamere Subdivision Pool

(Located off Hwy 14 on Frontier Circle)

Lunch will be provided. Remember to bring swimming gear, towels, and a change of clothes.

Parents Night Out: Bowling

Sunday, July 21st

Parents of children ages preschool through 5th grade are invited to enjoy dinner and bowling on Sunday, July 21 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Good Times in Auburn. Childcare will be provided at the church beginning at 4:45 p.m., and parents will meet at Good Times for an opportunity to enjoy time with other parents in the church. A snack supper will be provided for children. Cost for bowling and shoes will be approximately \$13. Please let the church office know by Wednesday, July 17 if you and your family will attend. Email kristina@auburnfbc.org, or call 334-887-8506.

Sanctuary Choir will not meet for rehearsal during July.

Practice will resume on August 1st.

Meals for Tuesday Night Bible Study

Starts Tuesday, August 20th

The fall semester at Auburn University is fast approaching, and that means college Tuesday night Bible study will be starting soon! Our first Tuesday night Bible study will be on August 20th. Please support our college ministry by providing a meal for our students. Help us welcome students to our church and invest in their lives by signing up to bring supper this semester. Thank you!

If you are interested in preparing a home cooked meal for our College Tuesday Night Bible Study this fall, please email Laura at laura@auburnfbc.org or contact the church office at 334-887-8506.

Bible Study & Breakfast

Sundays, 10:15 a.m.

College Room (Activities Building)

YOUTH S O S

July 14, 6:00 p.m.

TBA

July 21, 6:00 p.m.

With Holy Trinity at Town Creek Park
1150 S Gay St, Auburn, AL 36832

July 28, Depart from AFBC at 12:00 p.m.
Lake Martin

Passport Missions Camp

July 1-6, 2019

Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina

Volunteer with Campus Kitchens

Tuesdays in July

Meet at 2:30 p.m. in the Gay Street parking lot.

Youth Bibles

Our youth Bibles are an important part of our youth ministry at AFBC. Youth receive a new Bible when they enter 6th grade. They use these Bibles throughout their time in the youth ministry of Auburn First Baptist, studying them during Sunday School and Youth Sunday Nights, taking them along to camps and retreats, making notes in them as they learn and grow in their faith. When students graduate from high school, they are presented with their youth Bibles to take with them as they continue their journey of life and faith. We hope these Bibles will represent a sense of rootedness in faith for our young people.

As we approach a new school year, we invite our church family to purchase Bibles for the new group of students joining our youth ministry. Students will receive a letter letting them know who sponsored their Bible. They will know that you and your family have chosen to support their faith journey by providing a Bible for them. In this way, the Bibles will serve as an intergenerational connection point among members of our church. The Bibles will be NRSV, bonded leather, and will have the student's name on the front cover. Total cost is \$30.00 per Bible. Please prayerfully consider providing a Bible for one (or more) of our youth. Thank you!

Names for the Bibles:

Khristopher Stoeckel

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Every Sunday

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Monday - 1st

Passport Youth Depart..... Gay Street lot 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday - 2nd

Dayfriends Chappy's Deli 11:45 a.m.

Thursday - 4th

*Church Office Closed
No Evening Activities*

Saturday - 6th

Brazil Mission Depart..... Gay Street lot 9:15 a.m.

Passport Youth Return..... Gay Street lot 4:00 p.m.

Sunday - 7th

No Evening Activities

Tuesday - 9th

Youth at Campus Kitchens Gay Street lot 2:30 p.m.

Caring Hands Fellowship Hall 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday - 10th

CDC Committee Meeting Library 5:45 p.m.

Thursday - 11th

Stewardship Committee Meeting.. Library 5:00 p.m.

No Evening Activities

Sunday - 14th

College Committee Meeting Library 12:00 p.m.

Youth S.O.S..... TBA 6:00 p.m.

No Evening Activities

Tuesday - 16th

Passport Kids Depart Gay Street lot 5:30 a.m.

PrimeTimers lunch..... Fellowship Hall 11:00 a.m.

Dayfriends Little Italy 11:45 a.m.

Youth at Campus Kitchens Gay Street lot 2:30 p.m.

Deacons' Meeting..... Seekers' Room 6:30 p.m.

Thursday - 18th

No Evening Activities

Friday - 19th

Passport Kids Return Gay Street lot 6:00 p.m.

Sunday - 21st

Youth Committee Meeting Youth Room 12:00 p.m.

Parents' Night Out..... Good Times 5:00 p.m.

Youth S.O.S..... Town Creek 6:00 p.m.

No Evening Activities

Monday - 22nd

Brazil Mission Team Returns Gay Street lot 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 23rd

Youth at Campus Kitchens Gay Street lot 2:30 p.m.

Caring Hands Fellowship Hall 5:30 p.m.

Thursday - 25th

No Evening Activities

Saturday - 27th

Preschool Pool Party..... Solamere Pool 10:00 a.m.

Sunday - 28th

Youth S.O.S..... Lake Martin 12:00 p.m.

No Evening Activities

Tuesday - 30th

Dayfriends Newk's 11:45 a.m.

Youth at Campus Kitchens Gay Street lot 2:30 p.m.

Thursday - 1st

Thursday Dinner Resumes..... Fellowship Hall 5:15 p.m.

Quarterly Business Meeting..... Fellowship Hall 5:45 p.m.

**We will only have one newsletter for the month of July.*



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MISSIONS

Help our Brasil Mission Team!

Below is a *list of items* the mission team will need for the children of Brasil. Please place donations for this project in the bucket provided in the hallway outside the church office.

Items needed include: coloring books and crayons, pencils, small pencil sharpeners, ball point pens, six inch rulers, individually wrapped chewing gum, bubble gum and hard candy (no chocolate), baseball type caps, stickers (smiley faces, etc), quart size zipper storage bags, toothbrushes, toothpaste, t-shirts, and work gloves.



Leaving July 6th
Returning July 22nd

Serving the Month of July

Greeters: Candy Enkeboll & Todd Miller

Visitors: Mike & Julie McClanahan

Offering: Pilgrims

Serving July 7, 2019

Counters: Charles Segrest, Bill Webster, James Nichols

Sound & Light: Michael Cline

Extended Session: Amanda Oliver, Jeannie Bumgardner, Lesly Odom, Ashley Aston, Sue Walker, Mark Wilson

Loaves & Fishes: Teresa Vest

Serving July 14, 2019

Counters: Dwayne Beckett, Lois Graves, Bill Faurot

Sound & Light: Gary Cantini

Extended Session: Beth Smith, Lynn Eden, Lee McInnis, Jason Summers, Julie McClanahan, Katharine Martin

Loaves & Fishes: Cathy Summers

Serving July 21, 2019

Counters: Flarcie Hopkins, Helen Bearden, Bill McIntyre

Sound & Light: Lindsay Crosby

Extended Session: Kelly Meeks, Charlotte Sutton, Carole Zugazaga, Patrick White, Chad Parish,

Loaves & Fishes: Penny Popwell

Serving July 28, 2019

Counters: Wallace Baldwin, Hazel Lee

Sound & Light: Lynli Cantrell-Wright

Extended Session: Shane Dunn, Alex Ritenbaugh, Amber Berry-Moore, Amelia White, Leigh Anne Armstrong, Spenser Keel

Loaves & Fishes: Katharine Martin

**JAIL MINISTRY
CHRISTMAS PROJECT 2019**

It's time to turn our attention to our church's involvement in the Lee County Detention Center's Christmas boxes. Please survey your home for empty shoe boxes you might contribute. Boxes must be at least 6 inches wide and have removable tops (please, no fold over tops this year.)

Several churches share the work of preparing 400 boxes (total inmates). We will prepare 150 boxes; several small churches in Auburn and Opelika prepare the rest. Please bring them to the table in the church library.

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Christmas Boxes Project Chair and Co-Chair

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*Listen to the service Sunday mornings
at 11 am on WAUD 1230 AM*