

Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

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WORSHIP

Children's Sabbath

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October 6th

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Lamentations 1:1-6 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Pledge Sunday

October 13th

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost Hebrews 12:1-2 Children's Sabbath

Lay Worship Leader for October: Michael Cline

REMINDERS

Pledge Sunday

October 6, 11:00 a.m., Worship Pledge Sunday is a time for our church to prepare for the ministries and mission of our church in 2019. There are copies of the Preliminary Budget around the church, and Estimate of Giving cards are available.

AuburnFBC.org/Giving2020

We are grateful for the commitment of the congregation as we minister together!

Children's Sabbath and Churchwide Picnic

Sunday, October 13

We look forward to the children of the church leading us in worship and to our picnic afterwards. We search for ways to nurture our children in the life of faith. It is not a task we take lightly, and it is not a task we do alone. Our children are encountering a world full of questions. They will ask us many of those questions, and as we respond to them, there is not a textbook with the answers in the back.

We might worry about how to answer many of their questions about God and faith. We wonder, "When my child asks about God, where do I begin? The Bible says many things, which are difficult to explain. How do we discuss them? What if she asks a question I cannot answer?"

To be certain, she will ask a question we cannot answer, but this is not a misstep on the journey. It is part of the adventure. It is part of the reason we are thankful we do not have to do this alone.

In worship when we dedicate a child to God, the parents say they will teach their child about God, but then we ask, "Is anyone else to help with the child's guidance?" The entire congregation answers, "Yes, we too will share in her growth, for she belongs to us as well."

As a congregation, we want to nurture the children of the church in the life of faith. One way we nurture their faith is by inviting them to lead! We invite them to lead in worship because writing a prayer or using our voice to give thanks to God, and leading others to do the same, engages our faith in a deep and personal way.

When we are asked to lead, we are empowered to claim our faith! We also feel the affirmation of the church. Inviting our children to lead in worship affirms their faith, saying more than words can say. They feel the love of the congregation, as they lead us in prayer or engage us in worship.

The answers to the questions the children of the church will ask are important, but what is most important is walking alongside them. Asking them to lead in worship lets them know that we walk beside them. The children of the church can look to their left or to their right and feel the support of the congregation!

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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.

FELLOWSHIP

Churchwide Picnic

Sunday, October 13

After Children's Sabbath, we will gather at Town Creek Park for our annual churchwide picnic. Bring a side or dessert to share. Fried chicken and drinks will be provided. Don't forget your tailgate chair or blanket! In case of rain join us in the Activities Building.

PrimeTimers on the Move

Tuesday, October 15th, 11:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Alabama CBF Fall Gathering

Sunday, October 20 & Monday, October 21 Birmingham, Alabama

More details at http://www.alabamacbf.org/fallgathering

Sunday: Kelly Ingram Park

5:00 p.m. Greet Civil Rides participants

5:30 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres

6:30 p.m. Worship

Monday: Southside Baptist Church, 1016 19th St South

8:30 a.m. Coffee & donuts

9:00 a.m. Thoughts from the Fellowship with Paul

Baxley

Christmas Ministry Project 2019

Starting now on the annual project to offer kindness at Christmas to the inmates of Lee County Jail will make sure we have the Christmas boxes ready for their Christmas program.

For the past few years, members of our congregation have shown a preference for donating \$15 and letting the Jail Ministry Committee shop for the contents of the boxes. Checks should be made to AFBC (notation: Jail Ministry Christmas Project). Early checks will be appreciated.

The \$15 covers the cost of a devotional book, ten envelopes, two pens, 5 stamps, 5 Christmas cards to send, a game book, a deck of playing cards and candy. Kellie Wilson will be contacting Sunday School classes about helping to provide the postage stamps for the boxes.

Several churches share the work of preparing 400 boxes. Auburn First Baptist and Opelika United Methodist each prepare 150 boxes, several small churches in Auburn and Opelika are assisting our church with our boxes.

SUNDAY ACTVITIES

Round Table

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

"Reflections on Faith and Work"
October 6, 20, & 27

October 6 - Julia Morgan October 20 - Amelia White October 27 - Ben Oni

Connecting Faith and Family

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

Discussion and support about parenting and personal spiritual growth. We are discussing *The Road Back to You: An Enneagram Journey to Self-Discovery* by Ian Morgan Cron and Suzanne Stabile. Questions regarding Connecting Faith and Family should be directed to Leah Duzy at aduzyofalife@gmail.com. All are welcome!

Extended Session

We are looking to add a few more people to the Extended Session rotation. If you would be interested in keeping children in the nursery during the worship service please contact Anna Coxwell at coxwella@gmail.com. Thank you!

THURSDAYS

Thursday Activities

5:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Remember to RSVP for dinner by noon on Tuesday of each week.

October 3 - Stories about Religious Liberty October 10 - Old Sermons, New Thoughts

Quarterly Business Meeting

Thursday, October 24

COLLEGE

Bible Study & Breakfast

Sundays, 10:15 a.m. College Room (Activities Building)

College Tuesday Night Bible Study

7:00 p.m., Activities Building

Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.

YOUTH

Thursday Nights

5:15 p.m. Dinner 5:45 p.m. Youth Hang Out Time

Youth Choir

Youth Sunday Nights

Sundays, 5:00 p.m. Sundays, 6:00 p.m. Youth Room

Youth Dinner Out

Wednesday, October 9th

We will have dinner out to celebrate the end of the first 9 weeks of school! Meet at Wild Wing Café at 6:30 p.m., and bring money for dinner.

Wild Wing Café, 3040 Capps Way, Opelika, AL 36804



January 17-19, 2020

FBC Huntsville

Cost: \$150

Contact Laura to sign up!

CHILDREN

Children's Sabbath

Sunday, October 13th, 11:00 a.m., Worship "Champions of Our Faith"

Special offering for Seed Camp (Sowing Seeds of Hope). Please put *Children's Sabbath* in the memo line.

We look forward to the children of the church leading us in worship!

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

Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Education Building *We ask that all attendees be potty trained.

Bible Encounter (1st – 5th graders) Sundays, 6:00 p.m., Education Building

Spark Adventure

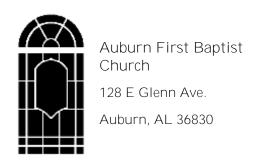
Thursdays, 5:50 p.m., Education Building

Helpers:

October 3rd: Cathy Summers & Julie McClanahan October 10th: Stephanie Renuart & Leigh Anne Armstrong

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Every Sunday Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.	<i>Every Thursday</i> Dinner Prayer & Bible Study	5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday - 1st		
College Bible Study	College Room 7	:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 2nd		
Conversational English	Education Building 9	0:00 a.m.
Thursday - 3rd		
First Bells	Choir Room 12	:30 p.m.
Youth Hang Out Time	Youth Room 5	:45 p.m.
Spark Adventure	Education Building 5	:50 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room 6	:45 p.m.
Sunday - 6th		
Children's Choir	Education Building 5	:00 p.m.
Youth Choir	Choir Room 5	:00 p.m.
The Round Table	Fellowship Hall 5	:00 p.m.
Connecting Faith & Family	Fishers' Room 5	:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter	Education Building 6	:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday Night	Youth Room 6	:00 p.m.
Tuesday - 8th		
Dayfriends	Chappy's 11	:45 a.m.
Caring Hands	Fellowship Hall 5	:30 p.m.
College Bible Study	College Room 7	:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 9th		
Conversational English	Education Building 9	0:00 a.m.
CDC Committee Meeting	Library 5	:45 p.m.
Thursday - 10th		
First Bells	Choir Room 12	:30 p.m.
Stewardship Committee Mtg	Library 5	:00 p.m.
Youth Hang Out Time	Youth Room 5	:45 p.m.
Spark Adventure	Education Building 5	:50 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room 6	:45 p.m.
Sunday - 13th		
Churchwide Picnic	Town Creek Park 12	:00 p.m.
No Evening Activities		
Tuesday - 15th		
PrimeTimers Lunch	Fellowship Hall 11	:30 a.m.
Deacons' Meeting	Seekers' Room 6	:30 p.m.
College Bible Study	College Room 7	:00 p.m.



MISSIONS

Children's Sabbath Mission Offering

On Sunday, October 13, our children will lead us in worship for Children's Sabbath. The theme of Children's Sabbath will be "Champions of Our Faith." They will invite us to participate in a special offering for Seed Camp (children's camp for AL CBF's Sowing Seeds of Hope). The gifts can be brought to worship on October 13, or brought by the church office. Please write *Children's Sabbath* on the memo line.

Community Market - Baby Items

At the Community Market, the baby closet offers infant dry cereal, baby food (jars), baby wipes, and diapers or pull-ups (all sizes). These are needs that are ongoing! The Mission Committee would like to focus on collecting these items for the Community Market. There is a basket outside of the church office, where these items can be placed. Thank you for caring for the youngest amongst us and supporting families in our community!

Serving the Month of October

Greeters: Candy Enkeboll & Todd Miller

Visitors: Mary Lynn Porter

Offering: College

Serving October 6, 2019

Counters: Dwayne Beckett, Lois Graves, & Bill Faurot

Sound & Light: Gary Cantini

Extended Session: Kelly Meeks, Amber Berry-Moore, Lesley Odom, Amelia White, Terri Wood, Mary Lynn Por-

ter

Loaves & Fishes: Teresa Vest & Friends

Serving October 13, 2019

Counters: Flarcie Hopkins, Helen Bearden, Bill McIntyre

Sound & Light: Lindsay Crosby

Extended Session: Lynn Eden, Marcie Smith, Jeannie Bumgardner, Charlotte Sutton, Cynthia Smithart, Spenser

Keel

Loaves & Fishes: TBA

Loaves and Fishes

The Loaves and Fishes program ministers to people in our community by furnishing hot meals every Tuesday to recipients selected by the Salvation Army, our partner in this ministry. If you would be willing to take a week or two and prepare 16 meals for the Loaves and Fishes Ministry, please contact the church office.

Volunteer Dates: October 15, 22, 29, &

December 10

GMO

Global Ministries Offering Update

Goal: \$24,500.00 Pledged: \$12,760.00 Given toward pledge: \$8,740.00 Given unpledged: \$3,215.00 Total given: \$11,955.00

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