



Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

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WORSHIP

November 15th

Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 25:14-30

November 22nd

Christ the King Sunday
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Psalm 100
Matthew 25:31-46

November 29th

First Sunday of Advent
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
Mark 13:24-37

Lay Worship Leader for November
Jeremy Stokes

Those Who Dream

By: Tripp Martin

The First Sunday of Advent is November 29. It is the beginning of a new Church Year! We are thankful for beginnings, as they remind us of the new beginning we always find in the steadfast love of God.

New beginnings are a time to dream, which is why our theme for Advent is *Those Who Dream!* Advent begins with our anticipation of the birth of Jesus. Like the expectations of a Messiah over two thousand years ago, we await the grace of God, which comes to us in Jesus the Christ. We await the hope, peace, joy, and love of God, coming to redeem creation!

We hope for peace and find joy in love, as it re-creates the world around us to look a little more like the kingdom of God, or the way in which God wants the world to look. This is the dream of Advent, as we allow God's grace to change how we dream!

Dreams can be dismissed easily! A student day dreaming in class is asked to focus. When someone chimes into a conversation saying, "You will not believe my dream last night," we are not sure what to make of it. Dreams are not a serious currency, but perhaps they should be. Our dreams can make room for a new reality.

We can dream of hope for those who are fighting despair. We can dream of peace in the face of division. We can dream of joy for our loved ones, especially when they are hurting. We can dream of a world defined by God's love! When we dream, we can make room for our holy imaginations to envision new possibilities.

As we await the birth of Jesus, we are invited to dream of hope, peace, joy, and love. This year is a good year for us to dream! We have faced the limitations of a pandemic and the health concerns of an illness. We have seen division, and we have felt despair. We dream alongside of Advent, reminded that God's love is stronger than everything we have faced. We can renew our dreams of a world, which echo the steadfast love of God!

REMINDERS

Worship

Our worship service is live streamed on the website each week.

AuburnFBC.org/Live

Midweek Reflections

Sacred Words: Reclaim, Redefine & Rediscover

A video is posted on the website each week.

AuburnFBC.org/Sacred

Online Giving

Online giving is an additional option for supporting the church.

AuburnFBC.org/Give

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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.

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Sunday School

During this time of social distancing, Sunday School classes are finding ways to remain connected. Teachers are sharing lessons, and classes are meeting virtually. We are thankful for these connections!

The Round Table

Sunday, November 15, 5:00 p.m. on Zoom

“Remembering the Past and Building the Future”

The Lee County Remembrance Project
Led by Ashley Brown & Olivia Nichols
This will be our last meeting of the fall.

In partnership with the Equal Justice Initiative and the National Memorial for Peace and Justice, the LCRP focuses on the history of racial injustice and lynching. They have collected extensive research about the four men lynched in Lee County. Through engaged conversations, they seek to build community for a better future.

Zoom Meeting ID: 840 0651 7918
Passcode: 009937

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84006517918?pwd=aGNnMHc0bHlxVlJoUEZqeVpsbHlIdz09>

Connecting Faith and Family

Sunday, November 15, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Gay Street lot

This will be our last meeting of the fall.

We will discuss *Be the Bridge* by Latasha Morrison on the weeks that we meet at AFBC. The weeks that we meet via Zoom, we will chat about parent/faith related topics. Contact Leah Duzy at aduzyofalife@gmail.com for more information.

Poinsettia Orders

Poinsettias will be placed in the sanctuary for the Christmas season. You may order these flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one by completing the information below and mailing it to the church office with your check by *November 16th*. The cost per plant is \$15.00. Poinsettias may be picked up from the AFBC Courtyard after morning worship on December 27, 2020.

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

By: _____

MIDWEEK REFLECTIONS

Sacred Words: Reclaim, Redefine & Rediscover

Each Wednesday, posted at 12:00 p.m.

Led by Tripp Martin

We have sacred words, which belong to our faith. Over time, we need to reclaim, redefine, and rediscover them in order for them to remain meaningful. We will talk about these words and what they mean to our lives.

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ADVENT

Those Who Dream

If you would like an Advent devotional, please email kristina@auburnfbc.org by November 15. We will deliver the Advent devotionals to everyone before the first Sunday of Advent.

CHILDREN

Advent Family Workshop

Sunday, November 27th

Our Advent Family Workshop will be virtual! If you signed up, the supplies will be delivered to you.

PassportKids Camp

July 17-20, 2021

Rock Eagle 4H Center, Eatonton, Georgia

Students 3rd-5th grade

Deposit: \$50 Total: \$300 (includes deposit)

Email kristina@auburnfbc.org to sign up!

Children's Bible Study

Each week we will post a weekly Children's Bible Study, which will be compiled by several church members. It can be watched on Sunday morning or afternoon, or even during the week.

AuburnFBC.org/CBS

Children's Choirs & Bible Encounter

Not Meeting

Spark Adventure

Thursdays, 5:50 p.m., Education Building
Not Meeting

YOUTH

Thursday Nights
Youth Hang Out Time
Not Meeting

Youth Choir
Not Meeting

Youth Sunday Nights
Sunday, November 15, 6:00 p.m.
AFBC Courtyard

Virtual Advent Family Workshop
Sunday, November 22nd, 6:00 p.m.

Youth families will gather on Zoom to participate in the Advent Family Workshop together.

Youth Christmas Party
Sunday, December 6th, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
1201 Morris Avenue, Opelika

Passport Youth Camp
July 5-10, 2021
Furman University, Greenville, SC
Total: \$450
Email laura@auburnfbc.org to sign up!

COLLEGE

Thank You!

In many ways this has been an unusual semester in college ministry, a semester like no other. In other ways, this fall has been like all the others: we've encountered college students who need community, love, and a good meal each week. Thank you, AFBC family, for continuing to support our college ministry. You have sponsored meals, delivered food, made cookies, and more. Thank you for investing in the lives of college students, encouraging them even from afar, and helping them find a sense of connection and belonging.

Bonfire at Randle Farms
Tuesday, November 17th
Meet in the Gay Street lot at 6:30 p.m.

Bible Study & Breakfast
Sundays, 10:15 a.m.
College Room (Activities Building)

College Tuesday Night Bible Study
7:00 p.m. in the AFBC Courtyard

Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

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

Every Thursday
Brown Bag Dinner 5:15 p.m.
Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

The church office remains closed as our staff is working from home. The email addresses for the staff are found in the newsletter and website. If you need to contact the ministerial staff, Tripp Martin (334-332-4100), Morris Driggers (864-981-0963), or Laura Edgar (334-233-2267).

Social Media

Facebook: [Facebook.com/AuburnFirstBaptist](https://www.facebook.com/AuburnFirstBaptist)
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Apple Podcasts: [AuburnFBC.org/ApplePod](https://www.auburnfbc.org/applepod)
Google Play: [AuburnFBC.org/GooglePod](https://www.auburnfbc.org/googlepod)
RSS: [AuburnFBC.org/FeedPodcast](https://www.auburnfbc.org/feedpodcast)

Serving in November

Our Counters, Sound & Light, and Extended Session volunteers remain to be determined.

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



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MISSIONS

Cookie Walk 2020

Every year, we are invited to bake cookies and to support the Cookie Walk, a fundraiser for the WeHelp Coalition and Habitat for Humanity. This year the Cookie Walk will look different. Instead of baking cookies, we are invited to make a financial gift. Church members can give to the Cookie Walk through Auburn FBC. Please write Cookie Walk on the memo line. Donations can also be given at the event. The church will also give a donation out of its Benevolence Fund.

Alabama Cooperative Baptist Fellowship

One of our partnerships in ministry is Alabama CBF. We are grateful for the ministries we are able to do together! We are thankful for Amelia White, who will begin serving on the Coordinating Council of Alabama CBF in 2021, which provides leadership to CBF's ministries. We are grateful she will represent our congregation!

FELLOWSHIP

PrimeTimers on the Move

There will not be a meeting in November. Our schedule remains to be determined.