



Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

January 15, 2021

WORSHIP

A Song of Celebration!

By: Tripp Martin

January 17th

Second Sunday After Epiphany

John 1:43-51

1 Samuel 3:1-10

January 24th

Third Sunday After Epiphany

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Psalms 62:5-12

January 31st

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

Mark 1:4-11

Acts 19:1-7

Lauren Hooie preaching

Lay Worship Leader for January:

Chuck Isbell

During the time we have been apart, where we have been unable to gather in person for worship, we have missed many things; but perhaps none of them more important than singing! We have felt again the significance of the sacred gift of song. Our songs express our faith, and they shape our faith as well.

Since we have missed singing, we are acutely grateful for Morris Driggers, who was called to Auburn First Baptist as its Associate Pastor for Music five years ago. We celebrate this five-year anniversary, and we are thankful for Morris' ministry to the congregation! He has spent these five years enriching our worship, walking alongside of us, and sharing in the journey with us.

On February 15, 2021, Morris will mark this anniversary, so the congregation is invited to write notes and to send letters of gratitude in the weeks to come. We want to celebrate this anniversary, giving thanks for his gifts and commitment. These written words will be a gift, which he can revisit in the years to come. These notes and letters can be mailed to the church office.

When we hear the voices of the choir, or the congregation, come together in song, we are reminded of the gift of community and the strength of fellowship. We are called "to help each other walk the mile and bear the load." We are thankful for the ways in which Morris has led us on this journey.

We are grateful for Morris and Dawn, who offer such leadership to the music ministry and for all they mean to our congregation! We are thankful for the ways they lead us to faithfully sing and live. The music ministry is found at the heart of our worship, and it enriches our community of faith.

In the upcoming weeks, I invite you to express your thanksgiving through notes of encouragement and gratitude, as we celebrate with Morris, Dawn, and their family!

REMINDERS

Worship

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

[AuburnFBC.org/Live](https://www.auburnfbc.org/Live)

Midweek Reflections

Bread for the Traveler

[AuburnFBC.org/Sacred](https://www.auburnfbc.org/Sacred)

Online Giving

Online giving is an additional option for supporting the church.

[AuburnFBC.org/Give](https://www.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

Sundays at 5:00 p.m. on Zoom

Led by Tripp Martin

Not Meeting January 17

“Faith and Dementia”

January 24, 31, and February 7, 14, & 21

Zoom Meeting ID: 840 0651 7918

Passcode: 009937

Join Zoom Meeting

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

Connecting Faith and Family

Sundays

Location will alternate between AFBC and Zoom.

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.

January 24th: AFBC Courtyard; 6:00-7:30 p.m.

January 31st: Zoom; 8:30 p.m.

Baptist Women in Ministry Day of Preaching

We will participate in the Baptist Women in Ministry Day of Preaching, inviting Lauren Hooie to preach on Sunday, January 31. Lauren was active in the college ministry at Auburn FBC, and she will graduate from the McAfee School of Theology this semester. BWIM Day of Preaching celebrates the historic ministry of preachers like Martha Stearns Marshall, Ella Pearson Mitchell, Helen Barrett Montgomery, and Edna Lee de Gutierrez. Auburn FBC has a long history of recognizing the calling of women to leadership and ministry in Baptist life, ordaining its first woman, Leland Cooper, as a deacon in 1974.

MIDWEEK REFLECTIONS

Bread for the Traveler: Wisdom from the Psalms

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

Led by Tripp Martin

The journey of life and faith causes us to experience every emotion possible. The psalms reflect the experiences and emotions of the people of God throughout history. We find strength and wisdom in them for our journey!

AuburnFBC.org/Sacred

FELLOWSHIP

PrimeTimers on the Move

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

COLLEGE

Meals for Tuesday Night Bible Study

Thank you for always supporting our college ministry. This important mission and ministry of our church could not happen without the support of our entire congregation. One of the most meaningful things we do is offer students a meal and opportunity for fellowship to begin each Tuesday night. As we continue to face these challenging times, keeping students connected in safe ways is vitally important. We are planning to purchase meals during the spring semester in order to minimize contact while still promoting a sense of community.

If you are interested in sponsoring a meal or preparing a dessert for our College Tuesday Night Bible Study this spring, please email Laura at laura@auburnfbc.org or call her at 334-233-2267.

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.

YOUTH

Thursday Nights
Youth Hang Out Time
Not Meeting

Youth Choir
Not Meeting

Spring Semester Kickoff

January 17

Cost: \$15 per person

Email laura@auburnfbc.org to sign up!

Youth Sunday Nights

Sundays, 6:00 p.m.

Location will alternate between the AFBC Courtyard and Zoom.

Resumes January 24

January 24th: AFBC Courtyard

January 31st: Zoom

Passport Youth Camp

July 5-10, 2021

Furman University, Greenville, SC

Total: \$450

Email laura@auburnfbc.org to sign up!

CHILDREN

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

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)

YouTube: [YouTube.com/AuburnFBC](https://www.youtube.com/AuburnFBC)

Twitter: [@AuburnFBC](https://twitter.com/AuburnFBC)

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 January

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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GMO

Global Ministries Offering

Each year, we are intentional and generous in supporting ministries beyond the boundaries of our congregation. Annually, we encourage church members to pledge an additional offering that is dispersed throughout the world, supporting global missions, providing shelter, addressing local and world hunger, cultivating theological education, and assisting with disaster relief.

The church council will be working on the proposed GMO budget, so they are asking for requests and/or suggestions for the GMO budget. If you have something you would like to be considered for the budget, please send the information to the church office.

Global Ministries Offering Sunday will be on February 28. Gifts for the 2020-2021 GMO can be given until then, and February 28 will begin the 2021-2022 GMO budget. We have given \$15,322.00 to the current GMO budget, and our goal is \$23,500.

MISSIONS

Loaves and Fishes

We continue to serve the needs of others during this time by paying for the meals we would normally deliver each week for Loaves and Fishes. If a Sunday School class, or individual, would like to contribute to this effort, please contact Teresa Vest or Kristina Hickman. Each week costs about \$76.

BUSINESS MEETING

As we continue the ministry of the church during this season of life, Committees and the Deacons will present Business Meeting agenda items to the congregation. In the coming weeks, an email will be sent to the congregation, presenting these items. An opportunity for questions will take place over Zoom, or on a conference call. Once the GMO budget for 2021-2022 is prepared, we will schedule the Business Meeting.