

Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

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WORSHIP

Celebration!

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October 3rd

Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Psalm 8

October 10th

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost Mark 10:17-31 Hebrews 4:12-16 Pledge Sunday

Lay Worship Leader for October: Anna Thompson

REMINDERS

Pledge Sunday

October 10, 11:00 a.m., Worship Pledge Sunday is a time for our church to prepare for the ministries and mission of 2022. There are copies of the Preliminary Budget around the church, and Estimate of Giving cards are available.

AuburnFBC.org/Give22

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

Children's Sabbath and Churchwide Picnic

Sunday, October 17

We look forward to the children of the church leading us in worship and to our picnic afterwards. In a couple weeks, we will *celebrate* Pledge Sunday on October 10. In editing that sentence, we might consider replacing the word *celebrate*. It might sound more fitting to say *observe* or *recognize*. Stewardship has a tone of duty or responsibility, which is not always synonymous with celebration, but celebrate we will.

As we look through the Preliminary Budget, we celebrate ministries for our children, youth and college students. We notice ministries to our surrounding community as well as needs located around the world. We budget for our music ministry and worship together. We maintain our buildings and vehicles, which we take on retreats. We *celebrate* these joint efforts and future commitments!

Our celebration, though, is not limited to the items in the budget because the reasons we give of our time and finances are much broader. We celebrate all the many ways in which God's grace, both seen and unseen, are found in our lives. We celebrate God's generosity with our commitments and gifts.

Finally, we celebrate our gratitude for one another! If we consider the mutual support and shared community of the church, which surrounds our lives and shapes our faith, we can celebrate the responsibility of stewardship. It undergirds the bonds of fellowship and practical ministry of the church, enabling us to gather, serve, and worship with one another!

We approach the celebration of stewardship with thanksgiving, offering our prayers of gratitude. We might use this prayer during this season of stewardship.

God of many blessings,
Enable and encourage us to be faithful stewards
of all that you have provided,
in the abundance of your generosity
and through the gifts of your grace.

As we celebrate, we offer our thanksgiving to one another. We will not put on party hats or blow out candles, but we will celebrate the shared commitments of the congregation, as we celebrate the abundance of God's love for us all!

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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

Round Table

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

"Harper Lee Encounters God" Led by Wayne Flynt October 3. 10. & 24

Connecting Faith and Family

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

We are reading *How to Fight Racism* by Jemar Tisby. For those interested in participating in Connecting Faith and Family, email Leah Duzy at aduzyofalife@gmail.com. All are welcome!

FELLOWSHIP

Day Friends

Every other Tuesday, 11:45 a.m. -1:15 p.m.

Oct 12: Taziki's on College St. (Newk's if raining)
Oct 26: 1200 Ferndale Dr., 36832 - Under the Veranda

If you need childcare (which will be at church), let the front office know by noon on Monday!

Churchwide Picnic

Sunday, October 17

After Children's Sabbath, we will gather at Town Creek Park for our annual churchwide picnic. *Boxed lunches and bottled water will be provided*. Don't forget your tailgate chair or blanket! In case of rain join us in the Activities Building.

Alabama CBF Fall Gathering: Renew and ReShape

Sunday, October 17 & Monday, October 18, 2021 Vestavia Hills Baptist Church

Terri Byrd will be honored at a reception on Sunday, October 17th at 5:00 p.m., as she departs AL CBF to take a ministerial position at Johns Creek Baptist Church in Atlanta.

PrimeTimers on the Move

Tuesday, October 19th, 8:00 a.m., Callaway Gardens

Meet in the Gay Street lot of the church at 8:00 a.m. We will return at 1:00 p.m. Bring your own snack. Water will be provided. The cost is \$10. Sign up with Kristina in church office by Sunday, October 17.

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall Not Meeting October 7 & 21

"Love Your Neighbor: The Life and Ministry of Fred Rogers" Led by Tripp Martin

Quarterly Business Meeting

Thursday, October 28

CHILDREN

Children's Sabbath

Sunday, October 17th, 11:00 a.m., Worship "Short Stories, Tall Truths"

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

Family Pumpkin Carving & Hayrides

Saturday, October 23rd, 4:00 p.m.

Randle Farms

Bring your own pumpkin and carving tools. Children are encouraged to wear their costumes!

PassportKids Camp

July 17-20, 2022

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 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 7th: Not Meeting

October 14th: Stephanie Renuart

YOUTH

Thursday Nights

Dinner Downtown
October 14th, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth Choir Sundays, 5:00 p.m. Choir Room **Youth Sunday Nights**

Sundays, 6:00 p.m. Youth Room

Friday Fun Night

AFBC October 8th, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.



Contact Laura to sign up!

COLLEGE

Bible Study & Breakfast

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

College Tuesday Night Bible Study

7:00 p.m., Courtyard

Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Every Thursday

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.	Brown Bag Dinner Prayer & Bible Stud	5:15 p.m. dy 6:00 p.m.
Sunday - 3rd		
Children's Committee Mtg	Fellowship Hall	12:00 p.m.
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 - 5th		
College Bible Study	Courtyard	7:00 p.m.
Thursday - 7th		
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	6:45 p.m.
Friday - 8th		
Youth Friday Fun Night	AFBC	6:00 p.m.
Sunday - 10th		
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 - 12th		
Day Friends	Taziki's	11:45 a.m.
College Bible Study	Courtyard	7:00 p.m.
Thursday - 14th		
Stewardship Committee MtgI	Library	5:00 p.m.
Youth DinnerI	Downtown	5:30 p.m.
Spark Adventure	Education Building	5:50 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	6:45 p.m.

Radio Broadcast

Beginning January 2022, the leadership of the congregation has decided to rely on the livestream of our worship service instead of the radio broadcast. Our radio broadcast is limited by outdated technology and the service from the radio station has diminished over the years. Shifting from the radio broadcast to the livestream will also create a savings of over \$4,000. If anyone would like help connecting with the livestream before the radio broadcast is discontinued, please notify the church office. We can send someone to your home to help you get connected. We want to help everyone learn how to use the livestream before January 2022.



MISSIONS

Children's Sabbath Mission Offering

On Sunday, October 17, our children will lead us in worship for Children's Sabbath. The theme of Children's Sabbath will be "Short Stories, Tall Truths." They will invite us to participate in a special offering for The Boys & Girls Club. The gifts can be brought to worship on October 17, brought by the church office, or given online at Auburn FBC.org/Give. Please write Children's Sabbath on the memo line.

Serving the Month of October

Greeters: Mary Ann Dell, Michael Brown, Martha Ev-

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Sound & Light: David Sutton, Chad Parish, Gary Can-

tini

Visitors: Mike & Julie McClanahan

Serving October 3, 2021

Extended Session: Kelly Meeks, Mark Wilson, Leigh Anne Armstrong

WALLE

Serving October 10, 2021

Extended Session: Suzanne Parish, Candy Enkeboll, Mary Lynn Porter

Global Ministries Offering Update

March 2021 - March 2022

Goal: \$23,500.00 Pledged: \$5,980.00 Given toward pledge: \$5,275.00 Given unpledged: \$8,195.00 Total given: \$13,470.00

We so much appreciate your efforts at bringing books for the Lee County Jail Library. We were able to stock the shelves with more than 1400 books!

Thank you,

Ginny Radford, Martha League, Tom Brown, and family

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