



Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

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WORSHIP

Please Pass the Potatoes

By: Tripp Martin

November 21st

Christ the King Sunday
John 18:33-37
Revelation 1:4b-8

November 28th

First Sunday of Advent (Hope)
Luke 21:25-36
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Lay Worship Leader for November:
Sylvia Malone

When we think about giving thanks, either during the upcoming holidays or as we gather for worship each week, we are thankful for our place in the family of faith at Auburn First Baptist. As we think about the places of our lives, we usually know that we are a part of a place because we have a seat at the table. We know that we are woven into a people when we have said, "Please pass the potatoes."

We will gather on Thursday, November 18 for our Thanksgiving Meal, which we were not able to plan last year. We are thankful for this opportunity!

We also look forward to other gatherings during this season whether it is our Advent Family Worship, Family Night at Christmas, or Christmas Potluck at our Special-Called Business Meeting. As we think about the family of faith at Auburn First Baptist, we are thankful we have a seat at the table, and that there are open seats for others, who might want to join us!

REMINDERS

Advent Decorating

Sunday, November 21st, 3:00 p.m.
Sanctuary

The Flower Committee will begin decorating the Sanctuary for Advent and needs as many helpers as possible. Please join them if you can!

Advent Family Workshop

Sunday, November 21st, 6:15 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

We will gather for dinner and for families to create a craft for the Advent season!

Family Night at Christmas and Cookie Fellowship

Sunday, December 5th
6:15 p.m.

Please bring cookies in snack-sized bags to share!

We are a family of faith because of the table, as Nora Ephron says, "A family is a group of people who eat the same thing." It is a simple definition, but it proves true. We knit our lives together by passing the potatoes. We share our lives, offer grace to one another, meet the challenges of each day, and find our way together!

When we know who likes extra salt on their potatoes, who always has seconds of them, or who likes them mashed instead of baked, we are able to support and care for one another in profound ways! The grace of God has a way of entering our lives in ordinary ways. They are the ways of community and commitment. They are woven into the routines of each week.

Most of all, we find joy at the table! We hear laughter, and we share stories. We look forward to sharing the stories of the family of faith and to laughing with one another during this season of the year. We can say to one another, "Please pass the potatoes."

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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.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

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Advent Family Workshop

Sunday, November 21st, 6:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

RSVP by November 17th

Please RSVP by signing up to bring a food item by clicking on the link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0845ADA623A0FF2-advent>

Our theme for Advent this year is "Close to Home." Come enjoy dinner and create a craft with your family that you can take home and enjoy during the Advent season. See you there!

A Season of Music

Sunday evening, December 5, 6:15 p.m. –

Family Night at Christmas

with music from our
*Preschool and Children's Choirs,
and Youth Choir*

Followed by our renowned *Cookie Fellowship*
***Bring your favorite cookies in small, snack-sized bags
to share!***

Sunday morning, December 12, 11:00 a.m. –

"What Shall We Sing for the Child?"

Led by the AFBC Music Ministry.

FELLOWSHIP

PrimeTimers on the Move

*Tuesday, November 16th, 10:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hall*

Blessed Are Those Who Mourn A Service for Loss, Grief & Hope

AFBC family and guests are welcome!

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Round Table

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

"Witness as Vocation: We Are What We Do"

Led by Mike McClanahan

November 21

"A Virus, Pandemic, and the Church"

Led by Tripp Martin

November 28 & December 5

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 aduzyfalife@gmail.com. All are welcome!

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Not Meeting November 25

"Love Your Neighbor: The Life and Ministry of Fred Rogers"

Led by Tripp Martin

Available on podcast on website.



Annual Churchwide Thanksgiving Meal

November 18th, 5:15 p.m.

Coleman Fellowship Hall

Come and join us for our annual Thanksgiving meal.
(No charge for this meal.)

Christmas Potluck & Special-Called Business Meeting

December 2, 5:15 p.m., Coleman Fellowship Hall

Please bring a dish to share (meat, side, or dessert) for this potluck meal. The drinks and paper products will be provided.

The following items will be on the agenda:

A report from the Committee on Committees, a report from the Stewardship Committee (2022 budgets), and election of Deacons.

YOUTH

Thursday Nights
Churchwide Thanksgiving Meal
 November 18th, 5:15 p.m.

Youth Choir **Youth Sunday Nights**
 Sundays, 5:00 p.m. Sundays, 6:00 p.m.
 Choir Room Youth Room

CHILDREN

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:

November 18th: Dawn Driggers & Julie McClanahan

November 25th: Not Meeting - Thanksgiving

COLLEGE

Bonfire at Randle Farms

Tuesday, November 30th

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., 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.

Tuesday - 16th

Prime Timers	Fellowship Hall	10:00 a.m.
Deacons' Meeting.....	Fellowship Hall	6:30 p.m.
College Bible Study.....	Courtyard	7:00 p.m.

Thursday - 18th

Annual Thanksgiving Meal	Fellowship Hall	5:15 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	6:45 p.m.

Sunday - 21st

Advent Decorating.....	Sanctuary	3:00 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.
Advent Family Workshop	Fellowship Hall	6:15 p.m.

Wednesday - 24th

Church Office Closes at Noon

Thursday - 25th

Church Office Closed

No Evening Activities

Friday - 26th

Church Office Closed

Sunday - 28th

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 - 30th

College Bible Study.....	Randle Farms	7:00 p.m.
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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.



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MISSIONS

JAIL MINISTRY PROJECT 2021

It is time to turn our attention once again to the Christmas sacks for the jail ministry. (We have been asked to use sacks instead of shoeboxes this year.) Donations to cover the cost of items in the sack are welcome. The \$15 covers the cost of a devotional book, ten envelopes, two pens, 1 pad of paper, 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. Checks should be made to AFBC (notation: Jail Ministry Christmas Project.)

Charlotte Sutton
Christmas Sack Project Chair

Cookie Walk 2021

Every year, we are invited to bake cookies and to support the Cookie Walk, a fundraiser for the WeHelp Coalition and Habitat for Humanity. Unfortunately, the Cookie Walk will not be held this year. However, we are invited to make a financial gift. Church members can give to Habitat for Humanity through Auburn FBC. Please write Habitat on the memo line. The church will also give a donation out of its Benevolence Fund.

Serving the Month of November

Greeters: Tracy Collier-Cline, Mary Ann Dell, Kellie Wilson

Sound & Light: David Sutton, Chad Parish, Gary Cantini

Visitors: TBA

Serving November 21, 2021

Extended Session: Suzanne Parish, Ruthie Spiers

Serving November 28, 2021

Extended Session: Mark Coxwell, Anna Thompson

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