



Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

January 1, 2022

WORSHIP

Shared

By: Tripp Martin

January 2nd

Epiphany of the Lord
Matthew 2:1-12
Isaiah 60:1-6
Laura Edgar Preaching

We stand at the beginning of another calendar year, as we continue to emerge from the conditions of a pandemic, finding ways to build and serve community. We have gained new knowledge about ourselves and fresh awareness of our deep connection to one another. We enter this year mindful of such things!

January 9th

Baptism of the Lord
Isaiah 43: 1-7
Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

I continue to be thankful for the commitment of the congregation. Its gifts, compassion, and dedication are remarkable. We have experienced the impact of a pandemic on all aspects of our lives, but our convictions remain the same.

Lay Worship Leader for January:
Julie McClanahan

We love God with heart, soul, mind, and strength, as we allow for questions, embrace mystery, and find assurance that God is always with us. We love our neighbor with compassion and grace, welcoming everyone who enters our lives and remembering to see Christ within them. We begin each year, and each week on the Lord's Day, with those convictions!

REMINDERS

No Sunday School

January 2nd

We find strength for those convictions in the shared journey. During the pandemic, we have been both afraid of and thankful for the *shared* journey. We have taken great effort not to share the virus with one another, but we made this commitment because of the shared values of community and compassion.

Committee Night

Sunday, January 9, 6:15 p.m.

Locations to be announced.

As a family of faith, we share the sacred aspects of life. We share the love of God and the love of neighbor, making a commitment to our shared calling. We share the sacred gifts of showing up for one another, serving the needs of others, and celebrating the gifts of each other. We share laughter and grief. We share hope and lament. We share our stories, families, and experiences.

All committee members are asked to participate in this kick-off event for a new committee year. Committee rosters and locations for each committee will be posted Sunday morning, January 9.

(Childcare will be provided.)

We share the journey of faith! We are thankful for the commitment of the congregation, as it continues to shape and form our lives, even in the midst of a pandemic. We can begin this calendar year with sharing our gratitude for one another. We might give thanks for the shared journey by choosing one aspect of it and writing it down, sharing it with our family, or mentioning it in our prayers.

Quarterly Business Meeting & Potluck

Thursday, January 27

5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Agenda Items: 2021 Financials,
2022 Nominating Committee Mem-
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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
Resumes January 9.

“A Reading List for 2022”

Led by Tripp Martin
January 9

(Not Meeting January 16.)

“Creation: A Landscape of Faith”

Led by Tripp Martin
Begins January 23.

Connecting Faith and Family

Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Fishers Classroom
Resumes January 9.

We are reading *Atlas of the Heart* by Brené Brown. For those interested in participating in Connecting Faith and Family, email Leah Duzy at aduzyofalife@gmail.com. All are welcome!

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall

“Sage Wisdom”

Led by Tripp Martin
Available on podcast on website.

We will read scripture with the sages, learning from those who have gone before us and how they interpreted scripture.

Quarterly Business Meeting & Potluck

Thursday, January 27, 5:45 p.m.
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:
2021 Financials and 2022 Nominating Committee Members

FELLOWSHIP

Advent De-decorating

Sunday, January 2nd, 2:00 p.m.

The Flower Committee will take down and put away all of the Advent decorations and need as many helpers as possible. Please plan to join them if you can.

PrimeTimers on the Move

Tuesday, January 18, 11:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall
“Auburn: A History in Street Names”
Led by Sam Hendrix

MUSIC

AFBC First Bells scheduled to resume January 6, 2022

With the new year comes new opportunities and renewal of some of the things that the pandemic precautions required us to put on hold. We are looking forward to resuming First Bells rehearsals beginning on Thursday, January 6 from 12:30 – 1:30 in the choir room. We have all missed the unique experience of teamwork and fellowship that handbell ringing offers, and look forward to reconnecting with each other in the new year. For more information, feel free to contact Morris Driggers via email.

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. If you are interested in sponsoring a dinner or preparing a home-cooked meal 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

Resumes January 18.

Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.

YOUTH

Thursday Nights *Resumes in January*

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| <p>Youth Choir Sundays, 5:00 p.m. Choir Room <i>Resumes January 9.</i></p> | <p>Youth Sunday Nights Sundays, 6:00 p.m. Youth Room <i>Resumes January 23.</i></p> |
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Youth Committee Meeting Sunday, January 9, 12:00 p.m. Activities Building



Meet at AFBC at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, January 14.
Return at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 16.

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:

January 6th: Katharine Martin & Mike Aston

January 13th: Dawn Driggers & Julie McClanahan

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

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| <p>Every Sunday Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.</p> | <p>Every Thursday Brown Bag Dinner 5:15 p.m. Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 p.m.</p> |
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Sunday - 2nd

Advent De-decorating.....Sanctuary 2:00 p.m.

No Sunday School or Evening Activities

Monday - 3rd

Church Office Closed

Thursday - 6th

First BellsChoir Room 12:30 p.m.

Spark AdventureEducation Building 5:50 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir RehearsalChoir Room 6:45 p.m.

Sunday - 9th

Children's Committee MtgFellowship Hall 12:00 p.m.

Prime Timers Committee MtgLibrary 12:00 p.m.

Youth Committee MeetingActivities Building 12:00 p.m.

Children's ChoirEducation Building 5:00 p.m.

Youth ChoirChoir Room 5:00 p.m.

The Round TableFellowship Hall 5:00 p.m.

Connecting Faith & FamilyFishers' Room 5:00 p.m.

Committee NightTBA 6:15 p.m.

Thursday - 13th

First BellsChoir Room 12:30 p.m.

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MISSIONS

Missions in 2021

We are grateful for the commitment of the church to missions. In 2021, the church gave generously and worked faithfully to care for the needs of others. Our ministry and missions looked different in 2021, but we found ways to uphold our commitments and to offer God's grace. We were able to support our Loaves and Fishes ministry financially when we were not able to deliver meals, and we were still able to provide funds to build a church in Brazil. Throughout the year, church members wrote notes, made phone calls, dropped off meals, and found creative ways to connect with one another. We could never name everything that took place through the missions of the church, but we are grateful for the work that took place behind-the-scenes.

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| Global Ministries Offering, March 2021 | \$19,002.00 |
| Benevolence Offering in 2021 | \$8,287.34 |
| Loaves & Fishes | \$3,952.00 |
| Brazil Missions | \$6,700.00 |
| Mission Trust Fund | \$52,000.00 |
| Youth Mission Fund | \$1,300.63 |
| Children's Sabbath Mission Offering (Boys & Girls Club of Greater Lee County) | \$865.00 |
| Cookie Walk 2021 | \$565.00 |
| CBF Missions | \$32,794.55 |
| Missions in General Fund | \$2,000.00 |
| Total | \$125,468.52 |

Serving the Month of January

Greeters: Gina Cantrell, Richard Graves, Candy Enkeboll, Dee Williams

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

Visitors: TBA

Serving January 2, 2022

Extended Session: Betty Tatum, Ashley Aston, Leah Duzy

Serving January 9, 2022

Extended Session: Cindy Cleveland, Anna Coxwell, Ashley Aston, Candy Enkeboll

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