

Auburn First Baptist Church

Volume 7 Issue 94

Building Community, Serving Community

November 1, 2022

WORSHIP

Peace Pole

By: Tripp Martin

November 6th

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost Luke 20:27-38 Haggai 1:15b-2:9

November 13th

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost Luke 21:5-19 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Lay Worship Leader for November: Ray Brown

REMINDERS

Daylight Savings Time

Sunday, November 6th

Don't forget to turn your clocks
back one hour!

Advent Decorating

Sunday, November 20th, 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 20th, 6:15 p.m. Fellowship Hall

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

One of the projects developed by the Life is Calling Committee and approved by the congregation is the installation of a Peace Pole in our Courtyard. A Peace Pole is a symbol of peace, which is used around the world. On the Peace Pole, it says, "May Peace Prevail on Earth," in English and in seven other languages. It is a prayer for peace, remembering that we pray with others around the globe for God's peace.

On Sunday evening, November 6 at 5:00 p.m., we will gather to dedicate our Peace Pole. The seven languages on our Peace Pole include Spanish, Korean, Arabic, Hebrew, Swahili, Chinese, and Muscogee. We are inviting members from our community who can speak those languages.

We will meet in the Fellowship Hall to reflect on the meaning of peace, hearing from our Life is Calling Committee and friends from other faith traditions. We will also hear a video from Ela Gandhi, who is a peace activist, former member of Parliament in South Africa, and the granddaughter of Mahatma Gandhi. She has recorded a video for us and for this occasion!

Our hope is the Peace Pole will remind us of the beatitude, given to us by Jesus, "Blessed are the peacemakers." It will call us to pray and to work for peace, which has long been a priority of the Church throughout its history. It is like the Passing of the Peace, where we might say, "May the Peace of Christ be with you," and the other person responds, "And also with you."

The Peace Pole will be an invitation to everyone who walks by it, or as we come to have a time for prayer, lament, or hope. It will be a gift to the community. It reminds us that our blessing is tied to the blessing of others. We love our neighbor as ourself by living into God's peace, and by working for it.

We are thankful for this opportunity, as we dedicate the Peace Pole in our Courtyard. We come alongside one another, and with others in our local community, to pray, hope, and work for peace!

Auburn First Baptist Church • 128 E Glenn Avenue • Auburn, AL auburnfbc.org • 334.887.8506 • frontdesk@auburnfbc.org

Connect with us on Facebook @AuburnFirstBaptist

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.

Deacon Biographies

Deacon Elections will be held at the Special Called Business Meeting, December 1st, 6:00 p.m.

Ray Brown and his wife, Shirley, have been members of First Baptist Church for approximately 35 years. They are the proud parents of 3 kids and grandparents of 9 grandkids. Ray is retired from Auburn University, where he served as Professor of Civil Engineering and Director of the National Center for Asphalt Technology. Ray has served on a number of church committees including Deacons, Stewardship, and others. Ray and Shirley attend the Pilgrims' Sunday School Class.

Ron Little, After graduating from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ron served as a Baptist Campus Minister at the University of Georgia and then as a Consultant in the Collegiate Ministries Department of the Georgia Baptist Convention. After retiring from the Convention, he worked as a hospice chaplain for several years. Ron and Susan joined Auburn First Baptist in 2019 after moving to Alex City. Ron sings in the Sanctuary Choir and serves on the College and Music Committees.

Julie McClanahan and her husband Mike have been members of AFBC since 2008. She has served, and continues to serve, on several committees including the Visitation, Ordinance, Prime Timers Committees, and is currently co-chair of the Social Committee. She has served as a Deacon, attended Wayne Flynt's Sunday School class, and now teaches the Toddler and Pre-K Sunday School class. She also serves as hostess at Round Table on Sunday evenings. She retired from teaching in 2020 and enjoys spending more time with family and friends, reading, and puttering around the yard.

Ben Shell was born and raised in the church. For many years he has been a member of the Sanctuary Choir, an accompanist for children's choirs and a member of First Bells. He has served on the Children's and Music Committees and never misses VBS. He works in the Office of Advancement at Auburn University.

Cathy Summers began attending AFBC as a college student in 2000 and has been a member since 2004. She is a member of the Sojourners Sunday School class and sings in the Sanctuary Choir. Cathy currently serves on the Music and CDC Committees, is the director of the Children's choir, serves as the church's Assistant Clerk, and has been a VBS director for several years. She teaches US History and Microeconomics at Smiths Station High School, where she is also the Majorette Sponsor and instructor. Cathy is married to Jason and they have two children, Elizabeth (14) and Jonathan (8).

Fred Weaver and his wife, Sherry, joined Auburn First Baptist in 2003. They are members of Wayne Flynt's Sunday School class. After careers with The Travelers and The Coca Cola Company, they retired to Lake Martin. They have two children, Lisa and Bryan, and four grandchildren. Fred is currently serving as Chairman of the Stewardship Committee as well as members of the Ordinance and Visitation Committees.

Mark Wilson and his wife, Kellie, joined AFBC in 2000, and they have two children, Benjamin and Elizabeth. He is Director of the Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Arts & Humanities in the College of Liberal Arts at Auburn University. He is a graduate of McAfee School of Theology and co-teaches an adult Sunday School Class and the children's division Bible Encounter Class. He has previously served as a Deacon and on various other committees at AFBC, including Ordinance, Youth, College, and Missions.

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 returning it to the church office with your check by November 15th. The cost per plant is \$15.00. Poinsettias may be picked up after the Christmas Eve service.

In Memory of:	_
In Honor of:	
By:	

COLLEGE

Bonfire at Randle Farms

Tuesday, November 29th 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., Activities Building

Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.

YOUTH

Youth Choir Sundays, 5:00 p.m. Choir Room

Youth Sunday Nights

Sundays, 6:00 p.m. Youth Room

Youth Lunch Hangout

Friday, November 11, 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Hickory Dickory Park

CHILDREN

Children Invited to Make Cookies for the Cookie Walk

On Sunday, November 27th, from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. and then from 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. in the Coleman Fellowship Hall, children in K-5 and preschoolers joined by a parent are invited to bake cookies for the annual Cookie Walk. The We Help Coalition Cookie Walk fundraiser for Habitat for Humanity will be held at Grace United Methodist Church on Saturday, December 3rd from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00p.m.

Several recipes of our late church member, Charlotte Ward, and longtime supporter of the Cookie Walk will be made by the children.

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

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Round Table

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

"Dedication of Peace Pole at Auburn FBC" Life is Calling Committee November 6

"Jesus' First Century Words in the Twenty-First Century" Led by Mike McClanahan November 13

Connecting Faith and Family

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

We are discussing Abuelita Faith: What Women on the Margins Teach us about Wisdom, Persistence, and Strength by Kat Armas. All are welcome!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Every Sunday Every Thursday Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Brown Bag Dinner	
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Prayer & Bible Stu	ıdy 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday - 1st	
Tuesday Night Bible StudyActivities Building	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 2nd	
First BellsChoir Room	12:30 p.m.
Thursday - 3rd	
Sanctuary Choir RehearsalChoir Room	6:45 p.m.
Sunday - 6th	
Children's Choir Education Building	5:00 p.m.
Youth ChoirChoir Room	5:00 p.m.
Peace Pole DedicationAFBC Courtyard	5:00 p.m.
Connecting Faith & FamilyFishers' Room	5:00 p.m.
Bible EncounterEducation Building	6:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday NightActivities Building	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday - 8th	
Tuesday Night Bible StudyActivities Building	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 9th	
First BellsChoir Room	12:30 p.m.
CDC Committee MeetingLibrary	5:45 p.m.
Thursday - 10th	
Stewardship Committee MtgLibrary	5:00 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir RehearsalChoir Room	6:45 p.m.
Friday - 11th	
Youth Lunch HangoutHickory Dickory Park	12:00 p.m.
Sunday - 13th	
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.
Bible EncounterEducation Building	6:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday NightActivities Building	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday - 15th	
Deacons' MeetingFellowship Hall	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday Night Bible StudyActivities Building	7:00 p.m.

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall

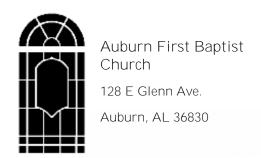
"Blessed Are Those Who Mourn" A Service for Loss, Grief & Hope Thursday, November 10, 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall



Annual Church-wide Thanksgiving Meal

November 17th, 5:15 p.m. Coleman Fellowship Hall

Come and join us for our annual Thanksgiving meal. Be sure to email or call the church office to RSVP no later than *Thursday*, *November 10th* to make your reservation. (No charge for this meal.)



MISSIONS

Children's Sabbath Mission Offering Mina and Gennady Podgaisky

\$1,200.00

Thank you for the support of the congregation!

Cookie Walk

December 3 at 8:00 a.m. Baking Cookies

If you would like to bake cookies, they can be delivered to Grace United Methodist Church on Friday, December 2 from 2:00-7:00 p.m. This is the annual fundraiser of the WeHelp Coalition, benefiting Habitat to Humanity.

JAIL MINISTRY PROJECT 2022

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 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

Serving the Month of November

Greeters: Michael Aston, Dick Graves, Dee Williams Sound & Light: David Sutton, Chad Parish, Gary Can-

tini

Visitors:

Serving November 6, 2022

Extended Session: Carole Zugazaga, Alex Ritenbaugh, Mary Ann Potter, Katharine Martin

Serving November 13, 2022

Extended Session: Cindy Cleveland, Ruthie Spiers, Charlotte Sutton, Lee McInnis, Ronda West

Ministerial Staff

Dr. Tripp Martin Pastor tmartin@auburnfbc.org

Laura Edgar Associate Pastor for Youth, College and Young Adults laura@auburnfbc.org

Morris Driggers Associate Pastor for Music morris@auburnfbc.org

Dale Peterson Minister of Music Emeritus dalepeterson@charter.net

Support Staff

Scarlett Sheils Organist toddsheils@msn.com

Dawn Driggers Accompanist ivorytklr@bellsouth.net

Milissa Clowers CDC Director milissa@auburnfbc.org

Kristina Hickman Office Manager kristina@auburnfbc.org

Lily Cobine & Faith Miller Administrative Assistants frontdesk@auburnfbc.org

Facebook: Facebook.com/AuburnFirstBaptist YouTube: YouTube.com/AuburnFBC Twitter: @AuburnFBC Apple Podcasts: AuburnFBC.org/ApplePod