



Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

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WORSHIP

October 16th

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
John 3:1-17
Psalm 121
Children's Sabbath

October 23rd

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14

October 30th

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
Luke 6:20-31
Ephesians 1:11-23
All Saints' Day

Lay Worship Leader for October:
Beth Smith

REMINDERS

Pledge Sunday is Over But it's never too late to Pledge!

Estimate of Giving Cards can be found in the pew racks, in the church office or you can pledge online at:

AuburnFBC.org/Give23

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

Children's Sabbath and Churchwide Picnic

Sunday, October 16

We look forward to the children of the church leading us in worship and to our picnic afterwards.

Children of the Church

By: Tripp Martin

On Sunday, October 16, the children of the church will step into the pulpit and speak into the microphone, leading us in worship. They will offer prayers and sing anthems, sharing their voice and their spirit with us, as a gift for God. We will listen and follow their lead, recognizing their gifts and encouraging them as they continue to grow up in the church!

It is one of the treasures of the church! We dedicate the children of the church to God, and we make a commitment to walk alongside them as they mature and grow. It is a commitment, full of joy and purpose, as we get to stand beside them as they discover the depths of God's love for them and their calling to serve others. We are able to see through their eyes, as they recognize more and more that they are children of God, learning to follow the ways of Jesus.

Children's Sabbath is a special day in the life of our congregation because the children of the church stand in front us and offer their leadership. They have the chance to articulate their faith and to think about the meaning of worship. We celebrate them, and their leadership among us!

Years ago, I heard a story about a parent waiting for the church bus to return from a retreat. She, and her family, had been members of their church for several years. Her child had been on these retreats before. As she was waiting, she was talking to a parent, who was new to the church, and her child was attending the retreat for the first time.

When the church bus pulled into the parking lot, the new parent asked the other parent, "Which one is your child?" She saw her son sitting in the middle of the bus, and she started to point him out. But she also saw the faces of children she had taught in Sunday School or spent time with during Vacation Bible School.

Instead of pointing out her son, she said, "Actually, I think they all are mine!" We walk alongside the children of the church, supporting them and their families, because they belong to all of us!

After Children's Sabbath, we will gather as a family of faith at Town Creek Park for our Churchwide Picnic!

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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

Not meeting October 16.

“Shining Light on Alzheimer’s: A Personal Journey”

Led by Gerald Johnson
October 23

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. This book was the CBF Book Club selection for March 2022. If there are questions about Connecting Faith and Family, email Leah Duzy at aduzyofalife@gmail.com. All are welcome!

FELLOWSHIP

Tea for Women and Girls of AFBC

Sunday, October 30, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Marcie Smith’s home, 1878 Ashe Court, 36830

Ramp is available for accessibility.

Churchwide Picnic

Sunday, October 16

Town Creek Park

After Children’s Sabbath, we will gather at Town Creek Park for our annual churchwide picnic. The church will provide chicken and drinks. *Everyone is invited to bring a side or dessert to share.* Don’t forget your tailgate chair or blanket! In case of rain join us in the Fellowship Hall.

PrimeTimers on the Move

Tuesday, October 18, 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. The cost is \$10. Sign up with the church office by Sunday, October 16. We will stop for lunch (Dutch treat) at Sunny’s Home Cooking on the way back.

Alabama Cooperative Baptist Fellowship

Fall Gathering

“Transforming Alabama”

Thursday, October 20, 12:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Mountain Brook Baptist Church

Further details and registration available:

www.alabamacbf.org/fall-gathering

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall

“Holy Discontent: Unrest, Disputes, and Complaints in Scripture”

Led by Tripp Martin

Available on podcast on website.

Quarterly Business Meeting & Potluck

Thursday, October 27, 5:15 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 Agenda items will be the *revision of the Constitution & Bylaws and recommendation for modernizing our elevator.*

CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH

Persons interested in re-establishing our church’s Conversational English Ministry are invited to a brief meeting in the Fellowship Hall on October 23 immediately after worship. Karen Day will lead us in exploring the different opportunities available and how we might best be of service. Hope you will join us for this exciting first step!

COLLEGE

Pumpkin Carving

Tuesday, October 25, 7:00 p.m.

AFBC Courtyard

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.

Meals for Tuesday Night Bible Study

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.

YOUTH

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

Youth Prayer Breakfast
 Thursday, October 20, 7:00 a.m.
 Panera Bread Company

Youth Halloween Party
 Sunday, October 30, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
 Activities Building

CHILDREN

Children's Sabbath
 Sunday, October 16th, 11:00 a.m., Worship
"God Loves the World"

We look forward to the children of the church leading us in worship! Our mission offering will support Mina and Gennady Podgaisky. Details in the newsletter under Missions.



Fall Festival
 Preschool, Children, and Families
 Saturday, October 22nd
 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 AFBC Courtyard

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

<https://aub.ie/AFBC2022FallFestival>

Food • Fun • Games

Children's Committee Meeting
 Sunday, October 30, 12:00 p.m.
 Fellowship Hall

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Every Sunday	Every Thursday
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.	Brown Bag Dinner 5:15 p.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.	Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Sunday - 16th

Churchwide Picnic.....Town Creek Park 12:00 p.m.

No Evening Activities

Tuesday - 18th

Prime TimersGay Street Lot 8:00 a.m.

Deacons' Meeting.....Fellowship Hall 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday Night Bible Study.....Activities Building 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday - 19th

First BellsChoir Room 12:30 p.m.

Thursday - 20th

Youth Prayer BreakfastPanera Bread Co. 7:00 a.m.

Sanctuary Choir RehearsalChoir Room 6:45 p.m.

Saturday - 22nd

Children's Fall FestivalAFBC Courtyard 3:00 p.m.

Sunday - 23rd

Conversational English MtgFellowship Hall 12:00 p.m.

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

Youth Choir.....Choir 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 - 25th

College Pumpkin CarvingAFBC Courtyard 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday - 26th

First BellsChoir Room 12:30 p.m.

Thursday - 27th

Business Meeting & PotluckFellowship Hall 5:15 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir RehearsalChoir Room 6:45 p.m.

Sunday - 30th

Women's Tea.....1878 Ashe Ct, 36830 2:00 p.m.

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

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

The Round TableFellowship Hall 5:00 p.m.

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MISSIONS

Children's Sabbath Mission Offering

Sunday, October 16

On Sunday, October 16, our children will lead us in worship for Children's Sabbath! Our Children's Sabbath Mission Offering will benefit the work of Mina and Gennady Podgaisky, CBF Field Personnel in Ukraine. They have been stateside since the beginning of the war, but they continue to offer support and to send resources to Ukrainians in 11 different countries. Mina and Gennady Podgaisky recorded a video about their work, which is available at AuburnFBC.org/Podgaisky. The congregation can contribute to this offering by writing Children's Sabbath Mission Offering on the memo line of the check.

Cookie Walk

December 3 at 8:00 a.m.

Baking Cookies

After missing this event in recent years, we look forward to the return of the Cookie Walk this year! 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. The Cookie Walk will be December 3 from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Serving the Month of October

Greeters: Candy Enkeboll, Dale Peterson, Kellie Wilson

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

Visitors:

Serving October 2, 2022

Extended Session: Betty Tatum, Anna Coxwell, Mark Wilson, Ryan Thompson

Serving October 9, 2022

Extended Session: Alison Crosby, Anna Thompson, Kathleen Sabo, Leigh Anne Armstrong, Ashley Aston

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