

# Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

May 1, 2023

### **WORSHIP**

Baby Shower

By: Tripp Martin

May 7th

Fifth Sunday of Easter John 14:1-14 1 Peter 2:2-10

May 14th

Sixth Sunday of Easter John 14:15-21 Acts 17:22-31

Lay Worship Leader for May: Vicky van Santen

#### REMINDERS

## Community Market Baby Shower

Sunday, May 14, 12:00 p.m. AFBC Courtyard

College Choir Reunion

May 26-28, 2023

### Vacation Bible School

"God's Superheroes"

June 5-8, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Children ages 3 - 5<sup>th</sup> grade
(3-year-olds must be potty trained)

On Sunday, May 14, the Mission Committee is planning a Baby Shower for the Community Market after worship. We have gathered for a Baby Shower in recent years, and we look forward to this celebration again!

We are thankful for the Community Market and for how it serves our neighbors. We partner with the Community Market, supporting its work, as it provides for those who are food insecure.

In addition to providing food assistance, the Community Market has a baby closet, which provides necessary items for families with children. The baby closet is always in need of items like baby food, cereal, diapers, wipes, lotions, baby wash, and baby oil. We are invited to bring these items or financial gifts for the Community Market.

After worship on May 14, we will gather in the Courtyard to celebrate this Baby Shower with cupcakes and fellowship! It is fitting that on Mother's Day we offer our support and kindness to the most vulnerable in our community. We give thanks for the children in our community and surround them with our encouragement!

We recognize why Jesus invited the children to gather around him and why we have to become like children to enter the kingdom of God. The empathy and joy we cultivate through caring for children mirrors the steadfast love of God for us all. When we reach out to children, we see the image of God in all people!

We are thankful for the gift of children, and we will express our thanksgiving by showering them with these necessary items. We look forward to gathering after worship on May 14.

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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

Will resume in August.

## **Connecting Faith and Family**

Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Fishers' Classroom Will resume in August.

We will be reading *Raising Your Spirited Child* by Mary Sheedy Kurcinka in August. If you would like a book to start reading over summer please email Leah Duzy at aduzyofalife@gmail.com. All are welcome!

#### **VBS**

## **Vacation Bible School**

"God's Superheroes"

June 5-8, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Children ages 3 - 5<sup>th</sup> grade

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#### **BRAZIL**

# **2023 Brazil Mission Trip**

The 2023 mission trip to Brazil this summer is scheduled for July 1-14. Currently, four persons are representing AFBC on this trip. If you are interested in going, it is not too late. The cost estimated is \$2600-2700 for the two weeks. This includes airfare plus food and lodging while there. There is a one week option if that is what your schedule permits. Attendees will work in one of three areas: construction, Bible School, eyeglass distribution. You do not need a particular skill level, but it is hoped you will be enthusiastic about helping where needed.

Wallace Baldwin, who led the Brazil trip for a number of years, has relocated to Pensacola, FL. Stephanie Renuart has agreed to be the local POC for the effort. You may contact her at 256-825-5952 or <a href="mailto:swren-uart@msn.com">swren-uart@msn.com</a>. She can answer questions that you might have. If the cost of the trip is what is keeping you away, please check with Stephanie as there are some church members willing to provide assistance.

For those of you who wish to help from home, we are once more collecting: baseball caps, t-shirts, and school supplies for distribution. We can also accept other donations that travel well such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, and hard candy.

#### **THURSDAYS**

# **Thursday Evening Activities**

5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall

"Prayers in Scripture (That Are Not the Lord's Prayer)" Led by Tripp Martin Available on podcast on website.

#### CHILDREN

## **Inquirers' Class**

for the second through fifth grade Sunday School May 7 & 14

During May, these students will gather during Sunday School with Tripp to focus on various aspects of our faith, providing the children an opportunity to ask questions!



# Preschool School's Out Bash

Saturday, May 20 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Town Creek Inclusive Playground

Join us for lunch and lots of fun to celebrate the beginning of summer! Food & drinks provided.

## **Family Day of Service**

Saturday, June 10, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Community Market

Families and their children (ages 4+) are invited to come for a day of service at the Community Market. We will restock shelves along with other tasks. We will meet at the Community Market at 9:00 a.m. (3810 Pepperell Pkwy, Opelika, AL 36801). We might finish before 12:00 p.m. Wear closed-toed shoes. If you are planning on coming, please email Tripp, so we can give them a head count. (tmartin@auburnfbc.org)

# PassportKids Camp

July 16-19, 2023
Rock Eagle 4H Center, Eatonton, Georgia

Children's Choirs & Bible Encounter
Will resume in August.

#### YOUTH

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

Will resume in August.

**Youth Sunday Nights** 

Sundays, 6:00 p.m. Youth Room Will resume in August.

## **Youth Senior Celebration**

May 7 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

# **Youth Prayer Breakfast**

Thursday, May 10, 7:00 a.m. Panera Bread Company

# **Youth Committee Meeting**

Monday, May 15, 6:00 p.m., Zoom

## School's (Almost) Out Event

Sunday, May 21, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., Chewacla

Youth and families are invited to enjoy a cookout lunch, playing, and spending time together.

#### COLLEGE

Please pray for students as they take finals, finish the semester, and travel home.

## **Finals Study Hours**

April 30 - May 4, 5:00 - 10:00 p.m. Activities Building

## **Bible Study & Breakfast**

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

# **College Tuesday Night Bible Study**

7:00 p.m., Activities Building Will resume in August.

Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

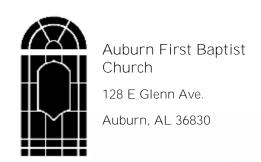
Every Sunday Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.	Every Thursday Brown Bag Dinner Prayer & Bible Study	5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	
Wednesday - 3rd			
Conversational English Activities Building		00 a.m.	
First BellsChoir Room		12:30 p.m.	
Thursday - 4th			
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Choir Room		30 p.m.	
Sunday - 7th			
Youth Senior Celebration AFB	C Courtyard 7:0	00 p.m.	
No Evening Services			
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First Bells Choir Room		30 p.m.	
Conversational English Activities Building		30 p.m.	
CDC Committee Meeting Library		45 p.m.	
Thursday - 11th			
Stewardship Committee Mtg Libra	ary 5:0	00 p.m.	
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Choir Room		30 p.m.	
Sunday - 14th			
Comm. Market Baby Shower AFB	C Courtyard 12:	00 p.m.	
No Evening Activities			

#### **FELLOWSHIP**

# There Is a Calling for Every Season

Saturday, June 17, 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall
Breakfast and Lunch Included
Led by Tripp Martin

We will talk about God's calling as it changes throughout our lives. We will focus on middle and late adult-hood. This event is funded through our Life is Calling grant. We will explore God's calling as we fellowship together and imagine God's calling for every season of our lives. Please email the front desk to sign up, so we can plan breakfast and lunch for everyone, frontdesk@auburnfbc.org.



#### **MUSIC**

# **College Choir Reunion**

May 26-28, 2023

We will have a churchwide potluck following worship on Sunday, May 28, when the College Choir will sing. The church will provide the chicken and drinks. *Everyone bring food to share!* 

# **CBF General Assembly Registration**

Atlanta, GA, June 28 - 30 Registration: www.cbf.net/assembly

#### **MISSIONS**

## IT'S A BABY SHOWER!!

Sunday, May 14, 12:00 p.m., AFBC Courtyard

The Community Market always needs baby food and cereal, diapers, wipes, lotion, baby wash, baby oil and any other baby items. Financial gifts are also welcome. This event will be moved to the Coleman Fellowship Hall in the event of inclement weather. This will be a gathering moment after worship.

## Serving the Month of May

Greeters: Mike Aston, Dee Williams

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

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**Visitors:** TBA

#### Serving May 7, 2023

Extended Session: Cindy Cleveland, Jay Spiers, Leah

Duzy, Emily Wilkins

#### **Serving May 14, 2023**

**Extended Session:** Charlotte Sutton, Anna Thompson, Ashley Randle, Felicia McInnis

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