



Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

October 15, 2018

WORSHIP

October 21st

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
Mark 10:30-45

October 28th

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
Mark 10:46-52
Psalm 34:1-8

Lay Worship Leader for October:
Anna Coxwell

Together for Hope

By: Tripp Martin

On October 21, the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Alabama will have its annual meeting. Whenever I attend a CBF meeting, I am thankful for the people in the room, the spirit of cooperation, and the history of CBF's efforts. One of the efforts I am particular grateful for is the *Together for Hope* initiative.

In 2001 when I was a student in seminary, I heard about *Together for Hope* for the first time. It was going to be a 20-year commitment to the 20 poorest counties in the United States. The energy around such an initiative was meaningful and inspiring!

The commitment, which stretches across the rural landscape of this country, from Arizona to Appalachia, including *Sowing Seeds of Hope* in Marion, Alabama (Perry County), supported by AFBC, has focused on the needs of education, health and nutrition, housing and environment, and social enterprise. It diligently supports community development and the concrete needs of our neighbors. It is hard to believe that we are approaching the end of that 20-year commitment in 2020.

As often times happens, an end becomes a beginning, as CBF continues to imagine its calling and respond with its commitment. CBF is preparing to shift from focusing on the 20 poorest counties to expand its work through partnerships and various efforts to the 301 counties of persistent rural poverty throughout the United States identified by the USDA. A number of these counties will be in Alabama.

A central commitment to the needs of our neighbors in the poorest counties of the country calls forth a spirit of cooperation! It focuses on the calling of Jesus to care for the least of these. It reminds us that service and humility are essential on our faith journey.

Together for Hope is part of the story of AFBC. It calls our attention to places throughout the country with these particular needs, and it reminds us to look for our neighbors in our community, shouldering similar burdens. We are thankful for these efforts and our partnership with others as we address these needs. We share in such work, as we support it, participate in it, and celebrate it!

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:

Bit.ly/Pledge19AFBC

We are thankful for the commitment of the congregation!

Fall Festival

Preschool, Children, and Families
Saturday, October 27th, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Auburn First Baptist Church
Activities Building

Put on your costume and bring your family and friends for

Food • Fun • Games

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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.

Christmas Ministry Project 2018

Starting now on the annual project to offer kindness at Christmas to the inmates of Lee County Jail will make sure we have the Christmas boxes ready for their Christmas program.

For the past few years, members of our congregation have shown a preference for donating \$15 and letting the Jail Ministry Committee shop for the contents of the boxes. Checks should be made to AFBC (notation: Jail Ministry Christmas Project). Early checks will be appreciated.

The \$15 covers the cost of a devotional book, ten envelopes, two pens, 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.

Several churches share the work of preparing 400 boxes. Auburn First Baptist and Opelika United Methodist each prepare 150 boxes, several small churches in Auburn and Opelika are assisting our church with our boxes.

Production line

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 27th, Fellowship Hall
Volunteers are welcome.

Christmas Program at the Jail

Wednesday, December 19th

The program is repeated all day for groups of prisoners. Usually, our church is the focus of the one o' clock program. For a real Christmas blessing, please plan to attend. Co-chairs for the shoe box programs are Mary Joe Howard and Teresa Vest. Other Jail Ministry team members are Helen Brown, Brenda Cantini, Cindy Cleveland, Laura Edgar, Susan Hafner, Nancy Roberts, and Lisa Stone.

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: _____

Alabama CBF Fall Gathering

Sunday, October 21 & Monday, October 22

Mountain Brook Baptist Church

Birmingham, Alabama

More details at www.alabamacbf.org/fall-gathering/

Sunday

3:00 p.m. Welcome/Breakout Sessions

5:30 p.m. Dinner (\$10/person)

6:15 p.m. Alabama CBF Life Together

6:45 p.m. Worship

Monday

9:00 a.m. The Enneagram with Melody Harrell
Childcare is available.

All Saints' Day

On Sunday, November 4, we will celebrate All Saints' Day along with churches around the world. We celebrate All Saints' Day on the Sunday closest to November 1, which is All Saints' Day on the Church's Calendar. It is a day to remember and give thanks for the saints that have gone before us. As part of our worship on Sunday, November 4, we will call out the names of church members, who have passed away in the last twelve months, giving thanks for what they have meant to the life of this congregation.

STUDY

Round Table

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

"A Conversation with Bill Skoneki"

Priest, St. Michael's Catholic Church

October 21st

"Talking About the Farm: The Writings of Wendell Berry"

Frank Randle and Tripp Martin

Begins October 28th

Connecting Faith and Family

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

Discussion and support about parenting and personal spiritual growth. We will discuss *The Price of Privilege* by Madeline Levine. All are welcome!

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

5:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Remember to RSVP for dinner by noon on Tuesday of each week.

Quarterly Business Meeting

Thursday, October 25, 5:45 pm, Fellowship Hall

Agenda Items: Trustees' Recommendation for BSU payment, Trustees' Recommendation for Yates Trust Fund, Recommendation for Mission Trust Fund, preparation for a Church Directory, and Life is Calling Initiative.

YOUTH

Thursday Nights

5:15 p.m. Dinner

5:45 p.m. Youth Hang Out Time

Youth Choir

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

Youth Sunday Nights

Sundays, 6:00 p.m.,
Youth Room

Youth Night

Friday, November 2nd, 6:15 p.m.

Duck Samford Stadium

CHILDREN

Fall Festival

Preschool, children, and Families

Saturday, October 27th, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Activities Building

Put on your costume and bring your
family and friends for

Food • Fun • Games

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:

October 18th: Stephanie Renuart

October 25th: Leigh Anne Armstrong

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Every Sunday

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Every Thursday

Dinner 5:15 p.m.

Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 16th

Senior Adult Luncheon Fellowship Hall 11:00 a.m.

Dayfriends..... Tazikis 11:45 a.m.

Deacons' Meeting Seekers' 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday - 17th

Conversational English Education Building 9:00 a.m.

Thursday - 18th

First Bells..... Choir Room 12:30 p.m.

Youth Hang Out Time..... Youth Room 5:45 p.m.

Spark Adventure Education Building 5:50 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

Sunday - 21st

Youth Committee Mtg Youth Room 12:00 p.m.

Mission Committee Mtg Library 3:30 p.m.

Alabama CBF Fall Gathering..... Mtn Brook Baptist 3:00 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.

YSN..... Youth Room 6:00 p.m.

Monday - 22nd

Alabama CBF Fall Gathering..... Mtn Brook Baptist 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday - 23rd

Caring Hands Fellowship Hall 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday - 24th

Conversational English Education Building 9:00 a.m.

Senior Adult Dinner Good Ol' Boys 5:00 p.m.

Thursday - 25th

First Bells..... Choir Room 12:30 p.m.

Quarterly Business Mtg Fellowship Hall 5:45 p.m.

Youth Hang Out Time..... Youth Room 5:45 p.m.

Spark Adventure Education Building 5:50 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

Saturday - 27th

Fall Festival..... Activities Building 3:00 p.m.

Sunday - 28th

Children's Committee Mtg Fellowship Hall 12:00 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.

YSN..... Youth Room 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 30th

Dayfriends..... Moe's BBQ 11:45 a.m.

Wednesday - 31st

Conversational English Education Building 9:00 a.m.

COLLEGE

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.



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MISSIONS

Children and the Habitat for Humanity Cookie Walk

Sunday, November 4th at 4:00 p.m.

The Mission Committee invites children in Kindergarten through 5th grade to make cookies for the We-Help Coalition's Annual Cookie Walk on Sunday, November 4 at 4:00 p.m. in the Coleman Fellowship Hall. Children will prepare cookies from 4:00-5:00 p.m. and then return to bag cookies from 6:00-6:30 p.m. The Cookie Walk will be on Saturday, December 1.

Community Market - Baby Items

At the Community Market, the baby closet offers *infant dry cereal, baby food (jars), baby wipes, and diapers or pull-ups (all sizes)*. These are needs that are ongoing. The Mission Committee would like to focus on collecting these items for the Community Market. There is a basket outside of the church office, where these items can be placed. Thank you for caring for the youngest amongst us and supporting families in our community, as they care for their children!

Global Ministries Offering Update

Goal: \$24,500.00

Pledged: \$14,663.50

Given toward pledge: \$11,022.50

Given unpledged: \$8,115.00

Total Given: \$19,137.50

Serving the Month of October

Greeters: Aaron & Brenda Greene

Visitors: Ray & Shirley Brown

Offering: College

Serving October 21, 2018

Counters: Wallace Baldwin, Donna Bennett, Hazel Lee

Sound & Light: Gary Cantini

Extended Session: Marcie Smith, Suzanne Parish, Anne Randle, Cathy Summers, Anna Parish, Candy Enkeboll, Mark Wilson

Loaves & Fishes: Dee Williams & Friends

Serving October 28, 2018

Counters: Aaron Greene, Bill Webster, James Nichols

Sound & Light: Lindsay Crosby

Extended Session: Beth Smith, Amber Berry-Moore, Jeannie Bumgardner, Shane Dunn, Joan Layne, Katharine Martin, Spenser Keel

Loaves & Fishes: Chris Boylen, Connie Rosenblatt, Charlotte Ward

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*Listen to the service Sunday mornings
at 11 am on WAUD 1230 AM*