

Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

April 1, 2019

WORSHIP

April 7th

Fifth Sunday of Lent Philippians 3:4b-14 Youth Sunday

April 14th

Palm Sunday Luke 19:28-40 Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Lay Worship Leader for April: Elizabeth Jordan

REMINDERS

Global Ministries Offering

GMO Sunday is over but your opportunity to participate is not! Gifts can be brought to the church office or placed in the offering plate.

Egg-stravaganza

April 6th, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Sam Harris Park

Youth Sunday

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VBS Volunteer Meeting

April 14th, 12:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall

A Survey about Calling

By: Tripp Martin

Our congregation is participating in the Life is Calling Initiative at Samford University's Center for Congregational Resources. Our Life is Calling Committee (Beth Smith, Mark Wilson, Ronda West, Leah Duzy, & Patrick White) has been meeting and reflecting on our calling as a congregation. They will also apply for a grant for our congregation through this initiative, enabling us to explore our calling in important ways.

The Center for Congregational Resources is studying churches' understanding of calling throughout Alabama. Sixteen churches are participating in this program, and along with these churches, we will fill out a survey about calling. The Life is Calling Committee will send the church an online link to complete this survey.

The survey will give Samford input for their study. They will also provide us with the results from our survey. The survey is anonymous and will only take about fifteen minutes to complete.

Our Life is Calling Committee has been discussing the meaning of calling in terms of our congregation. Often times, we hear "calling" defined in terms of an individual's vocation, which certainly applies. There are other questions, though, which have bearing on the meaning of our calling.

- What is the calling we receive at baptism?
- What is the calling of the church, as the body of Christ?
- What are we called to collectively?

We might remember the days when someone would say, "You are going to be the next Billy Graham," but a calling to ministry is not the only definition of calling. We all share a common calling as people of the Way, as followers of Christ.

We are called to the ways of Jesus, so whereas we might ponder the particular shape of our individual calling, we do not have to wonder whether we have a calling. The good news is that we share this calling with each other!

This is what the Apostle Paul meant when he talked about many members, but one body. We are stronger together, benefiting from what we have in common as well as from what makes us different.

Throughout the Life is Calling Initiative, this is something we will ponder and celebrate!

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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.

Youth Sunday

April 7

Each year, Auburn FBC invites its youth to lead us in worship, which always exceeds our expectations! We are reminded of the voices among us and their insightful, prayerful, hopeful leadership that benefits the church every Sunday. We are thankful for the thoughtful, discerning faith of our young people. They help us to see the world from a different vantage point, standing in the place from which they see the world.

We hope that on Youth Sunday they will also hear the voice of the church say, "Thanks be to God!" We offer our affirmation of their leadership, walking beside them as they grow up and foster their maturity. They are a gift to us, and we will celebrate this gift on Youth Sunday. We are thankful for their preparation and leadership!

STUDY

Round Table

Sundays at 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
"Christianity in the United States Today"

April 7

Led by Dr. Fisher Humphries

"A Conversation on Grief, Caregiving, and Self-care"

April 14 & 28

Led by Laura Eason, Chaplain, EAMC

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 More Than Words, 10 Values For The Modern Family by Erin Wathen. All are welcome!

LENT

Lenten Lunches

Wednesdays, 12:00-1:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall Each Wednesday during Lent from March 6 to April 17 (not meeting March 13), we will gather for a Lenten Lunch. We will provide a sandwich lunch from Amsterdam's for \$5.00, or you can bring your own lunch.

If you would like the meal from Amsterdam's, please RSVP to the church office by Tuesday morning, <u>kristina@auburnfbc.org</u>, so we can plan accordingly.

April 3 – A Radical & Balanced Life April 10 – The Sacredness of Each Day April 17 – The Surprise of Resurrection

Easter Lilies

If you would like to place Easter Lilies in the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, your order, accompanied by a check payable to Auburn First Baptist Church (note Lily), must be in the church office by *Thursday, April 11th*. The cost is \$10 per plant.

Given by:	 	
In Memory of:		
In Honor of:		

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

5:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

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

April 4 - Stories of Faith: Hymns and Anthems
Amelia White

April 11 - Not Meeting; Campus Kitchens Dinner on Monday, April 8.

April 18 - Maundy Thursday Worship, 6:00 p.m. Brown Bag Dinner

April 25 - Quarterly Business Meeting

COLLEGE

Upcoming Dates:

April 2 – Cookout in the Courtyard, 7:00 p.m.

April 8 – Campus Kitchens Dinner, 6:30 p.m.

April 23 – Randle Farms, 6:30 p.m.

April 28 - College Graduate Recognition, 11:00 a.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

Thursday Nights

5:15 p.m. Dinner 5:45 p.m. Youth Hang Out Time

Youth Choir Youth Sunday Nights

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Upcoming Dates:

April 7 – Youth Sunday, 11:00 a.m.

April 7 – Youth Parents' Night, 6:00 p.m.

April 14 – Youth Committee Meeting, 12:00 p.m.

CBF General Assembly Registration

Birmingham, Alabama June 19-21

Registration: www.cbf.net/assembly

Volunteers Needed

Since AL CBF is hosting General Assembly in Birmingham, volunteers from Alabama will be needed. To sign up to volunteer for a limited shift: https://cbf.net/volunteer-at-generalassembly.

CHILDREN



Preschool & Children's Egg-stravaganza

April 6th, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Sam Harris Park

Join us for an egg hunt! Sam Harris Park is located at 850 Foster Street in Auburn.

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:

April 4th: Leigh Anne Armstrong April 11th: Mary Joe Howard

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

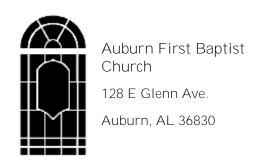
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Every Sunday	Every Thursday	
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.	Dinner	5:15 p.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.	Prayer & Bible Stud	dy 6:00 p.m.
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Tuesday - 2nd Dayfriends	Maryle'a	11:45 a m
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TNBS	Courtyard	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 3rd	Education Duilding	0.00
Conversational English	-	9:00 a.m.
Lenten Lunch I	reliowship Hall	12:00 p.m.
Thursday - 4th	Ol i., D	12.20
First Bells		12:30 p.m.
Youth Hang Out Time		5:45 p.m.
Spark Adventure I		5:50 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	6:45 p.m.
Saturday - 6th		10.00
Egg-stravaganza	Sam Harris Park	10:00 a.m.
Sunday - 7th		
Music Committee Meeting		12:00 p.m.
Children's Choir I		5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir		5:00 p.m.
The Round Table		5:00 p.m.
Connecting Faith & Family I		5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter I	· ·	6:00 p.m.
YSN	Youth Room	6:00 p.m.
Youth Parents' Night I	Fellowship Hall	6:00 p.m.
Monday - 8th		
Campus Kitchens Potluck I	Fellowship Hall	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday - 9th		
Caring Hands I	•	5:30 p.m.
TNBS	College Room	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 10th		
Conversational English I	Education Building	9:00 a.m.
Lenten Lunch I	-	12:00 p.m.
CDC Committee Meeting	Library	5:45 p.m.
Thursday - 11th		
First Bells	Choir Room	12:30 p.m.
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Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	6:00 p.m.
No Even	ing Activities	
Sunday - 14th		
VBS Volunteer Meeting I	Fellowship Hall	12:00 p.m.
Youth Committee Meeting	Youth Room	12:00 p.m.
Children's Choir I	Education Building	5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir	Choir Room	5:00 p.m.
The Round Table I	Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
Connecting Faith & Family	Fishers'	5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter I		6:00 p.m.
YSN		6:00 p.m.

VBS

Vacation Bible School

"Water U Doing?"

Join us June 3-6 (Monday - Thursday evenings) as we learn about Bible stories and learn about *Watering Malawi*. We will discover the importance of water for our faith and for serving others! Our Directors will be Cathy Summers and Sue Walker.



MISSIONS

Potluck Dinner for Campus Kitchens

Monday, April 8, 6:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall The Campus Kitchens at Auburn University is an organization comprised of students, collecting unserved food from campus and distributing it to those in need. We will celebrate this work with a churchwide potluck. The students will join us in the Fellowship Hall. The church will provide the chicken and drinks. Bring sides and desserts to share!

Brasil Mission Trip

Plans are beginning for the 2019 Brasil Mission Trip. This will be the 32nd annual trip for members of Auburn FBC, from surrounding churches, and other states. We hope you are interested in going! The dates are July 6-20. We will also offer dates of July 6-14 for those who cannot stay the entire time. The total cost should be about \$2000.

If you are interested in being a part of the team, contact Wallace Baldwin or Mike Bumgardner. Also, we need used suitcases donated to the team to carry supplies.

Serving the Month of April

Greeters: Nancy Roberts & Daniel Udochi

Visitors: Charles & Sybil Gross Loaves & Fishes: Seekers

Offering: College

Serving April 7, 2019

Counters: Wallace Baldwin, Hazel Lee

Sound & Light: Chad Parish

Extended Session: Shane Dunn, Marcie Smith, Lynn Eden, Brian Ledbetter, Lee McInnis, Leigh Anne Arm-

strong, Katharine Martin

Serving April 14, 2019

Counters: Charles Segrest, Bill Webster, James Nichols

Sound & Light: Michael Cline

Extended Session: Betty Tatum, Suzanne Parish, Anne Randle, Jason Summers, Franklin Randle, Jo Jones, Cyn-

thia Smithart

Global Ministries Offering Update

Goal: \$24,500.00 Pledged: \$12,710.00 Given toward pledge: \$2,260.00 Given unpledged: \$2,895.00

GMO Sunday is over but your opportunity to participate is not! If you did not already pledge or give to the GMO, please prayerfully consider making a monthly pledge or a one time gift. The GMO gifts help in so many ways: locally, state-wide, nationally and internationally. Pledges can be made online at <u>Auburn-FBC.org/GMO19</u> or via pledge cards available in the sanctuary.

Loaves and Fishes Volunteers Needed

The Loaves and Fishes program ministers to people in our community by furnishing hot meals every Tuesday to recipients selected by the Salvation Army, our partner in this ministry. If you would be willing to take a week or two and prepare 16 meals for the Loaves and Fishes Ministry, please contact the church office. We currently need volunteers for *May 14 & 21 and July 16, 23, & 30*.

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