Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

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WORSHIP

Choir Recognition

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On Sunday, May 5 at 6:15 p.m., the children and youth of the church will share the music they have been preparing at our Choir Recognition Service. They will stand on the steps at the front of the sanctuary and offer the gift of music. It is music that teaches and comforts, calls and instructs! We will gather with them and around them, giving thanks for their gifts.

I still remember the steps at the front of the sanctuary where I grew up in Augusta, Georgia. There was bright, red carpet beneath our feet. The steps in front of the congregation were strangely nerve-racking and deeply comforting. Everyone was focused on you, but they were the eyes of affirmation.

There is so much that takes place on those steps. Parents stand in front of them during baby dedication, as the congregation makes a commitment to walk beside the children of the church as they grow up. Children sit down on those steps during the Children's Period. Our young people walk up those steps to the pulpit, leading in worship on Children's Sabbath and Youth Sunday.

Standing there in front of the congregation we might feel nervous, as if the world is watching us; but it is the affirmation of the congregation, which reminds us of everything we have to offer the world! As the congregation listens to us sing or lead in worship, they affirm the image of God within us, and when they affirm us, we hear again of the goodness God has placed inside of us.

On those steps, we also discover that our voices matter! We have something to sing, and we have something to say on behalf of the needs of this world and in recognition of God's grace.

We become a voice in the choir of the church, proclaiming forgiveness and justice for the world. As the church shapes our voices, we mature in our faith.

In just a hand full of days, our children and youth will stand on those steps yet again. We will listen, and we will affirm! We will also give thanks for their presence among us because they are a gift. We learn with them and walk beside them on the journey of faith!

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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.

May 5th

Third Sunday of Easter John 21:1-19 Acts 9:1-20

May 12th

Fourth Sunday of Easter John 10:22-30 Psalm 23

Lay Worship Leader for May: Shane Dunn

REMINDERS

Choir Recognition and Family Dessert Fellowship *Sunday, May 5th, 6:15 p.m., Sanctuary*

End of Year BBQ Families, Children, & Preschool Sunday, May 19th, 12:00 p.m. Activities Building

Vacation Bible School

June 3-6 *Water U Doing?* Register now at AuburnFBC.org/VBS19!

VBS



"Water U Doing?" *Register today at AuburnFBC.org/VBS19*!

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

Decorating Day: Sunday, June 2nd, 2:00 p.m.

STUDY

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

"The Name of God Throughout Scripture" Led by Tripp Martin May 5, Final Meeting

Connecting Faith and Family

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

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!

AFBC Weekday Parking

As a reminder, weekday parking for Auburn FBC is found in the Gay Street parking lot. The church leases the College Street parking lot to the city during the week. The employees of City Hall use it, and this generates helpful financial resources for our congregation. The parking lot is leased from 8:00-5:30 p.m. during the week. There are signs posted, and the city does issue tickets. The church office is unable to negotiate with the city for tickets issued to church members. Remember to park in the Gay Street parking lot during the week. If a church member has a handicapped sticker, he or she can park in the handicap spots in the College Street parking lot during the week. Also, the city vacates the lot when we have funerals, so it is available for general parking during those services.

Thursday Evening Activities

5:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

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

May 2 - *Stories of Faith: Hymns and Anthems*, Shane Dunn May 9, 16, 23, & 30 - Public Theology: Church Van Karaoke

We will not meet on Thursdays during June and July because of summer activities and people traveling.

Potluck Dinner with Cross Road Baptist Church

Wednesday, June 13th, 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

We are joining with Cross Road Baptist Church again this year for Vacation Bible School. In order to celebrate, we will gather on Wednesday, June 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a Potluck Dinner. We will welcome everyone from Cross Road along with Dr. Johnny Green, our friend and their pastor.

Choir Recognition and Dessert Fellowship

Sunday, May 5th, 6:15 p.m., Sanctuary Our Children and Youth choirs will share the music they have been preparing.

Please bring your families' favorite dessert to share!

Senior Adult Lunch

Tuesday, May 21st, 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall

COLLEGE

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

Bible Study & Breakfast Sundays, 10:15 a.m. College Room (Activities Building)

College Tuesday Night Bible Study *Will resume in August* Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.

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

Upcoming Dates:

May 5 - Choir Recognition May 19 - Cookout at the Edens' Farm May 22 - Summer Celebration at Holy Trinity

CHILDREN



End of School Year BBQ & Potluck

Sunday, May 19th

12:00-2:00 p.m., Activities Building All preschool, children, and their families are invited! Join us for BBQ (provided by the church) as we celebrate the end of the school year. RSVP by email at <u>kris-</u> <u>tina@auburnfbc.org</u> or call 887-8506. *Please bring a side or dessert to share!*

Children's Choirs (3* year olds – 5th Grade)

Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Education Building *We ask that all attendees be potty trained. May 5, Final Meeting

Bible Encounter (1st – 5th graders)

Sundays, 6:00 p.m., Education Building May 5, Final Meeting

Spark Adventure

Thursdays, 5:50 p.m., Education Building Helpers: May 2: Dawn Driggers May 9: Julie McClanahan

Inquirers' Class

for the third through fifth grade Sunday School May 5, 12, & 19

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!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Every SundaySunday School9:45 a.m.Morning Worship11:00 a.m.	<i>Every Thursday</i> Dinner Prayer & Bible Stud	5:15 p.m. y 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 1st		
Conversational English Ec	lucation Building	9:00 a.m.
Thursday - 2nd		
Youth Hang Out Time	outh Room	5:45 p.m.
Spark Adventure Ec	lucation Building	5:50 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Ch	ioir Room	6:45 p.m.
Sunday - 5th		
Children's Choir Ec	lucation Building	5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir Ch	oir Room	5:00 p.m.
The Round Table Fe	llowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
Connecting Faith & Family Fis	shers'	5:00 p.m.
Choir Recognition Sa	nctuary	6:15 p.m.
Wednesday - 8th		
CDC Committee MeetingLi	brary	5:45 p.m.
Thursday - 9th		
Stewardship Committee Mtg Li	brary	5:00 p.m.
Youth Hang Out Time	outh Room	5:45 p.m.
Spark Adventure Ec	lucation Building	5:50 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Ch	oir Room	6:45 p.m.
Sunday - 12th		
No Evening Activities		
Tuesday - 14th		
Dayfriends Ch	appy's Deli	11:45 a.m.
Caring Hands Fe	llowship Hall	5:30 p.m.



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MISSIONS

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.

Habitat for Humanity

One of our long-term partnerships in ministry is Habitat for Humanity in Lee County. We partner with Habitat for Humanity through the We Help Coalition, a group of churches supporting this work. We support the construction of homes and the building of families through Habitat for Humanity.

If you would like to be added to the email listserv, notifying church members of opportunities to volunteer on building projects, please send your email address to Kristina Hickman at kristina@auburnfbc.org

Serving the Month of May

Greeters: Dee Williams & Gina Cantrell **Visitors:** Randy & Ronda West **Offering:** Sojourners

Serving May 5, 2019

Counters: Wallace Baldwin, Hazel Lee Sound & Light: Lynli Cantrell-Wright Extended Session: Amanda Oliver, Marcie Smith, Jeannie Bumgardner, Lynn Eden, Patrick White, Candy Enkeboll, Mark Wilson Loaves & Fishes: Gwynne Lovelady

Serving May 12, 2019

Counters: Charles Segrest, Bill Webster, James Nichols Sound & Light: David Sutton Extended Session: Lesley Odom, Cindy Cleveland, Alex Ritenbaugh, Cathy Summers, Franklin Randle, Terri Wood, Mary Lynn Porter Loaves & Fishes: Chris Boylen

Help our Brasil Mission Team!

Below is a *list of items* the mission team will need for the children of Brasil. Please place donations for this project in the bucket provided in the hallway outside the church office.

Items needed include: coloring books and crayons, pencils, small pencil sharpeners, ball point pens, six inch rulers, individually wrapped chewing gum, bubble gum and hard candy (no chocolate), baseball type caps, stickers (smiley faces, etc), quart size zipper storage bags, toothbrushes, toothpaste, t-shirts, and work gloves.

Conversational English Ministry

Our Conversational English classes finish this week for the school year. We are thankful for all of the teachers, assistants, and students, who participated this year! The classes meet on Wednesday mornings. If you are interested in helping next year, all are welcome!

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