

Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

September 15, 2023

WORSHIP

September 17

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Romans 14.1-12 Mathew 18. 21-35

September 24

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Jonah 3.10-4.11 Matthew 20.1-16

Lay Worship Leader for September: Gerald Johnson

REMINDERS

Deacon Nominations & Committee on Committees Requests

Deadline is September 15

Email <u>angela@auburnfbc.org</u> to submit names and requests.

Pledge Sunday

October 1

As Pledge Sunday approaches, we reflect on our gifts to the church.

Children's Sabbath and Churchwide Picnic

Sunday, October 8
We look forward to the children leading us in worship and to our picnic afterwards.

Tripp Martin's 10-Year Anniversary at Auburn First Baptist Church

By: The Personnel Committee

It is with joy and thanksgiving that we celebrate the milestone of Tripp Martin as Pastor of AFBC for 10 years. Walking the journey together as a family of faith allows the following words of affirmation from members to be shared with the Personnel Committee about our beloved Pastor.

"Tripp is one of the most gracious and compassionate pastors I have ever encountered. His kindness is genuine, and he takes care of our congregation in ways that truly make us a family of faith."

"When I think of Tripp's pastoral ministry, I think of 'intention' -- Tripp's care is never haphazard or flighty, and because of that, it is thorough for the congregation. I think of 'honesty' -- Tripp's care acknowledges the complex and often difficult nature of life, even/especially for young people, and because of that, it is compassionate for the congregation. I think of 'friendly' -- Tripp's care meets each person where we are, and because of that, our congregants feel cared for and ministered to without feeling condescended to or placated. I think of 'resourceful' -- Tripp's care has learning and thought to back it up, and because of that, it goes below the surface of pop-culture advice to soul-deep connection."

"No member expects a pastor to excel in the three big tasks--preaching/ teaching, pastoral care and administration. Our dear Pastor Tripp is the exception--he is outstanding in all areas. His leadership inspires us to think and grow, his kindness touches our hearts, and his example encourages us to be our best selves. We thank God for Tripp and his family; they truly bless our AFBC family."

"The symbol for the tenth anniversary is not silver or gold but tin. How perfect for Pastor Tripp and family at this time. From day one, we have had the gifts of gold and silver. The tin symbol declares going strong for some time. Durability and strength and longevity. With the wonderful gifts of caring and shepherding, the tin man with a heart, we value the gifts from the Martin family of stability and longevity."

Tripp will be honored at the end of the service on September 17 and all are invited for a gathering moment in the courtyard to share a word of thanks.

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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.

Pledge Sunday

Sunday, October 1, Worship

Pledge Sunday is a time for our congregation to prepare for the ministries and mission of 2024. The church will provide copies of the Preliminary Budget around the church towards the end of September. An Estimate of Giving Card will be emailed to the congregation on Monday, September 25, and it will be available in the sanctuary the prior Sunday. We are invited to consider our giving to the church for 2024, and we are grateful for the ongoing commitment of this congregation as we minister together! The link for this is www.auburnfbc.org/give24.

FELLOWSHIP

PrimeTimers GameDay

Tuesday, September 19, 1:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Join us for an afternoon of fun and games. Snacks provided.

Churchwide Picnic

Sunday, October 8

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 a tailgate chair or blanket! In case of rain, join us in the Activities Building.

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

5:45 p.m., September 28th, Fellowship Hall
"The Map of Our Faith"
Led by Tripp Martin
Available on podcast on website.
Not meeting September 21

We will explore the places we find in scripture and consider where we are on the map of our faith.

Round Table

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

"Life in a Limerick: Tell Me Your Story,
But Make it Quick"

Led by Leigh Anne Armstrong, September 17 & 24

Connecting Faith and Family

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

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

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.

Meals for Tuesday Night Bible Study

Thank you for always supporting our college ministry. This important mission and ministry of our church could not happen without the support of our entire congregation. One of the most meaningful things we do is offer students a meal and opportunity for fellowship to begin each Tuesday night. If you are interested in sponsoring a dinner or preparing a home-cooked meal for our College Tuesday Night Bible Study this fall, please email Laura at laura@auburnfbc.org or call her at 334-233-2267.

YOUTH

Youth Choir Sundays, 5:00 p.m.

Choir Room

Youth Sunday Nights

Sundays, 6:00 p.m. Youth Room

Youth Parent's Night

Sunday, September 17, 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Youth Committee Meeting

Sunday, September 24, 12:00 p.m. Activities Building

CHILDREN

Teddy Bear Sleepover

September 23, 5:30 p.m., Activities Building
Pizza will be served. Bring your favorite stuffed animal!

Children's Sabbath

Sunday, October 8, 11:00 a.m., Worship
"The Beatitudes"
We look forward to the children of the church leading us in worship!

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)

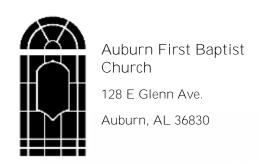
Sundays, 6:00 p.m., Education Building

Passport Kids Camp

Rock Eagle 4-H Center
Eatonton, GA
July 14-17, 2024
Students 3rd - 5th grades
\$50 deposit, \$375 total (includes deposit)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Every Sunday Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday - 17th	Every Thursday Brown Bag Dinner Prayer & Bible Stud	
The Round Table	Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
Connecting Faith & Family	Fishers' Classroom	5:00 p.m.
Children's Choir	Education Building	5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir	Choir Room	5:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday Night	Activities Building	6:00 p.m.
Youth Parent's Night	Fellowship Hall	6:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter	Education Building	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday - 19th		
PrimeTimers	Fellowship Hall	1:00 p.m.
Deacons' Meeting	Fellowship Hall	6:30 p.m.
College Bible Study	Activities Building	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 20th		
Conversational English	Activities Building	5:30 p.m.
Thursday - 21st		
No Evening Activities		
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	6:30 p.m.
Saturday - 23rd		
Teddy Bear Sleepover	Activities Building	5:30 p.m.
Sunday - 24th		
Youth Committee Mtg	Activities Building	12:00 p.m.
Com on Com Meeting	Library	2:00 p.m.
The Round Table	Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
Connecting Faith & Family	Fishers' Classroom	5:00 p.m.
Children's Choir	Education Building	5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir	Choir Room	5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter	Education Building	6:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday Night	Activities Building	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday - 26th		
College Bible Study	Activities Building	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 27th		
Deacon Nominating Com	Library	5:30 p.m.



CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH

Conversational English

Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Please pray for this ministry as it continues to grow, and please consider joining us as a teacher or assistant.

Teacher training will be Tuesday, August 29 from 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Karen Day (kdayphd@gmail.com).

Serving the Month of September

Greeters: Anne Adrian, Gina Cantrell, Dick Graves Sound & Light: David Sutton, Chad Parish, Gary Can-

Visitors: Julie & Michael McClanahan

Serving September 17, 2023

Extended Session: Ashley Aston, Jay Spiers, Betty

Tatum

Serving September 24, 2023

Extended Session: Laine Adams, Anna Coxwell, Leah Duzy

CHILDREN'S SABBATH MISSION

Children's Sabbath Mission Offering

Sunday, October 8

Our mission offering will support the Esperanza House. We will collect and donate pantry items, which can be used during snack time, as well as school supplies. Esperanza House strives to improve the quality of life for Hispanic children and families. They currently serve about ninety families, providing after school activities and tutoring for many children. In addition to donating snacks and school supplies, monetary donations can be made by placing Children's Sabbath Mission Offering on the memo line of the check.

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