

## WORSHIP

November 5

*All Saints' Day*  
1 John 3.1-3  
Revelation 7.9-17

November 12

*Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost*  
Amos 5.18-24  
Matthew 25.1-13

Lay Worship Leader for November:  
John Jones

## REMINDERS

### **Ordination Service**

Leigh Anne Chambliss Armstrong  
*Sunday, November 5, 2:30 p.m.,  
Sanctuary*

Reception in the Fellowship Hall  
following.

### **Blessed Are Those Who Mourn**

*Service for Grief and  
Hope Near the Holidays*  
*Thursday, November 9, 5:45 p.m.,  
Sanctuary*

**Advent Family Workshop**  
*Sunday, November 20, 6:15 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall*

We will gather for dinner and for families to create a craft for the Advent season!

*The Journey We Share: Grief and Thanksgiving*

*By: Tripp Martin*

Throughout the month of November, we will gather for tender and meaningful moments of remembrance, thanksgiving, and hope. On Sunday, November 5, we will celebrate All Saints' Day in worship, where we will remember and give thanks for the saints who have gone before us into the nearer presence of God. We will call out the names of the church members who have passed away in the previous twelve months, giving thanks for their place in the story of our church.

On Thursday, November 9, we will have a service for grief and hope in the Fellowship Hall, where in anticipation of the holidays, we will have a chance to honor the sadness that often times accompanies these days. These can be tender days of celebrating with loved ones, but also remembering the loss of loved ones. We will lean into the comfort and hope that we find in God's steadfast love as we garner strength in one another.

For our annual Thanksgiving Meal as a congregation, we will gather on Thursday, November 16, enjoying the celebration of Thanksgiving and the community we share! We are thankful for the family of faith and its place in our lives. We will give thanks around the table as we celebrate communion, expressing our thanksgiving to God!

All of these experiences, including our grief, gratitude, and hope, are connected to one another. They are born out of our love for one another and God's love for us. They are experiences we share, so we gather with the family of faith to recognize them.

We give thanks for the shared journey and for how we can walk alongside one another, remembering that God also walks alongside us! We will celebrate and grieve, give thanks and find hope, as we gather and worship together.

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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.

## Deacon Biographies

*Deacon Elections will be held at the Special Called Business Meeting, December 7th, 5:00 p.m.*

**David Sutton** and his wife, Charlotte, joined AFBC in 1987. They are the proud parents of Scott and Alison, and the extremely proud grandparents of Thomas, Andrew, Charlie Beth, and Alton. David is an Associate Professor Emeritus of Communication at Auburn University, where he taught from 1993 to 2018. He has previously served as a Deacon and serves on various other committees at AFBC.

**Pat Randle** and her husband, Frank, joined AFBC in 1981. She has previously served as a Deacon and has served on various committees of the church. She has served as Parish Nurse since 2002.

**Warren McCord** and his wife, Brenda, have been members of Auburn First Baptist since 1972. He has served as an active Deacon, a member of numerous church committees, and for over 35 years taught adult Sunday School. Brenda and Warren's two children were reared and nurtured in Auburn First Baptist. They have seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Warren retired from Auburn University in 2003 as Emeritus Professor and Assistant Director of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System.

**Michael Bumgardner** has been a member of Auburn First Baptist Church since the early 1980s. Michael and his wife of 54 years, Jeannie, have 3 grown children and 5 grandchildren. Michael and Jeannie are members of the Pilgrims Sunday School Class. Michael is a retired General Contractor and Army Veteran. He has served as a Deacon in the past and is currently serving on several church committees.

**Shane Dunn** and his husband, Brian Ledbetter, have been active members of AFBC since 2007. They were married in the church in 2017 and are proud parents of two children, Liam Ledbetter-Dunn (10) and Weslyn Ledbetter-Dunn (5). Shane attends the Sojourners

Sunday School Class and currently holds the position of Chairperson for the Aesthetics and Functionality Committee. In the past, he has served in various leadership roles, as a Deacon, President of the Sanctuary Choir, Vice Chair of the CDC Committee, Co-Chair of the Associate Pastor for Music Search Committee, and Interim Director for the Youth Choir. Throughout his years at AFBC, Shane has also enjoyed serving on the Preschool, Music, and Flower Committees, teaching preschool choir, and occasionally filling in to lead the music for worship. He is grateful for all the opportunities he has been given to serve AFBC and is eager to continue doing the work of the church.

**Anna Thompson** and her family have been members of Auburn First Baptist Church since 2020. She currently serves as Chair of the Children's Committee. Anna grew up in Auburn and attended Auburn University before moving to Charleston, SC; where she and Ryan met. Her parents and in-laws still reside in the Auburn area. Anna and Ryan's careers have taken them from South Carolina to Colorado before returning to Auburn to be closer to family. She currently works at Auburn University in the Athletics Department.

**Carole Zugazaga** has attended AFBC for 18 years and is a member of the Pilgrims Sunday School Class. She is a professor of social work at Auburn University and has served as Department Chair for Sociology, Anthropology & Social Work for the past 7 years. Prior to her academic career, she worked for 10 years as a medical social worker in Florida. She is a graduate of Florida State University and University of Central Florida (twice!). She also serves on the board of Alabama Arise and is the church's representative to the organization. She has previously served as a Deacon, and currently serves on the CDC Committee. She is the proud mother of two adult children, Amaia and Mikel who live in Auburn.

### THANKSGIVING

#### Annual Churchwide Thanksgiving Meal

*Thursday, November 16, 5:15 p.m.*

Fellowship Hall

Come and join us for our annual Thanksgiving meal! Be sure to email or call the church office to RSVP no later than *Thursday, November 9* to make your reservation. (*No charge for this meal.*)

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#### 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: \_\_\_\_\_

### 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.

### ADVENT

#### Advent Family Workshop

*Sunday, November 26, 6:15 p.m.*

Fellowship Hall

We will gather for dinner and for families to create a craft for the Advent season!

## YOUTH

**Youth Choir**      **Youth Sunday Nights**  
*Sundays, 5:00 p.m.*      *Sundays, 6:00 p.m.*  
 Choir Room      Youth Room

### Prayer Breakfast

*Thursday, November 9, 7:00 a.m.*  
 Panera Bread

### Dinner Out

*Wednesday, November 29, 6:00 p.m.*

### Passport

*Converse University, Spartanburg, SC*  
*June 30 - July 5, 2024*  
 Cost: \$500  
 Let Laura know if you'd like to register!

## CHILDREN

### Passport Kids Camp

*Rock Eagle 4-H Center*  
*Eatonton, GA*  
*July 14-17, 2024*

Students 3rd - 5th grades  
 \$50 deposit, \$375 total (includes deposit)

### 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*

## SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

### Round Table

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

“Acedia and the Spiritual Lives of Preachers”

Led by Dr. Kathy Reed, Co-Pastor, First Presbyterian Church  
*November 5 & 12*

“Having a Heart Filled with Gratitude”

Led by James Q. Smith, Hospice Chaplain  
*November 19*

### Connecting Faith and Family

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

We are reading *Raising Your Spirited Child* by Mary Sheedy Kurcinka. If you would like a book, please email Leah Duzy at [aduzyofalife@gmail.com](mailto:aduzyofalife@gmail.com). All are welcome!

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

### Every Sunday

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

### Every Thursday

Brown Bag Dinner 5:15 p.m.  
 Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday - 1st

Conversational English.....Activities Building 5:30 p.m.  
 Committee on Committee.....Library 5:30 p.m.

### Sunday - 5th

Children's Committee Mtg.....Fellowship Hall 12:00 p.m.  
 Ordination Service.....Sanctuary 2:30 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 - 7th

College Bible Study.....Activities Building 7:00 p.m.

### Wednesday - 8th

Conversational English.....Activities Building 5:30 p.m.  
 CDC Committee Meeting.....Library 5:45 p.m.

### Thursday - 9th

Youth Prayer Breakfast.....Panera 7:00 a.m.  
 Stewardship Committee Mtg.....Library 5:00 p.m.  
 Blessed Are Those.....Fellowship Hall 5:45 p.m.  
 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal.....Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

### Sunday - 12th

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 - 14th

Deacons' Meeting.....Fellowship Hall 6:30 p.m.  
 College Bible Study.....Activities Building 7:00 p.m.

### Wednesday - 15th

Conversational English.....Activities Building 5:30 p.m.

## FOOD DRIVE

Our church is a collection site for food donations for the annual Beat Bama Food Drive! This is one of the biggest drives of the year for the Food Bank of East Alabama. Please bring nonperishable items and place them in the barrel near the church office anytime between now and November 19.

## FELLOWSHIP

### PrimeTimers Gathering

*Tuesday, November 14, 11:00 a.m.*  
*Fellowship Hall*

Desserts will be provided; please bring your own brown bag meal. Following the meal we will gather in the sanctuary with Scarlett Sheils for a “behind the scenes” tour of the organ and a feature of some of her favorites.



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## MISSIONS

### Cookie Walk

Fundraiser for WeHelp Coalition  
True Deliverance Holiness Church

*December 2, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Gymnasium  
936 N. Donahue Drive*

## BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO MOURN

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Service for Grief and Hope Near the Holidays  
*Thursday, November 9, 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall*

As we anticipate the holidays, we remember the grief that can surround them. We gather to find comfort in the presence of God, and in the support of others, remembering the hope we find in the steadfast love of God.

### Serving the Month of November

**Greeters:** Mike Aston, Candy Enkeboll, Dee Williams  
**Sound & Light:** David Sutton, Chad Parish, Gary Cantini

**Visitors:** Carolyn Grimes

### Serving November 5, 2023

**Extended Session:** Ashley Randle, Lee McInnis, Charlotte Sutton

### Serving November 12, 2023

**Extended Session:** Ashley Aston, Leah Duzy and Betty Tatum

## D365

**d365** is a daily devotional site produced by Passport, Inc. Devotions are written for youth, adults, and families and delivered through the d365 website and app. Our Associate Pastor for Youth, College, and Young Adults, Laura Edgar, while maintaining her normal responsibilities at AFBC, will become Editor of d365 on December 1, 2023. Laura will be coordinating with d365 writers and contributors to deliver devotions focusing on themes that impact our faith journey. If you would like to download the app and share the experience, visit [d365.org](http://d365.org) or search “d365” in the App Store.

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