



Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

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WORSHIP

March 17

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalms 51:1-12

*Leigh Anne Chambliss Armstrong
preaching*

March 24

Palm Sunday

Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29

Mark 11:1-11

March 31

Easter

Mark 16:1-8

Acts 10:34-43

Lay Worship Leader for March:

Warren McCord

REMINDERS

GMO Sunday

GMO Sunday is over but your
opportunity to participate is not!

www.AuburnFBC.org/GMO24

Lenten Lunches

Wednesdays, 12:00 p.m.,

Fellowship Hall

Please RSVP by noon on Monday,

angela@auburnfbc.org.

Work Day for Committees and Congregation

Saturday, March 23, 8:00 a.m.

Courtyard

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 30, 10:00 a.m.

Town Creek Park Pavilion

Holy Week

By: Tripp Martin

The final week of the journey of Lent is Holy Week. It is the week that redefines all of our other weeks! It invites us to mindfully and prayerfully consider the meaning of what took place.

We begin Holy Week on Palm Sunday, waving palm branches in celebration of the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, but the winds of fear also rattle the leaves of the palm branches. When Jesus talked to the disciples about turning towards Jerusalem, it was with a note of caution.

We will witness that on Wednesday, Jesus was betrayed. He was not betrayed by an unknown enemy, but by someone he considered a friend. The final events of his life were set in motion by someone he knew well, even trusted.

With betrayal still lingering in the air, we will gather around the table of communion on Maundy Thursday. We will celebrate the meal called the Last Supper. It would be the last time the disciples gathered to eat with Jesus. It is also the meal, which helps us remember and understand the meaning of Jesus' life and death.

On Friday, we will pause together, so we can find the strength in gathering together to face the death of Jesus on the cross. We do not rush towards the joy of Easter morning because the joy is lost when we fail to see the agony of Good Friday. We remember that the Light of the World went out, so we might rejoice in the return of this light on Easter morning!

Finally, we will rejoice on Easter morning as we give thanks that the darkness cannot fully extinguish the light. We will proclaim the strength of the steadfast love of God over death! We will give thanks for the faithfulness of God and the undying love of Christ!

We look forward to walking through this week together. It is the only way we can plumb the depths of its meaning and experience all it has to teach us.

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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.

Easter Lilies

The lilies placed in our sanctuary and throughout the church for Easter are placed in memory or honor of those listed.

In Honor of:

Tripp Martin
Laura Edgars
Morris Driggers
Dawn Driggers
Scarlett Scheils
Dale Peterson

Given by:

Candy Enkeboll
Candy Enkeboll
Candy Enkeboll
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Candy Enkeboll

In Memory of:

Paul E. & Clois Shoffeitt
Inez & Walter Sowell
Charles Potter

Given by:

Jean, Paul, & Mary
Their Family
Mary Ann Potter, Cliff
and Charlann
Ellen Faurot

William (Bill) Faurot

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Round Table

*Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
Not Meeting March 31*

“Holy Trinity”

Led by Dr. Fisher Humphries
March 10, 17 & 24

Connecting Faith and Family

*Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Seekers Classroom
Not Meeting March 31*

FELLOWSHIP

Baptist Women in Ministry Month of Advocacy

We will participate in the Baptist Women in Ministry Month of Advocacy, inviting the Reverend Leigh Anne Chambliss Armstrong to preach on Sunday, March 17. Leigh Anne Chambliss Armstrong is a long-time member of Auburn First Baptist Church, who was ordained by the congregation in 2023 and who will graduate from the Baptist Seminary of Kentucky this semester. In recognition of Baptist Women in Ministry Month of Advocacy and in celebration of her graduation, we welcome her to preach!

LENT

Lenten Lunches

*Wednesdays, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
“Fool Me Once: Shame, Grace, and Jesus”*

Each Wednesday during Lent from February 14 to March 27 (*not meeting March 6*), we will gather for a Lenten Lunch. Lunch will be provided for \$5.00, or you can bring your own lunch.

We will reflect on the repentance of Lent, the burden of shame, and the work of grace.

If you would like the meal, please RSVP by noon on Monday to the church office, frontdesk@auburnfbc.org and angela@auburnfbc.org so we can plan accordingly.

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross commemorate the events on the day of Jesus’s crucifixion. Each station uses sacred art, prayers, and reflections to depict a moment on his journey to the cross. All are welcome to participate in a self-guided journey through the stations during Holy Week. The stations will be set up in the AFBC Sanctuary during the following times:

Tuesday, March 26: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Wednesday, March 27: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Thursday, March 28: 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm

We hope this will be a meaningful experience during Holy Week.

COLLEGE

Meals for Tuesday Night Bible Study

If you are interested in sponsoring a dinner or preparing a home-cooked meal for our College Tuesday Night Bible Study this spring, please email Laura at laura@auburnfbc.org or call her at 334-233-2267.

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

Youth Choir

Sundays, 5:00 p.m.

Choir Room

Not Meeting March 31

Youth Sunday Nights

Sundays, 6:00 p.m.

Youth Room

Not Meeting March 31

Youth Parent's Night

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

Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, March 21, 7:00 a.m., Panera

VBS

VBS Volunteers Needed!

"Operation Restoration"

Join us June 3-6 (Monday - Thursday evenings) as we learn about Bible stories and about missions. Whatever your gifts and talents are, they can be put to use! Whether you want to be hands-on with the children or behind the scenes, we have a place for you. Contact Katharine Martin (katharineymartin@gmail.com), Emily Wilkins (wallaby137@hotmail.com), or Gwynne Lovelady (gslovelady@bellsouth.net) if you would like to help!

MISSIONS

Work Day for Committees and Congregation

Saturday, March 23, 8:00 a.m., Courtyard

We will plant flowers, lay pine straw & mulch, and spruce up our grounds. Folks are welcome to bring work gloves and light gardening tools. We'll provide the plants & mulch, but if anyone has their own plant they'd like planted or has suggestions, just let the Grounds Committee know.

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

Thursdays, 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Resumes April 4

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.

Sunday - 17th

Children's Committee Mtg	Fellowship Hall	12:00 p.m.
Children's Choirs	Education Building	5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir	Choir Room	5:00 p.m.
The Round Table	Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
Connecting Faith & Family	Seekers Room	5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter	Education Building	6:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday Night	Activities Building	6:00 p.m.
Youth Parent's Night	Fellowship Hall	6:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 19th

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

Wednesday - 20th

Lenten Lunches	Fellowship Hall	12:00 p.m.
First Bells	Choir Room	12:30 p.m.
Conversational English	Activities Building	5:30 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	6:30 p.m.

Thursday - 21st

Prayer Breakfast	Panera	7:00 a.m.
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Saturday - 23rd

Grounds Work Day	Courtyard	8:00 a.m.
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Sunday - 24th

Brazil Interest Meeting	Fellowship Hall	12:00 p.m.
College Committee Meeting	Activities Building	12:00 p.m.
Children's Choirs	Education Building	5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir	Choir Room	5:00 p.m.
The Round Table	Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
Connecting Faith & Family	Seekers 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.
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Wednesday - 27th

Lenten Lunches	Fellowship Hall	12:00 p.m.
First Bells	Choir Room	12:30 p.m.
Conversational English	Activities Building	5:30 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	6:30 p.m.

Thursday - 28th

Maundy Thursday	Sanctuary	6:00 p.m.
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Friday - 29th

Good Friday	Sanctuary	7:00 p.m.
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Saturday - 30th

Easter Egg Hunt	Town Creek Park	10:00 a.m.
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Sunday - 31st

No Evening Activities

CHILDREN

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 30, 10:00 a.m.,

Town Creek Park Pavilion

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

Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Education Building

**We ask that all attendees be potty trained.*

Not Meeting March 31

Bible Encounter (1st - 5th graders)

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

Not Meeting March 31



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BRAZIL MISSION

Information Meeting

On Sunday, March 24, after the worship service, we are holding a short (target 30 minutes) meeting in the Fellowship Hall to discuss summer mission trip opportunities. We will talk about past and future Brazil trips, but also the idea of identifying options within the US and Alabama. No commitments are required at this time. The meeting is intended as an “information sharing” discussion to bring everyone up-to-date on Brazil as well as presenting new ideas. The goal is to select trips that allow broad participation within the congregation. If you have interests, ideas, or opinions that you would like us to consider, please plan to attend this meeting.

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday

March 24, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Maundy Thursday

Communion Service

March 28, 6:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Good Friday

Tenebrae Service

March 29, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Easter Sunday

March 31, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

No Evening Activities

Serving the Month of March

Greeters: Julia Morgan, Anne Adrian, Dee Williams

Sound & Light: David Sutton, Chad Parish, Gary Cantini

Visitors: Ray & Shirley Brown

Serving March 17, 2024

Extended Session: Kelly Meeks, Emily Wilkins, Mark Wilson

Serving March 24, 2024

Extended Session: Laine Adams, Anna Coxwell, Katharine Martin

Serving March 31, 2024

Extended Session: Zach Deal, Anna Thompson, Kathleen Sabo

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