

WORSHIP

June 16

Pentecost 4

1 Samuel 15.34-16.13

2 Corinthians 5.6-10, 14-17

June 23

Pentecost 5

1 Samuel 17.1a, 4-11, 19-23, 32-49

Psalms 9.9-20

June 30

Pentecost 6

Lamentations 3.22-33

Psalms 30

Lay Worship Leader for June:

Mike McClanahan

The Practice of Community

By: Tripp Martin

As we gather for worship, travel for a retreat, or serve the needs of others, we experience again how the practice of community prepares us for the love of neighbor. We are called to love our neighbor as we love God. But this calling is not just a list of tasks, it shapes who we are and how we relate to others. This is why the practice of community prepares us for engaging our neighbor.

We begin by practicing community, where we can learn the strength of patience, tenacity of hope, grit of grace, and commitment to service. These are not tasks for us to master, but practices, which master us. They shape and form who we are!

It is as Phillip Gulley writes, "It is because of our participation in the we that we learn to be an I." The practice of community shapes who we are as people, so we can better lean into our calling to love our neighbor with discernment and dedication.

REMINDERS

Youth Mission

Monday, June 17

East Alabama Food Bank

Meet at AFBC at 12:30 p.m.

Church Wide Meal Packaging Event

Sunday, July 21, 3:00 p.m.,

Fellowship Hall

All are welcome as we work together to help fight hunger!

PrimeTimers

Tuesday, June 25, 9:30 a.m.,

Fellowship Hall

Our interaction with others, and commitment to a common good, nourishes our souls and inspires our spirits. We experience this in different ways whether it is participating in team sports, playing in a band, joining a supper club, or singing in a show choir. We learn so much through our interactions with others.

For the church, our interactions revolve around our love for God, which shapes and forms our community in particular ways. This practice of community plunges us into the love of God in ways that foster a love of neighbor. It is why as we gather we are also sent out into the world to love others.

The "we" of the church, cultivates the "I" of our faith, which is never focused on our independence, but rather on our interdependence. We are who we are because of the practice of community, and it teaches us to love our neighbor as ourselves.

As we practice community, we do not have to try harder or to get better. We only have to recognize how important the community is to the love of neighbor. All we have to do is live in gratitude of it. As we are grateful for it, the church changes how we relate to others.

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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.

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Round Table & Connecting Faith and Family Will resume in August

FELLOWSHIP

PrimeTimers

*Tuesday, June 25, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.,
Fellowship Hall*

Please join us on Tuesday, June 25th, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m., for another fun and interesting PrimeTimers event!!

Dr. Harrell Day will entertain us with "Confessions of a Small Town Veterinarian". Pastries, coffee, and juice will be provided. Note the June program date change to the end of the month as we will not be meeting in July.

TOGETHER FOR HOPE

“On the Move, Together for Hope”

A Virtual Race, May 15 to August 15

This event supports Together for Hope (CBF), which empowers the vulnerable by transforming poverty in rural counties across the country. Participants log miles by walking, running, biking, dog-walking, or swimming, etc. Melissa Reeves is creating an Auburn FBC team. If you have any questions, please ask Melissa (mreeves34@gmail.com).

Registration: <https://runsignup.com/Race/KY/Anywhere/TogetherforHopeVirtualWalkRunRideSwim>

RISE AGAINST HUNGER

Church Wide Meal Packaging Event

Sunday, July 21, 3:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

All are welcome as we work together
to help fight hunger!

CBF General Assembly Registration

Greensboro, NC, June 19 - 21

Registration: www.cbf.net/assembly

THANK YOU

Thanks to the leadership of over 40 parent, youth, and adult volunteers, the children, grandchildren and guests of AFBC learned how to be part of mending God's world through FEEDING people, HEALING people, FORGIVING people and PRAYING for people and ourselves.

Over the course of the week, this army of volunteers served 300 snacks, packed up 152 items for bags for families in the NICU, decorated the Activities Building with 112 painted fish and flowers and more, used 78 googly eyes in crafts, learned 8 Bible stories, and ran untold miles a day in games.

We are grateful for the way the church came together for a week full of songs, laughter, learning and serving. Every pair of hands was part of the sacred work of forming the faith of our youngest members! In one week's time, the children not only learned the Word of God through the stories, songs, and crafts, but they saw the love of God in action through the missions they did AND saw the way the adults and youth were serving them.

Thank you to each person for living out your faith in full view of the children of the church. They saw your example and grew in their faith because of it!

Gratefully, Katharine Martin and Emily Wilkins, co-directors.

Volunteers:

Addison Aldred

Kyle Willan

Morris Driggers

Laura Edgar

Jason Summers

Elizabeth Summers

Gary Cantini

DJ Guice

Ethan Guice

Wesley Sabo

Luke Sabo

Kathleen Sabo

Zach Deal

Mike Aston

Henry Aston

Ashley Aston

Anna Thompson

Ryan Thompson

Halsey Thompson

Tripp Martin

JD Martin

Hunter Martin

Felicia McInnis

Lee McInnis

Katie Murrah

Jay Spiers

Ruthie Spiers

Julie McClanahan

Jackson Walker

Lynn Eden

Matthew Walker

Mark Wilson

Consuela Guide

Vicky van Santen

Laine Adams

Allison Crosby

Anna Coxwell

Caroline Purvis

DeWayne Purvis

Gwynne Lovelady

YOUTH

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

Youth Mission

Monday, June 17, East Alabama Food Bank
Meet at AFBC at 12:30 p.m.

We will volunteer then get ice cream together!

YOUTH SOS

June 23, 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
Hosted by the Martins

July 14, 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
Hosted by Kathleen Sabo

Additional Date: July 28

Passport Choices

June 30-July 5, Converse University
Spartanburg, South Carolina

COLLEGE

Bible Study & Breakfast

Sundays, 10:15 a.m.
College Room (Activities Building)

College Tuesday Night Bible Study

7:00 p.m., Activities Building
 Resumes in August

Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.

CHILDREN

Passport Kids Camp

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

Children's Choirs & Bible Encounter

Will resume in August

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

<i>Every Sunday</i>	<i>Every Thursday</i>
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.	Brown Bag Dinner 5:15 p.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.	Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Sunday - 16th

No Evening Activities

Monday - 17th

Youth Mission..... AFBC 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday - 18th

Deacons' Meeting..... Fellowship Hall 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday - 19th

Office Closed

Thursday - 20th

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal..... Choir Room 6:30 p.m.

Sunday - 23rd

Youth SOS..... Hosted by the Martins 6:00 p.m.

No Evening Activities

Tuesday - 25th

Primetimers Gathering..... Fellowship Hall 9:30 a.m.

Thursday - 27th

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal..... Choir Room 6:30 p.m.

No Evening Activities

Sunday - 30th

No Evening Activities

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

Thursdays, 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall
 Resumes in August

MUSIC

July Choir Invitation

As is true of the vast majority of churches, AFBC has musically gifted members who are not able to participate in the Sanctuary Choir on a regular basis. But during the summer months – especially July – schedules are often a little bit more flexible. So COME ONE, COME ALL to the 2024 edition of ... ***The JULY CHOIR.***

We will cover all of the anthems for July in our Thursday evening rehearsals: 6:30 p.m. on June 13, 20, and 27; and perfect attendance is not required for the rehearsals or for Sunday mornings ... just be here when you can (even if it's only one or two). We'd love to have you share in the fellowship! Please feel free to contact Morris with any questions.



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CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH

The Nominating Committee has been working throughout this spring filling leadership positions for Sunday School, Missions, and Music Ministry. The Nominating Committee continues to search for a Coordinator for the Conversational English Ministry for this fall. If you are interested or have questions about this position, please contact Kelly Meeks (kelly.meeks@ihg.com).

LIBRARY RENOVATION

One of the main projects for our current Life is Calling grant is renovating the Library, creating a meeting place where we can gather around the table to do the work of the church. The renovations have started! Committees can use the Fellowship Hall or other rooms for their meetings during this time. We look forward to the renovations being completed!

Serving the Month of June

Greeters: Anne Adrian, Dale Peterson & Kellie Wilson

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

Visitors: Julie & Mike McClanahan

Serving June 16, 2024

Extended Session: Lee McInnis, Anna Thompson & Elaine Ridgway

Serving June 23, 2024

Extended Session: Betty Tatum, Katharine Martin, Lee McInnis

Serving June 30, 2024

Extended Session: Ronda West, Mark Wilson, Laine Adams

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