



Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

September 1, 2024

WORSHIP

September 1

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
James 1.17-27
Mark 7.1-8, 14-15, 21-23

September 8

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
James 2.1-10, 14-17
Mark 7.24-37

September 15

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
1 John 4.19-21
Moore Lecture Series
Suzii Paynter March preaching

Lay Worship Leader for September
David Sutton

REMINDERS

Claude H. and Mary Virginia Moore Lecture Series

Sunday, September 15, 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hall
with Rev Suzii Paynter March

Please bring your favorite brunch
dish to share!
Brunch is at 9:15 a.m.

Deacon Nominations & Committee on Committees Requests

Deadline is September 15

Email angela@auburnfbc.org to
submit names and requests.

A Fiftieth Anniversary

By: Tripp Martin

For our Claude H. and Mary Virginia Moore Lecture this year, we will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Ordination of Leland Cooper! Leland Cooper was the first woman ordained as a Deacon at Auburn First Baptist Church. We are thankful for her and all of the women who have served as a Deacon, minister, or in leadership roles throughout the history of the church.

On Sunday, September 15, we will welcome the Reverend Suzii Paynter March as our speaker for the Moore Lecture. Suzii is the retired Executive Coordinator of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. She has also been a leader in Baptist life throughout her ministry. We will gather for a Potluck Brunch at 9:00 a.m. to hear her lecture, "Women: Finding God's Light in Leadership and Faith."

Later that evening, Wayne Flynt will speak at Round Table at 5:00 p.m., talking about the history of Auburn First Baptist and the Ordination of Leland Cooper. We will honor those who have gone before us by remembering the commitment and courage of this congregation to make such a faithful and important decision.

The following Sunday, September 22, we will gather at 5:00 p.m. to watch the documentary, "Midwives of a Movement." It is the story of the beginning of Baptist Women in Ministry, which our congregation has supported each year through our Mission Trust Fund. Cliff Vaughn, who is the producer of the documentary and whose sister is Ronda West, will join us for the viewing. We will also welcome Nikki Hardeman, Director of Advocating for Women, for BWIM. We will present our gift to Nikki for Baptist Women in Ministry in memory of Leland Cooper.

We give thanks for this celebration and this 50th Anniversary; and more importantly, all of the women and their ministry and leadership at Auburn First Baptist!

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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

*Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
Not Meeting September 1*

“The Gospel of Luke”

Tripp Martin, September 8

“The Ordination of Leland Cooper”

Wayne Flynt, September 15

Connecting Faith and Family

*Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Seekers Classroom
Not Meeting September 1*

We will be reading *Now What?: How to Move Forward
When We're Divided (About Basically Everything)* by
Sarah Stewart Holland and Beth Silvers.
All are welcome!

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

*Thursdays, 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall
“Learning with St. Benedict”
Led by Tripp Martin
Available on podcast.*

Tailgate with the Exceptional Foundation

*Thursday, September 12, 5:30 p.m.,
Exceptional Foundation*

We will not meet for Thursday evening activities at church because of this event. If you are interested in helping, please email Gina Austin at gbh4785@aol.com.

FELLOWSHIP

PrimeTimers Gathering

Tuesday, September 17, 10:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Please join us to hear a talk from Dr. Wayne Flynt as we enjoy coffee, breakfast pastries, and fellowship.

Conversational English

*Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
Activities Building*

If you are interested in helping, please contact Mimi Smith, walkford687@gmail.com.

Deacon Nominations

It's that time of year to begin the process for recommending deacons for the 2025 Deacon Board. Following are the eligibility requirements to become a deacon at AFBC: (1) a person must have been a member of AFBC for the most recent 36 months, (2) a person must be 21 years of age or older, (3) a person must not have served as an active service deacon in the past three years, (4) a person cannot serve concurrently with one's spouse, (5) a person must have regular attendance in worship, shown leadership in programs of the church and willingness to serve when called upon by deacon officers and staff members.

If for any reason you would rather your name not be considered, please call or notify the church office by e-mail at angela@auburnfbc.org by September 15.

Deacon Nominations can be made by completing a nomination form, found outside the church office and dropping it in the box by September 15. You can recommend up to seven names. *Names can be submitted by email to angela@auburnfbc.org.*

Committees are Important To the Life of our Congregation

The work of the various committees of Auburn First Baptist Church are vital to the ministries and mission of the church. Every member has the opportunity to serve on one or more of our committees. Please indicate your desire to serve on a committee by submitting your completed form in the offering plate or to the church office by September 15. *A copy of this form is available outside the church office. You can submit your request by email to angela@auburnfbc.org.*

Thank you for your willingness to serve.

☐ Aesthetics	☐ Building Maint.	☐ CDC
☐ Children	☐ College	☐ Counters
☐ Crisis	☐ Flowers	☐ Food Service
☐ Greeters	☐ Grounds	☐ Health
☐ Missions	☐ Lights & Sound	☐ Memorials
☐ Preschool	☐ Music	☐ Ordinance
☐ Stewardship	☐ Sr. Adults	☐ Social
☐ Van	☐ Trustees	☐ Ushers
☐ Visitation	☐ Youth	

☐ I will serve wherever you need me.

Name _____

E-mail _____

Phone _____

CHILDREN

Preschool Outdoor Movie Night

Friday, September 6, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Zach & Lyndsay Deal's House

1313 Hickory Lane

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

YOUTH

Youth Choir

Sundays, 5:00 p.m.

Choir Room

Youth Sunday Nights

Sundays, 6:00 p.m.

Youth Room

Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, September 5, 7:00 a.m.

Panera Bread

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

The fall semester at Auburn University is fast approaching, and that means college Tuesday night Bible Study will be starting soon! 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.

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 - 1st

No Evening Activities

Monday- 2nd

Office Closed

Tuesday - 3rd

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

Wednesday - 4th

First Bells..... Choir Room 12:30 p.m.

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

Thursday- 5th

Youth Prayer Breakfast..... Panera Bread 7:00 a.m.

Sanctuary Choir..... Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

Friday - 6th

Preschool Movie Night..... 1313 Hickory Lane 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 8th

Youth Committee Mtg Youth Room 12:00 p.m.

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 Nights..... Youth Room 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday- 10th

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

Wednesday - 11th

First Bells..... Choir Room 12:30 p.m.

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

CDC Committee Mtg Fellowship Hall 5:45 p.m.

Thursday - 12th

Stewardship Committee Mtg..... Seekers Room 5:00 p.m.

Except Foundation Tailgate Except Foundation 5:30 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir..... Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

Sunday - 15th

Moore Lecture Series Fellowship Hall 9:00 a.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 Nights..... Youth Room 6:00 p.m.



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MOORE LECTURE SERIES

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For our Lecture Series this year, we are celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Ordination of Leland Cooper. During the Sunday school hour, all youth, college and adult classes will be invited to join together to hear Rev. Suzii Paynter March teach in the Fellowship Hall. She will also be our guest preacher.

Rev. Suzii Paynter March is the retired Executive Coordinator of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship and a long-time leader in Baptist life.

Serving the Month of September

Greeters: Kellie Wilson, Julia Morgan, Anne Adrian

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

Visitors: Melissa & Kyle Willian

Serving September 1, 2024

Extended Session: Ashley Randle, Ryan Thompson & Elaine Ridgway

Serving September 8, 2024

Extended Session: Charlotte Sutton, Ashley Aston & Emily



Online Giving

GMO

Global Ministries Offering Update

March 2024 - March 2025

Goal: \$25,000

Pledged: \$11,180

Given toward pledge: \$10,011

Given unpledged: \$7,869

Total given: \$17,880

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