



# Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

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## WORSHIP

May 4  
*Third Sunday of Easter*  
Acts 9.1-20  
John 21.1-19

May 11  
*Fourth Sunday of Easter*  
Psalm 23  
John 10.22-30

Lay Worship Leader for May:  
DeWayne Purvis

## Marking Time: Ten-Year Anniversary

By: Tripp Martin

Throughout the life of the church, we mark time because it is meaningful. We mark time by gathering for worship on the Lord's Day. We mark time by observing the seasons of the Church Year. We mark time by celebrating Christmas Eve, Easter morning, and the Day of Pentecost.

We mark time because our lives are marked by time. Our lives are marked by meaningful experiences and hopeful celebrations. We recognize birthdays, and we give thanks on anniversaries because how we spend our time matters.

It matters because of the connections and relationships, experiences and prayers, hopes and commitments, which grow out of how we spend our time.

As a congregation, we celebrate the ten-year anniversary of Laura Edgar as our Associate Pastor for Youth, College, and Young Adults, which is May 15! We are thankful for Laura and Seth and their place in our congregation. We give thanks for Laura's ministry and leadership and what it has meant to our youth, college students, and young adults.

On Sunday, May 18, the Personnel Committee will recognize her in worship. Laura will also preach in worship, and we will gather in the Courtyard following the worship service to mark this time and to celebrate this anniversary! It is a milestone for which we are thankful.

Marking time is more than counting the days on our calendars. They are words of appreciation and gestures of gratitude. We will share this time of celebration with Laura and Seth. We are thankful for the good things, which have grown out of how they have spent their time with us! We will mark this time with gratitude.

## REMINDERS

### Senior Celebration

*Sunday, May 4, 6:00 p.m.,  
Fellowship Hall*

### Community Market Baby Shower

*Sunday, May 11, 12:00 p.m.  
AFBC Courtyard*

### Vacation Bible School

*"Road Trip"*

*June 2-5, 6:00-8:00 p.m.*

*Ages 3 through rising 5th grade .*

Registration from March 30 - May 25

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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*

*Resumes August 10*

### **Connecting Faith and Family**

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

*Resumes August 10*

## YOUTH

### **Youth Choir**

*Sundays, 5:00 p.m.*

*Choir Room*

*Resumes in August*

### **Youth Sunday Nights**

*Sundays, 6:00 p.m.*

*Youth Room*

*Resumes in August*

### **Youth Prayer Breakfast**

*Thursday, May 1, 7:00 a.m., Panera Bread*

### **Youth Senior Recognition**

*Sunday, May 4, 11:00 a.m., Worship*

### **Cookout at Chewacla**

*Sunday, May 18, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.*

## THURSDAYS

### **Thursday Evening Activities**

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

*Final Meeting, May 8*

**“Dietrich Bonhoeffer”**

**May 1 & 8**

**Led by Tripp Martin**

**Available on podcast on website.**

## COLLEGE

Please pray for students as they take finals, finish the semester, and travel home.

### **Finals Study Hours**

*May 4 - 8, 5:00 - 10:00 p.m.*

*Activities Building*

### **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.**

## FELLOWSHIP

### **Senior Celebration**

*Sunday, May 4, 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall*

The AFBC church family is invited to attend as we celebrate our high school seniors with desserts, slideshows, and blessings.

### ***PrimeTimers***

*Tuesday, May 20, 11:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall*

Primetimers will meet May 20 at 11:30 a.m. for a casserole lunch, followed by an informative tour of our beautiful stained glass windows in the sanctuary.

## CHILDREN

### Preschool and Children's Choirs (3\* year olds – 5th Grade)

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

\*We ask that all attendees be potty trained.

*Resumes August 10*

### Bible Encounter (1st – 5th graders)

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

*Resumes August 10*



### School's Out Backyard Party

*Saturday, May 17,  
10:00 a.m.*

*(2285 Watercrest Blvd.)*

Pool, food, & fun! Bring swimsuit, towel, & a snack to share!

### Inquirers' Class

*For the third through fifth grade Sunday School  
May 4 & 11*

These students will gather during Sunday School with Tripp to focus on various aspects of our faith, providing the children an opportunity to ask questions!

### Family Day of Service

*Saturday, June 7, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.*

*Community Market*

Families and their children (ages 4+) are invited to come for a day of service at the Community Market. We will restock shelves along with other tasks. We will meet at the Community Market at 9:00 a.m. (3810 Pepperell Pkwy, Opelika, AL 36801). Wear closed-toed shoes. If you are planning on coming, please email Tripp, so we can give them a head count. ([tmartin@auburnfbc.org](mailto:tmartin@auburnfbc.org))

## 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.

### Tuesday - 1st

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

### Sunday - 4th

Youth Senior Recognition ..... Sanctuary 11:00 a.m.

Senior Celebration ..... Fellowship Hall 6:00 p.m.

### Thursday - 8th

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

### Sunday - 11th

Community Mrkt Baby Shower..... Courtyard 12:00 p.m.

### Wednesday - 14th

CDC Committee Meeting ..... Library 5:45 p.m.

### Thursday - 15th

Stewardship Committee Meeting.... Library 5:00 p.m.

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

## VBS



**JOIN US FOR  
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!**

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## BABY SHOWER

### IT'S A BABY SHOWER!!

*Sunday, May 11, 12:00 p.m., AFBC Courtyard*

The Community Market always needs baby food and cereal, diapers, wipes, lotion, baby wash, baby oil and any other baby items. Financial gifts are also welcome. This event will be moved to the Coleman Fellowship Hall in the event of inclement weather. **This will be a gathering moment after worship.**

#### Serving the Month of May

**Greeters:** Dale Peterson, Belinda Wright, Mike Aston

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

**Visitors:** Julia Morgan

#### Serving May 4, 2025

**Extended Session:** Charlotte Sutton, Felicia McInnis, DeWayne Purvis

#### Serving May 11, 2025

**Extended Session:** Laine Adams, Mark Wilson, Ryan Thompson

## MISSIONS

Auburn UMC provides classroom tutors for Loachapoka Elementary School (LES). Kim Shaw, coordinator of this program, reached out to invite interested people at Auburn FBC to join this effort!

Those who are interested in tutoring would need to attend to one of two meetings hosted at AUMC in July or August. In the meeting, volunteers will watch the safe sanctuaries video, submit to a background check, and fill out the necessary paperwork. There will be a volunteer orientation with Mrs. Anderson, LES principal, at the beginning of the school year. Tutors work one hour per week, but may miss if they are sick, on vacation, or have a conflict. Most teachers are extremely flexible and just glad to have help whenever they can get it. If you are interested in joining this effort or want additional information, contact Kim Shaw at [cakeshaw@icloud.com](mailto:cakeshaw@icloud.com). She will send an email with all the information and forms they will need to sign up.

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