



Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

October 1, 2025

WORSHIP

October 5

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Luke 17:5-10

October 12

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Ephesians 4:1-16

Psalm 29

Lay Worship Leader for October:

Cathy Summers

Finding Our Voice

By: Tripp Martin

The theme for Children's Sabbath, and the children's choirs' literature for this year, is *Finding Your Voice ... To Be Like Jesus*. In choir, as children, we begin to learn to use our voice. We learn that we have a voice, and it is essential to the sound of the choir. We learn that our voice is not just functional; it is sacred, as we use it for worship. We can use our voice to praise God or to serve (or sing with) our neighbor.

As we sing, we learn to listen because we hope to sing on key. Singing is not just making a joyful noise; it is listening to the music of the song. It is listening to the other voices around us in the choir. It is crucial to listen to the voice of Jesus as we find our voice. It allows us to sing on key to the steadfast love of God, tuning our hearts to sing of God's grace.

We will gather on Sunday, October 12 to celebrate the voices of the children of the church. They will invite us to join them in the Call to Praise. They will lead us in prayer. They will share the words of scripture. They will sing and offer thanksgiving to God. They will stretch their voices. They will practice using them. We will support them and encourage them as they do!

If we are listening, we will also hear the love of God in their voices. They will say something important to us. They will whisper timeless wisdom. They will sing about the love of Jesus. We look forward to hearing from them!

After worship, we will gather for our annual Churchwide Picnic. This year, we will gather at the Martin Luther King Jr. Park (190 Byrd Street). We will celebrate the voices of this congregation, as we eat, laugh, and fellowship together!

We are thankful for all of the voices of the congregation, as we are a part of a congregational choir, using our voices to give thanks for God's grace both in worship as well as beyond the walls of the sanctuary.

REMINDERS

Pledge Sunday

October 5

As Pledge Sunday approaches, we reflect on our gifts to the church.

www.AuburnFBC.org/Give26

Children's Sabbath and Churchwide Picnic

October 12

We look forward to the children leading us in worship and to our picnic afterwards.

Quarterly Business Meeting & Potluck

October 23

The Agenda items will be the Quarterly Financial Report.

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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.

CHILDREN

Preschool Movie Night

*Saturday, October 25, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Zach & Lyndsay Deal's House
1313 Hickory Lane*

Children's Sabbath

*Sunday, October 12, Worship
"Finding Your Voice . . . To Be Like Jesus"*

We look forward to the children of the church leading us in worship!

Children's Sabbath Mission Offering

Sunday, October 12, Worship

The Auburn Sustenance Project, spearheaded by student leaders, tackles the pressing issue of food insecurity among Auburn City School students. With more than one-third of students reliant on the free and reduced-meal program, this initiative steps in during school breaks to provide vital meals and snacks that would otherwise be missed during school breaks, such as summer break, winter holidays and spring break.

Any individually packaged snacks and food items that are nonperishable are appreciated. Financial gifts can also be placed in the offering plate, writing Auburn Sustenance Project on the memo line.

Passport Kids Camp

*Rock Eagle
Eatonton, Georgia
July 12-15, 2026
Students 3rd-5th grades
Cost: \$425, Deposit: \$50*

Email financials@auburnfbc.org to sign up. Email tmartin@auburnfbc.org with questions.

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.

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

Tuesday, October 7, 7:00 a.m., Panera

Passport Missions

*Lees-McRae College
Banner Elk, North Carolina
June 7-11, 2026
Cost: \$525, Deposit: \$50*

Email financials@auburnfbc.org to sign up. Email carolinempurvis@gmail.com with questions.

Parents of Preschoolers, Children, and Youth

*Sunday, October 26, 5:00 p.m.,
2nd Floor of the Education Building*

Please join the members of the Search Committee for an Associate Pastor for Youth and Children for an opportunity to share your thoughts and insights as we begin this process.

COLLEGE

Bible Study & Breakfast

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

Tuesday Night Bible Study

7:00 p.m., Activities Building

If church members would like to sign up to provide a meal or contribute to its cost, please email college@auburnfbc.org or call the front desk.

FELLOWSHIP

PrimeTimers Gathering

Wednesday, October 22, 11:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Primetimers will meet on **Wednesday**, October 22 in the Fellowship Hall at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and crafts. On the agenda will be providing another opportunity to make a mosaic cross with the salvaged pieces of mosaic from Huntsville First Baptist Church, as well as adding to the beautiful Crismon ornaments for our trees this Advent season.

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

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

“Seven Events that Shaped the New Testament World”

Not meeting October 30

Led by Tripp Martin

Available on podcast.

Quarterly Business Meeting & Potluck

Thursday, October 23, 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Please bring a dish to share (meat, side, or dessert) for this potluck meal. The drinks and paper products will be provided.

The Agenda items will be the *Quarterly Financial Report*.

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Churchwide Picnic

Sunday, October 12

MLK Park (190 Byrd Street)

After Children's Sabbath, we will gather at Martin Luther King Park for our annual churchwide picnic. The church will provide chicken and drinks. Everyone is invited to bring a side or dessert to share. Don't forget a tailgate chair or blanket! In case of rain, join us in the Activities Building.

Everyone is invited to bring a change of clothes for a kickball game, where adults, youth, and children can play!

Round Table

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

Not Meeting October 12

“Hebrews : A Story of Three Joshuas”

Led by Dr. Bryan Whitfield,

Professor of Religion, Mercer University

October 5

“Growing in Grace”

Dr. Charles Poole

Retired Pastor, Northminster Baptist Church

October 19 & 26

Connecting Faith and Family

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

Not Meeting October 12

All are welcome! Contact Leah Duzy at

lmduzy@gmail.com.

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 Bldg 10:00 a.m.

First Bells Choir Room 12:30 p.m.

Thursday - 2nd

Sanctuary Choir Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

Sunday - 5th

Children's Choirs..... Education Bldg 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 Bldg 6:00 p.m.

Youth Sunday Night Activities Bldg 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 7th

Youth Prayer Breakfast Panera 7:00 a.m.

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

Wednesday - 8th

Conversational English..... Activities Bldg 10:00 a.m.

First Bells Choir Room 12:30 p.m.

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

Thursday - 9th

Sanctuary Choir Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

Stewardship Committee Mtg Fellowship Hall 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 12th

Churchwide Picnic..... MLK Park 12:00 p.m.

No Evening Activities

Tuesday - 14th

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

Wednesday - 15th

Conversational English..... Activities Bldg 10:00 a.m.

First Bells Choir Room 12:30 p.m.

PLEDGE SUNDAY

Pledge Sunday

Sunday, October 5, Worship

Pledge Sunday is a time for our congregation to prepare for the ministries and mission of 2026. The church will provide copies of the Preliminary Budget around the church towards the end of September. An Estimate of Giving Card will be emailed to the congregation on Monday, September 29, and a hard copy will be available in the pews of the sanctuary the prior Sunday.

We are invited to consider our giving to the church for 2026, and we are grateful for the ongoing commitment of this congregation as we minister together!

The link for this is www.AuburnFBC.org/Give26.



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TOGETHER WE BUILD

Building Ramps

Marion, Alabama

October 23-25

Together We Build (AFBC), in partnership with Trinity Baptist in Madison, Alabama, will build accessible ramps in Marion, Alabama on October 23-25. Anyone interested in participating in this wonderful mission opportunity, please contact Mike Bumgardner either by email at auburnnow@yahoo.com or cell phone 334-329-8025.

JAIL MINISTRY

Update and Interest Meeting

Sunday, October 19, 12:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Please join us for an update/interest meeting regarding AFBC Jail Ministry on October 19. We endeavor to join with First Methodist Church of Opelika's ministry to men and women at the Lee County Detention Center. This is a wonderful opportunity to bring hope, companionship, and the love of God to others.

A scheduling meeting will be held in January with FMCO to assign rotation schedules.

Please contact Laine Adams with any questions at laine.b.adams@gmail.com.

Serving the Month of October

Greeters: Drew Smith, Jo Jones, Dale Peterson

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

Visitors: Julie and Mark McClanahan

Serving October 5, 2025

Extended Session: Elaine Ridgeway, Anna Thompson, Leah Duzy

Serving October 12, 2025

Extended Session: Lynn Eden, Katharine Martin, Caroline Purvis

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