



Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

January 15, 2026

WORSHIP

January 18
Second Sunday of Epiphany
Isaiah 49.1-7
Psalm 40.1-11

January 25
Third Sunday of Epiphany
1 Corinthians 1.10-18
Matthew 4.12-23

Lay Worship Leader for January:
Patrick White

REMINDERS

Quarterly Business Meeting & Potluck

Thursday, January 29
Fellowship Hall
Dinner at 5:15 p.m.

Business Meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Agenda Items: 2025 Financials,
2026-2027 GMO Budget, 2026
Nominating Committee Members

Connecting Faith and Family

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

Round Table

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

Global Ministries Offering

By: Tripp Martin

At our upcoming Business Meeting & Potluck on January 29, we will vote on the Global Ministries Offering budget for 2026-2027. We find missions in all aspects of our congregation through Sunday School classes, youth group, and the children's ministry, but the GMO is our annual offering for missions above-and-beyond our general budget for the year.

The GMO is from February to February, so we will continue to contribute to the GMO for 2025-2026 between now and February 1. On February 8, we will begin giving to the GMO for 2026-2027.

The proposed budget for 2026-2027 includes global, regional, and local ministries supporting the vulnerable and sharing the good news of the love of God. We share this good news in a variety of ways! We support CBF field personnel around the world as well as the Baptist World Alliance, a global institution doing essential work. We will also support Eddie Aldape and his ministry in Spain as his Encourager Church.

As we give to the GMO, we will provide for CBF's Disaster Relief, so they can respond when needed. We will also support students in seminary because their future leadership is valued by the church. We also give to the Baptist Joint Committee, which works for religious liberty for everyone. Part of the proposed budget is also for Together for Hope, a rural poverty initiative helping others all over the country.

Our local ministries in the proposed GMO provide for Sowing Seeds of Hope in Perry County, Alabama as well as the Community Market in Auburn/Opelika. We also support first generation college students in Alabama, the Esperanza House in Auburn, and Alabama Rural Ministry, making home repairs for those who cannot afford them. The proposed budget also includes Building Together, where our church builds accessible ramps for others.

The Global Ministries Offering is an opportunity to join together to serve the needs of others! We will vote on the proposed budget on January 29 and celebrate GMO Sunday on February 8.

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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.

YOUTH

Youth Choir

Sundays, 5:00 p.m.
Choir Room

Youth Sunday Nights

Sundays, 6:00 p.m.
Youth Room

Youth Prayer Breakfast

Tuesday, January 20, 7:00 a.m., Panera

Winter Youth Summit

Huntsville, Al
January 16-18, 2026

Super Bowl Party

Duzy's House - 1240 Hickory Lane
February 8, 2026
5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

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.

FELLOWSHIP

PrimeTimers

Tuesday, January 20, 1:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall

We'd love to have you join us. We will gather that afternoon in the Fellowship Hall to hear our special guest speaker, Dr. Don Street, sharing stories from his book and other life adventures. We will also enjoy ice cream sundaes and cookies as we may play a few games!

All are welcome and bring a friend if you can-- Tuesday, January 20th, at 1:30 pm.

A Cup of Joy for CWJC

Sunday, January 24, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.,
Trinity Church in Opelika

An uplifting morning with mother/daughter duo - Joy Bazemore and Hillary White. A \$25 donation benefits the Christian Women's Job Corps of Lee County. Come early to shop vendors! Tickets available at www.cwjclc.com.

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Round Table

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

"5 Books for the Year"

January 11, Tripp Martin

"Sacred Wonder: Awakened by the Awe of God"

January 25; February 1, 8, & 15

Tripp Martin

Connecting Faith and Family

Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Seekers Classroom
We will discuss friendship, faith, and how we guide our families to develop and maintain long-term relationships. We are reading *The Correspondent* by Virginia Evans. Everyone is welcome! Email Leah Duzy if you have any questions.

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

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

"Faithful Footsteps: A Baptist Legacy"

Led by Tripp Martin

Quarterly Business Meeting & Potluck

Thursday, January 29, 5:45 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 following items will be on the agenda:

2025 Financials, 2026-2027 GMO Budget, 2026

Nominating Committee Members

MARGARET & DAVID PERRY FOUNDATION

We continue to be grateful for the Margaret & David Perry Foundation! In the past, they have awarded the church grants for building our accessibility ramp in the Courtyard and the accessible bathrooms in the Activities Building.

This year the foundation has awarded the church \$20,000 to renovate and enhance our Children's Ministry areas. Sue Walker, as our Sunday School Director, and others, have been working to create plans for this area after the closing of the CDC. We appreciate Sue Walker submitting this grant for this opportunity! She will work with the Preschool and Children's Committee on this project. We are grateful for the foundation's generosity and for Betsy Jordan and her family for connecting us with this foundation's work.

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.

Bible Encounter (1st – 5th graders)

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

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.

COLLEGE

Bible Study & Breakfast

Sundays, 10:15 a.m.

College Room (Activities Building)

Tuesday Night Bible Study

7:00 p.m., Activities Building

College Ice Skating

Monday, January 19, Columbus Civic Center

Meet at Activities Building at 10 a.m.

Cost: \$5.00

Lunch will be provided

Sign-up at college@auburnfbc.org

Meals for Tuesday Night Bible Study

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 spring, please email college@auburnfbc.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Every Sunday

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Brown Bag Dinner 5:15 p.m.
Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Every Thursday

Thursday - 15th

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

Sunday - 18th

No Evening Activities

Monday - 19th

College Ice Skating..... Activities Bldg 10:00 a.m.

Church Office Closed

Tuesday - 20th

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

PrimeTimers Fellowship Hall 1:30 p.m.

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

Wednesday - 21st

Conversational English Activities Bldg 10:00 a.m.

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

Thursday - 22nd

Stewardship Meeting Library 5:00 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

Sunday - 25th

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 - 27th

Deacon's Meeting..... Library 5:30 p.m.

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

Wednesday - 28th

Conversational English Activities Bldg 10:00 a.m.

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

Thursday - 29th

Business Meeting & Potluck Fellowship Hall 5:45 p.m.

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

Together We Build

January 23 -24, Ramp Build, Begins 8:00 a.m.

Project is in Loachapoka, about a 15 minute drive from our church. Anyone interested in participating in this project, please contact Mike Bumgardner at auburnnow@yahoo.com or 334-329-8025 for information and directions.



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MISSIONS

Missions in 2025

We are grateful for the commitment of the church to missions. In 2025, the church gave generously and worked faithfully to care for the needs of others. We supported missions locally, regionally, and globally.

The numbers do not completely tell the story of the impact of these efforts and service. We pause at the beginning of the year to reflect on these gifts from 2025 and their impact, giving thanks for our opportunity to serve others! We could never name everything that took place through the missions of the church, but we are thankful for this work as well as everything that took place behind-the-scenes.

CBF Missions	\$38,165.87
Global Ministries Offering, March 2025	\$23,920.00
Community Market, Baby Shower	\$1,022.08
VBS, Offering for Eddie Aldape	\$306.09
Children's Sabbath Mission Offering	\$150.00
Building Together, Accessible Ramps	\$500.00
Benevolence Offering in 2025	\$16,510.00
Missions in General Fund	\$2,000.40
Youth Missions, Parking Lot Fund	\$14,100.00
Encourager Church	\$5,000.00
Community Market Capital Campaign	\$10,000.00
Total	\$111,674.44

Serving the Month of January

Greeters: Zach Deal, Anne Adrian, Kellie Wilson

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

Visitors: Ray and Shirley Brown

Serving January 18, 2026

Extended Session: elaine ridgway, Mark Wilson

Serving January 25, 2026

Extended Session: Lynn Eden

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