



Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

March 1, 2026

WORSHIP

March 1
Second Sunday of Lent
Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalm 121

March 8
Third Sunday of Lent
John 4:5-26
John 4:27-42

Lay Worship Leader for March:
Anne Adrian

Bees in the Winter

By: Tripp Martin

Along the journey of Lent, the practices of our faith call us back to the importance of resolve and hope. We cling to the practice of faith in the face of challenges because our faith speaks of resolve and hope. As Cecil Sherman said, "Faith is more like sandpaper than dynamite." It works slowly and over time!

We stand at the corner of resolve and hope because life is challenging. It is challenging on our personal journey as we navigate our individual turns and stops, but also along the larger journey, which includes the ills and pains of society. As we try to respond to these challenges and to seek a better solution, we need the gifts of resolve and hope.

As we face these challenges, we might feel discouraged. Tim Brodhead has worked with a non-profit, which works on development projects in sub-Saharan Africa. He says, "Success means something is wrong. It means that we are either choosing very simple issues, or we're deluding ourselves about our results." We do not have to seek these challenges. They find us! We need resolve and hope to face them.

One place we find resolve and hope is in the community of faith. It is like bees in the winter. Individual bees are ectothermic, maintaining their body temperature based on outside sources of heat. It means the cold of winter is a threat. Collectively, though, bees are endothermic, maintaining their body temperature from within.

Within the hive, they gather together, moving their wing muscles and buzzing together, creating heat for their safety. We find resolve and hope together! We find it in gathered worship and singing hymns. We are sustained by eating together and praying for one another. We foster resolve and hope through the connections we create and the community we maintain.

Along the road of Lent, we can renew our resolve and hope as we travel together!

REMINDERS

Global Ministries 2026 - 2027

Offering Update

Goal: \$25,500
Total Given: \$10,970

Lenten Lunches

*Wednesdays, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.,
Fellowship Hall
RSVP by each Monday
(Not meeting March 11)*

Thursday Evening Activities

(Not meeting during Lent)

Daylight Saving Time

Sunday, March 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, March 3, 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.

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Connecting Faith and Family

*Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Seekers Classroom
Not Meeting March 8*

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.

Round Table

*Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
Not Meeting March 8*

“The Wesley Way: How Personal Holiness and Social Justice Still Transform the World”

March 1

*Dr. Cory Smith
Pastor, AUMC*

“Really Jesus?”

*Jeff Damron
March 15 & 22*

COLLEGE

Bible Study & Breakfast

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

Tuesday Night Bible Study

7:00 p.m., Activities Building

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

LENT

Lenten Lunches

*Wednesdays, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
Beginning on February 18*

*“A Novel Faith: How Writing Helps Us Form
the Story of Our Faith”*

Each Wednesday during Lent from February 18 to April 1 (not meeting March 11, Spring Break), we will gather for a Lenten Lunch. Lunch will be provided for \$5.00, or you can bring your own lunch. We will reflect on the life of Jesus and story of our faith. If you would like the meal, please RSVP by noon on each Monday to the church office, frontdesk@auburnfbc.org, so we can plan accordingly.

FELLOWSHIP

PrimeTimers

*Tuesday, March 17, 8:00 a.m - 5:00 p.m.
Talladega College Mural Museum*

We will be taking an all day trip to tour the Talladega College Mural Museum and we would love for you to join us. We will be leaving the church at 8:00 a.m. and return before dark. Email frontdesk@auburnfbc.org to RSVP.

CHILDREN

Easter Egg Hunt

*Saturday, March 21., 10:00 a.m., MLK Park
(190 Byrd Street, 36832)*

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

THURSDAYS

Thursday Evening Activities

*Thursdays, 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall
(Not meeting during Lent)*

SUMMER MISSION TRIP

Seed Camp

*Perry County, Alabama
June 28-July 2*

We will be working with Alabama CBF and other congregations for Seed Camp! Mark Wilson is coordinating this trip. Further details will be available soon. Mark your calendars!

AFBC INSTAGRAM

We have launched an Instagram page for Auburn FBC. Follow along for updates!

Follow us here: [@auburnfirstbaptist](https://www.instagram.com/auburnfirstbaptist)

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

Youth Committee Meeting.....	Library	12:00 p.m.
Preschool & Children Comm ..	Fellowship Hall	12:00 p.m.
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 - 3rd

Youth Prayer Breakfast Panera 7:00 a.m.

Wednesday - 4th

Conversational English	Activities Bldg	10:00 a.m.
Lenten Lunch	Fellowship Hall	12:00 p.m.
First Bells	Choir Room	12:45 p.m.

Thursday - 5th

Sanctuary Choir..... Choir Room 6:45 p.m.
No Evening Bible Study

Sunday - 8th

Missions Committee..... Library 12:15 p.m.
No Evening Activities

Wednesday - 11th

Conversational English	Activities Bldg	10:00 a.m.
First Bells	Choir Room	12:30 p.m.

Thursday - 12th

Sanctuary Choir..... Choir Room 6:45 p.m.
No Evening Bible Study

Sunday - 15th

College Committee Activities Bldg 12:00 p.m.

BWIM

Baptist Women in Ministry

We will participate in the Baptist Women in Ministry Month of Advocacy, inviting Melissa Marie Perry to preach on Sunday, March 15. Melissa is a student at the McAfee School of Theology in Atlanta, Georgia and also serves as Associate Pastor of Celebration Church in Hoschton, Georgia. Auburn FBC has a long history of recognizing the calling of women to leadership and ministry, ordaining its first woman, Leland Cooper, as a deacon in 1974.



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MISSIONS

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GMO Sunday is over but your opportunity to participate is not! If you did not already pledge or give to the GMO, please prayerfully consider making a monthly pledge or a one time gift. The GMO gifts help in so many ways: locally, state-wide, nationally and internationally.

*Gifts can be made by check or online,
www.AuburnFBC.org/GMO26.*

EASTER LILIES

Easter Lily Order Form

Given by: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

If you would like to place Easter Lilies in the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, your order, accompanied by a check payable to Auburn First Baptist Church that must be in the church office by March 15. The cost is \$10 per plant.

Serving the Month of March

Greeters: Dale Peterson, Terry Woodall, Kellie Wilson

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

Visitors: John & Jo Jones

Serving March 1, 2026

Extended Session: Betty Tatum, Ashley Aston

Serving March 8, 2026

Extended Session: Mark Wilson, Lynn Eden

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