Auburn First Baptist Church

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WORSHIP

August 2
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Genesis 32:22-31
Psalm 17:1-7, 15

August 9
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Matthew 14:22-33
Romans 10:5-15
Promotion Sunday

Lay Worship Leader for August:
Kathleen Sabo

REMINDERS

Quarterly Business Meeting & Potluck
Thursday, August 6, 5:30 p.m., Activities Building

PrimeTimers
Tuesday, August 18, 2:00 p.m., Activities Building

Sunday Evening Activities Resume
August 9

Promotion Sunday
Sunday, August 9

Pancake Breakfast
9:00 a.m., Activities Building

Bibles & Backpacks
11:00 a.m., Worship

Living Our Stories

By: Tripp Martin

One benefit of living in a university town, where the academic calendar influences all of our other calendars, is the opportunity to start over throughout the year. Whereas, we all begin again in January, in a university town, we begin again each semester. It is a rhythm, which gives us a chance to reflect on our lives, create goals, and to live intentionally whether we are starting new classes or not.

As we begin again this fall, we can reflect on the stories of our lives. Each of our lives tell a story about our values, purpose, and goals. Peter Hughes, Vicar of King's Cross Church in London, reminds us, "The story you live in is the story you live out." We all write the story of our lives based on the main stories we hold close.

If we live into the story of Jesus then we will live out of that story as well. We will live out the story of God's love! The story of Jesus can shape the story of our lives, which is also the story of the church. We find assistance and support from the church for living into the story of Jesus, so the story of Jesus can fully shape the story we live out.

The church enlarges our story because it widens our understanding of God's love, grace, and calling. It makes room for others, and it helps us consider the perspective of others. It enlarges our story through fellowship, Bible study, service, celebration, mission, worship, prayer, community, and friendship. These are the ways in which the story of Jesus shapes the story of our lives!

As we begin again, we can begin to notice this happening. We can participate intentionally in these practices and gatherings through the life of the church, finding support and assistance as we hold the story of God's love close. Our stories are enriched in untold ways as we make room for the story of the church!

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

Promotion Sunday
Sunday, August 9

Pancake Breakfast
9:00 a.m., Activities Building

Bibles & Backpacks
11:00 a.m., Worship
Bring your backpacks to worship!

Round Table
Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
"Four Voices of Wisdom"
August 9, 16, 23, & 30
Led by Tripp Martin

Connecting Faith and Family
Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Seekers' Classroom
Resumes August 9

For the fall semester, we will be studying the Book of John, with an emphasis on how the Scripture informs the connection between faith and family. We are using the ESV Illuminated Scripture Journal for the Book of John. We will supplement with complementary material as we read through the scripture as we explore the Book of John. Email Leah Duzy (lmduzy@gmail.com) if you have any questions. All are welcome!

LIFE IS CALLING

On Sunday, August 16, we will include a painting in worship by a local artist, Laura Lewis. The Life is Calling Committee commissioned this painting for the Library as part of our grant. It focuses on the theme, *A Place at the Table*. After worship on August 16, it will be placed in the Library.

AFBC INSTAGRAM

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

Follow us here: @auburnfirstbaptist

YOUTH

Youth Choir
Sundays, 5:00 p.m.
Choir Room
Resumes August 9

Youth Sunday Nights
Sundays, 6:00 p.m.
Youth Room
Resumes August 9

Welcome 6th Graders Event
Sunday, August 2, 5:30 p.m., Grove Hill Field

Lake Day & Parent Dinner
Saturday, August 8, 9:00 a.m., Gay St. Lot
Dinner at 6:00 p.m. in Activities Building.

Prayer Breakfast
1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 a.m., Panera
Beginning August 18

THURSDAYS

Business Meeting & Potluck
Thursday, August 6, 5:30 p.m.,
Activities Building

Our next Quarterly Business Meeting will be Thursday, August 6th. The Agenda items will be the *Quarterly Financial Report and Nominating Committee Report, Trust Fund Report, and Capital Campaign for Organ Renovation.*

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

Passport Reflections
Thursday, August 13, 5:30 p.m.,
Activities Building

The children and youth will share about their wonderful experiences this summer!

Mission Trip Reflections
Seed Camp
Thursday, August 20, 5:30 p.m.,
Fellowship Hall

Thursday Evening Bible Study
Thursdays, 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall
Resumes August 27
"Fruits of the Spirit"
Led by Tripp Martin

CHILDREN

Back to School Pool Party
Saturday, August 1, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Camden Ridge Pool
Pizza, snacks, and drinks will be provided.

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 9

Bible Encounter (1st – 5th graders)
Sundays, 6:00 p.m., Education Building
Resumes August 9

Teddy Bear Sleepover
Saturday, August 29, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.,
Fellowship Hall
Pizza will be served. Bring your favorite stuffed animals!

COLLEGE

Welcome Back Lunches
Sunday, August 16 & 23, 12:00 p.m.,
Activities Building

College Lake Day
Saturday, August 29, 9:00 a.m., Gay St. Lot
Join us for a day of tubing, skiing, fishing, swimming, and relaxing. Bring you towels, swimsuit, and sunscreen. Chick-Fil-A lunch will be provided. We will leave from church parking lot on Gay Street. We will return by 6:00 p.m. Email college@auburnfbc.org to sign up.

Bible Study
Sundays, 10:00 a.m.
College Room (Activities Building)

Tuesday Night Bible Study
7:00 p.m., Activities Building
Resumes August 18
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.

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.

Saturday - 1st

Children's Pool Party	Camden Ridge	10:00 a.m.

Sunday - 2nd

College Committee Meeting	College Room	12:00 p.m.
Youth Committee Meeting	Activities Building	12:00 p.m.
Welcome 6th Graders Event	Grove Hill Field	5:30 p.m.

No Evening Activities

Thursday - 6th

Business Mtg & Potluck	Activities Building	5:30 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir	Choir Room	6:45 p.m.

Saturday - 8th

Youth Lake Day	Gay St. Lot	9:00 a.m.
Parent Dinner	Activities Building	6:00 p.m.

Sunday - 9th

Pancake Breakfast	Activities Building	9:00 a.m.
Bibles & Backpacks	Worship	11:00 a.m.
The Round Table	Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
Connecting Faith & Family	Seekers' Room	5:00 p.m.
Children's Choir	Education Building	5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir	Choir Room	5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter	Education Building	6:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday Nights	Youth Room	6:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 11th

Mission Committee Meeting	Library	5:30 p.m.

Thursday - 13th

Stewardship Meeting	Library	5:00 p.m.
Passport Reflections	Activities Building	5:30 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir	Choir Room	6:45 p.m.

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FELLOWSHIP

PrimeTimers

Tuesday, August 18, 2:00 p.m., Activities Building

Please join us on August 18 at 2:00 p.m. for an ice cream social as we say goodbye to another wonderful summer! We will also play a few games of Bingo with some prizes given to the winners! Bring a friend if you can, relax, and enjoy the fellowship!

CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH

Conversational English

Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Conversational English classes will resume on Wednesday, August 26, from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. We will follow that meeting schedule for most of the fall semester.

Please pray for this ministry as it continues to grow, and please consider joining us as a teacher or assistant.

If you are interested or have any questions, please contact David Sutton at suttoda1954@gmail.com.

Serving the Month of August

Greeters: Jo Jones, Zach Deal, Drew Smith

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

Visitors: Shirley & Ray Brown

Serving August 2, 2026

Extended Session: Ryan Thompson, DeWayne Purvis, Laine Adams

Serving August 9, 2026

Extended Session: Jay Spiers, Anna Thompson, elaine ridgeway

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