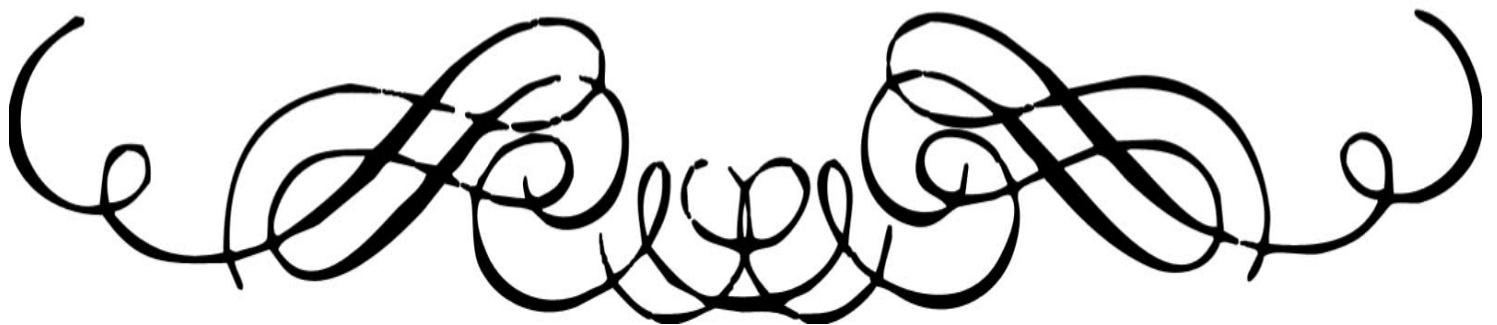


Claude H. Moore Lecture Series

Sunday, February 8th
with Dr. Bill Leonard

Lecture: The Gospel and the “Nones”: Retelling the Jesus Story

During the Sunday school hour, all youth, college and adult classes will be invited to join together to hear Dr. Leonard teach in the fellowship hall. Bill will also join us during the worship service as the guest preacher.



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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.

REFLECTIONS by *Tripp Martin*

About this time every year, as we approach the holiday for Martin Luther King, Jr., I revisit some of the words, spoken and written, by that prominent Baptist preacher. He was a voice during a significant time in history, allowing the gospel to become tangible actions of mercy and justice. The words are rooted in a historical moment, but they are also grounded in the gospel, which continues to speak for all times.

One of those sentences spoken by King, which is rooted in the historical moment as well as grounded in the gospel, was, "We must all learn to live together as brothers- or we will all perish together as fools." This sentence is compiled of words taken from a high altitude because they take our feet off of the ground and allow us to look down on life with a grand perspective. We are able to see more than we normally see, reminded of what is most important, rising above smaller worries and minor concerns.

Even though these words take our feet off the ground, they still ground us in everyday life. They connect us to what binds us together as a community of brothers and sisters, which is why they are also grounded in the gospel. In the church, we come together in order to practice the meaning of these words, extending a hand to one another, listening with empathy to each other, and sharing the journey of faith.

As the church, we practice the importance of these words, so that we can then take them with us into the community that surrounds us, where there are many challenges to making them a reality. As we practice community as a congregation, we learn that true community, built on kindness and patience, empathy and wisdom, is created, not given.

Practicing community is part of everything we do as a church. It is why we gather together to study scripture, listening for what it means to be a community; but also practicing it as well, as we ask questions together, offer insights, and gain more than we give because we study together. It is why we gather our hearts in prayer, joining our concerns for each another with God's concerns for all people. It is why we depend on one another as well as support one another in many different tangible ways, allowing grace to be seen and experienced.

When we look down on the church from above, we see people coming together, bound by the grace of God, practicing community, so that when we leave this place, we can better contribute to living together as brothers and sisters, not perishing as fools.

Tripp

Mark Your Calendar

Stewardship Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 15th, 5:00 p.m., Library

Senior Adult Luncheon

Tuesday, January 20th, 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall

DayFriends

Tuesday, January 20th, 11:45 a.m., Acapulco's

Deacons' Meeting

Tuesday, January 20th, 6:30 p.m., Seekers' Classroom

Business Meeting

Thursday, January 22nd, 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Senior Adult Dinner Out

Wednesday, January 28th, 5:00 p.m., Good Ol' Boys

Reminders:

**No Sunday Evening Activities
on January 18th**

Claude H. Moore Lecture Series

On Sunday, February 8th, 2015, we will enjoy an engaging day in the life of Auburn First Baptist Church. We will have our first inaugural Claude H. Moore Lecture Series. This lecture series is made possible by the family of Claude H. Moore, for which we are deeply grateful, and these lectures will celebrate his memory and many years of dedicated membership.

Our first guest in the lecture series will be Dr. Bill Leonard. Many in our family of faith will remember Dr. Leonard's presence here as interim pastor years ago. Bill currently serves as the James and Marilyn Dunn Professor of Baptist Studies and Professor of Church History at Wake Forest University in the School of Divinity.

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Missions Monthly
February 7th @ 11:30 a.m.
Community Market

**Reminder: No Youth Evening Activities
Sunday, January 18th**

Coming up: Youth Sunday on February 22nd!

Youth Summit
January 16th-18th
FBC of Huntsville

Passport Camp
July 12th-17th
at Greensboro College, NC
Deposit of \$100 due by
February 1st

Thursday Evening Bible Study

Fellowship Hall, 6:00 p.m.

Thursdays, January 15th, 22nd, 29th

The Church Year: Keeping Time with the Life of Jesus
(Four conversations about the Church Year)



Food Court Friday
Student Center Food Court
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. drop by

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Now Serving ATL
CBF College
Ministry Weekend
February 6th-7th
\$20 includes t shirt
Register by January 23rd

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Verb your life.

Tuesday Night Bible Study
sponsored by
Auburn First Baptist College Ministry

Tuesdays beginning
January 20th - 7pm.

Free home-cooked meal
followed by Bible study & music.

Hear the word, then act on it!
- James 1:22

Church members — sign up now to reserve your week to provide supper for Tuesday Night Bible Study! Slots are available from January through April! Contact Leigh Anne Armstrong at leighannearmstrong@gmail.com to sign up or for more info!

Renewing What is Old: The Testimony of the Old Testament J-Term Class, by Tripp Martin Sundays at 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

The Discipleship Training as well as the Connecting Faith and Family groups are gathering for a joint class, beginning in January. We will look at reading the Old Testament, listening to the themes and stories throughout those books.

Thursday, January 22nd Soup Meal

Edzard will be preparing two types of delicious soup for our evening meal. Please plan to join us and bring a bread and/or dessert to share. Please RSVP to tristaslaughter@mindspring.com.

Financial Class Sundays at 5:00 p.m., Seekers' Classroom Nine Week Course

Financial Peace University (FPU) is a class about financial management and is taught by Dave Ramsey through video presentations, class discussions, and small group activities.

If you would like to participate or have any questions, please contact Alison Crosby at suttali@gmail.com or Brian Ledbetter at brianledbetter@yahoo.com.



Sunday Evenings

Children's Choirs @ 5:00 p.m.
Education Building
Bible Encounter @ 6:00 p.m.
Activities Building

Spark adventure
@ 5:50 p.m.





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Every Sunday

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

Every Thursday

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

Thursday-15th

First Bells Handbell Room 12:45 p.m.
Stewardship Committee Mtg Library 5:00 p.m.
Youth Hang Out Time Youth Room 5:45 p.m.
Spark Adventure Education Building 5:50 p.m.

Sunday-18th

Sanctuary Choir Choir Room 3:15 p.m.

No Evening Activities

Tuesday-20th

Sr. Adult Luncheon Fellowship Hall 11:00 a.m.
DayFriends Acapulco's 11:45 a.m.
Deacons' Meeting Seekers' Classroom 6:30 p.m.
College TNBS College Room 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday-21st

Conversational English Education Building 9:00 a.m.

Thursday-22nd

First Bells Handbell Room 12:45 p.m.
Youth Hang Out Time Youth Room 5:45 p.m.
Spark Adventure Education Building 5:50 p.m.

Sunday-25th

Music Committee Meeting Choir Room 12:00 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Choir Room 3:15 p.m.
Childrens Choirs Education Building 5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir Choir Room 5:00 p.m.
Financial Peace Class Seekers' Classroom 5:00 p.m.
J-Term Class Fellowship Hall 5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter Activities Building 6:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday Nights Youth Room 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday-27th

Caring Hands Fellowship Hall 5:15 p.m.
College TNBS College Room 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday-28th

Conversational English Education Building 9:00 a.m.
Senior Adult Dinner Out Good Ol' Boys 5:00 p.m.

Thursday-29th

First Bells Handbell Room 12:45 p.m.
Youth Hang Out Time Youth Room 5:45 p.m.
Spark Adventure Education Building 5:50 p.m.

Serving the Month of January

Loaves & Fishes: Seekers

Greeters: Sharlene McDaniel, Hazel Lee, Randy West, Todd Miller, Brenda McCord

Offering: Adult 4

Visitors: Porters

Serving January 18th

Counters: Donna Bennett, Bill Faurot, Hazel Lee

Sound & Light: Andrew Yohn

Extended Session: Jeannie Eddins, Denise Stoeckel, Kelly Meeks, Andy Yohn, Lynli Cantrell-Wright

Serving January 25th

Counters: Aaron Greene, Carl Hill, James Nichols

Sound & Light: David Sutton

Extended Session: Ruthie Spiers, Amy Zhong, Cindy Cleveland, Leah Duzy, Holly Smithart

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***Listen to the service Sunday mornings
at 11 am on WAUD 1230 AM***