

# AUBURN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



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## **REFLECTIONS** by Tripp Martin

In the week to come, we will enter the final days of Lent that we refer to as Holy Week. From Palm Sunday to Holy Saturday, we will see and hear a great deal. It is a week, which points to the heart of our faith in God and to the heart of God's faithfulness to us, all of which are found in what we mean by grace.

Growing up, I did not hear much about Holy Week. We would celebrate the "Hosannas" of Palm Sunday with tremendous joy. We would ponder the depths of Jesus' death on the cross, where the light of Christ goes out. We would look forward to singing "Alleluia" on Easter morning. All the while, we did not talk much about Holy Week, and how all of those days are bound together.

Taking out a magnifying glass and looking at each of those days individually is one thing, and helpful, but it is quite another to line them up next to one another. In one week, we see and hear all of the joy and all of the pain of this world. We see that Jesus experiences so much in one week's time.

All of these aspects of life are found in Holy Week, from celebration to grief. Jesus listens to the shouts of support and to the silence of solitude. He has to face the power of the religious authorities and the political concerns of the Roman officials. He speaks prophetic words, and he is swept away in the crowd's condemning words. There is hope and rejection, courage and failure, embracement and abandonment. It is what we find in the midst of this condensed week that speaks to the heart of our faith.

Throughout Holy Week, we discover the enduring love of God, which goes with us throughout all of life. We find Jesus with us and for us, wherever we are, and we hear this echoed throughout the world on Easter. This is what we find in Jesus, throughout Holy Week and throughout all of our weeks. There is forgiveness for us that endures, justice that stands up for us, and a love that redefines how we live.

This Holy Week, we will gather and we will remember all that took place during that first week. On Sunday, March 20, our children will wave palm fronds and we will shout "Hosanna!" On Thursday, March 24, we will gather in our upper room, which we call the sanctuary, at 6:00 p.m. for the bread and the cup. On Friday, we will return in order to sit together in the darkness of Good Friday at 6:00 p.m. This will prepare us for the light of Easter morning, knowing that the Light of the World still burns bright!

-Tripp

### **Holy Week**

#### **Palm Sunday**

March 20th, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

#### **Maundy Thursday**

Communion Service

March 24th, 6:00 p.m., Sanctuary

#### **Good Friday Service**

March 25th, 6:00 p.m., Sanctuary

#### **Easter Sunday**

March 27th, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

*(No Evening Activities)*

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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.

## *Easter Lilies*

### *In Memory of:*

Charles Potter  
Ron Clark  
Riley Clark  
Sue Wallace Ranger  
Ola Walker  
Joel Biler  
Parents & Brother  
Curtis Ward  
Our Parents  
John & Jeanette Jeffers  
Inez & Walter Sowell  
Paul & Clois Shoffeitt  
Robert Earl Christmas  
Carl Hill  
Mary Street  
Zane Burleson  
Daryl McDaniel, Nephew  
Tom Conner Brown, Sr.  
Dr. & Mrs. Howard Olive  
Rev. Doug Olive  
Larry Cooper, Sr.  
Our Parents  
Dianne Wilson  
Carl Hill  
The David E. Brownings  
Homer & Mae Flynt  
Dr. & Mrs. Albert Smith  
Margaret Dunn  
J.W. Dunn  
Lula Mae Holems  
Grace Casey  
Claude H. Moore  
J.W. Bearden  
John & Jeanette Jeffers

### *Given by:*

Mary Ann Potter  
Judy Clark & Family  
Judy Clark & Family  
Stephanie Renuart  
The Walker Family  
The Walker Family  
Mary Ann Dell  
Charolette Ward  
Dale & Libby Peterson  
Dale & Libby Peterson  
Their Family  
Jean, Paul, & Mary  
Edna & Edna Earl Christmas  
Johnie & Ann Crance  
Bill & Ruth Alford  
Bill & Ruth Alford  
Mary Joe Howard  
Helen Brown  
Eileen Olive  
Eileen Olive  
Nadine Cooper  
Dee & Steve Williams  
Dee & Steve Williams  
Neda Hill  
The Browning Sons  
Wayne Flynt  
Wayne Flynt  
Shane & Brian Ledbetter-Dunn  
Shane & Brian Ledbetter-Dunn  
Shane & Brian Ledbetter-Dunn  
Candace Enkeboll  
Mary Virginia Moore  
His Family  
Jo Randall & Mary Virginia Moore

### *In Honor of:*

Our Church Staff  
Katharine, Tripp,  
J.D. & Hunter Martin  
Helen Brown  
J.D. & Hunter  
Tripp & Katharine  
Dartie Flynt  
Liam Ledbetter-Dunn

### *Given by:*

Dale & Libby Peterson  
Kitty Young  
Bill & Ruth Alford  
Pops and Kaki  
Milton & Kathy  
Wayne Flynt  
Shane & Brian Ledbetter-Dunn

## *Thursday Evening Activities*

### **March 17<sup>th</sup> - No Evening Activities**

(with the exception of Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal at 6:45 p.m.)

**March 24<sup>th</sup> - 5:15 p.m. Brown Bag Meal Time**

6:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service

**March 31<sup>st</sup> - 5:15 p.m. Brown Bag Meal Time**

6:00 p.m. Bible Study *Hyperbole: Serious Words about Faith*

## **QUACKER DAY**

***Saturday, April 2nd***

***9:00-11:00 a.m., MLK Park***

All preschool children, families and prayer partners are invited. We will have fun making ducky crafts, singing silly duck songs, and eating ducky snacks. RSVP by email [auburnfbc@mindspring.com](mailto:auburnfbc@mindspring.com) or call 887-8506. We hope you join us for a "quacker" of a day!

## **Big House Needs**

Thanks to all of you that have donated to the BigHouse Clothes Closet! The Clothes Closet helps out so many foster families in Lee County. Please continue to donate gently used clothing for children whenever possible. The BigHouse is currently running a drive for "Prom-wear." BigHouse supplies formal gowns and accessories to teen foster girls for their proms and Spring Formals. If you have formal dresses, think bridesmaid dresses, or any jewelry or hair supplies or make up (new), please consider donating these items as well.

## **Mark Your Calendars**

### **Youth Committee Meeting**

*March 20th, 12:00 p.m., Youth Room*

### **DayFriends**

*March 22nd, 11:45 a.m., Acapulco's*

### **Caring Hands**

*March 22nd, 5:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall*

### **Deacons' Meeting**

*March 22nd, 6:30 p.m., Seekers' Classroom*

### **Senior Adult Dinner Out**

*March 23rd, 5:00 p.m., Good Ol' Boys,*

### ***No Evening Activities***

*March 27th*



Passport Camp  
July 10 - 15, 2016  
Greensboro College  
Greensboro, NC



**Youth Choir**

Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Choir Rm

**Youth Sunday Nights**

6:00 p.m., Youth Room

*No Evening Activities*

*March 27*

**Prayer Breakfast**

Tuesdays, 6:30 a.m., Chick-Fil-A

*Resumes March 22nd*

**Thursday Nights**

*Brown Bag Meal Time*

5:15 p.m., F. H.

*Youth Hang Out Time*

5:45 p.m., Youth Rm

*No Evening Activities*

*March 17th*

# Global Ministries Offering Update

**Goal: \$24,000.00**

**Pledged: \$17,060.00**

**Given toward pledge: 6,365.00**

**Given unpledged: 2,125.00**

GMO Day is over but your opportunities to participate are not. If you did not already pledge or give to the GMO, please prayerfully consider making a monthly pledge or one time gift. The GMO gifts help in so many ways: locally, state-wide, nationally and internationally. Pledges can be made online at [auburnfbc.org](http://auburnfbc.org) or via pledge cards available in the sanctuary.

## Adult Sunday Evening Activities

*No Evening Activities 3/27*

### Connecting Faith and Family

Sundays at 5:00 p.m. in Fishers' Sunday School Classroom

Join us to discuss spiritual growth and parenting using

“What on Earth Am I Here For?”

### Discipleship Training

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

“Encountering God in Secular Writing”

*with Dick Graves*

## A Note of Gratitude

To our church family:

We are grateful for the sense of family we have experienced at Auburn First Baptist. As we prepared for and celebrated our wedding here, we were surrounded with love and support. Thank you for making our wedding day so wonderful. Many of you helped with food preparation, decorations, serving, and cleanup before, during, and after the reception. Others helped with the logistical details surrounding the service. You offered your presence with us on that day and helped us celebrate an important step in our lives. We have been showered with well-wishes, words of kindness, and wise advice, and we are thankful that you have taken the time to care for us and help us start a new chapter of life.

With deepest thanks,

Laura and Seth

## VBS Volunteers Needed!

Join us June 6-9 (Mon- Thurs) as we discover God's fingerprints all over our world! Whatever your gifts and talents are, they can be put to use! Whether you want to be hands-on with the children or behind the scenes, we have a place for you. Contact Leigh Anne Armstrong if you would like to help!  
[leighannearmstrong@gmail.com](mailto:leighannearmstrong@gmail.com)



### College Sunday

*April 10th*

*College group leads in worship.*

### Bible Study & Breakfast

*Sundays, 9:45 a.m., College Room*

### College Tuesday Night Bible Study

Will Not Meet March 15th, Resumes March 22nd

*Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m., College Room*

### Lunch On Campus

Will Not Meet March 16th, Resumes March 23rd

*Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., AU Student Center*



**Children's Choirs Sundays at 5:00 p.m.**

**Bible Encounter Sundays at 6:00 p.m.**

*Education Building*

*No Evening Activities March 27th*

### Spark Adventure

Thursdays @ 5:50 P.M., Ed. Bldg.

**Helpers:**

**Mar 17th: No Evening Activities**

**Mar 24th: Gwynne Lovelady**

**Mar 31st: Katharine Martin**





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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.

**Tuesday- 15th**

Senior Adult Luncheon ..... Fellowship Hall 11:00 a.m.

**Thursday- 17th**

*No Evening Activities*

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

**Sunday- 20th**

Youth Committee Meeting ..... Youth Room 12:00 p.m.  
Children's Choirs ..... Education Building 5:00 p.m.  
Youth Choir ..... Choir Room 5:00 p.m.  
Connecting Faith and Family ..... Fishers' Classroom 5:00 p.m.  
Discipleship Training ..... Fellowship Hall 5:00 p.m.  
Bible Encounter ..... Education Building 6:00 p.m.  
Youth Sunday Nights ..... Youth Room 6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday- 22nd**

Prayer Breakfast ..... Chick-fil-A 6:30 a.m.  
DayFriends ..... Acapulco's 11:45 a.m.  
Caring Hands ..... Fellowship Hall 5:15 p.m.  
Deacons' Meeting ..... Seeker's Classroom 6:30 p.m.  
TNBS ..... College Room 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday- 23rd**

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

**Thursday- 24th**

Handbell Rehearsal ..... Choir Room 12:30 p.m.  
Spark Adventure ..... Education Building 5:50 p.m.  
Maundy Thursday Service ..... Sanctuary 6:00 p.m.  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal ..... Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

**Friday- 25th**

Good Friday Service ..... Sanctuary 6:00 p.m.

**Sunday- 27th**

*No Evening Activities*

**Tuesday- 29th**

Prayer Breakfast ..... Chick-fil-A 6:30 a.m.  
TNBS ..... College Room 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday- 30th**

Conversational English ..... Education Building 9:00 a.m.

**Thursday- 31st**

Handbell Rehearsal ..... Choir Room 12:30 p.m.  
Youth Hang Out Time ..... Youth Room 5:45 p.m.  
Spark Adventure ..... Education Building 5:50 p.m.  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal ..... Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

**Serving the Month of March**

**Greeters:** Dee Williams

**Loaves & Fishes:** Pilgrims

**Offering:** Youth

**Visitors:** McClanahans

**Serving March 20th**

**Counters:** Aaron Greene, Bill Webster, James Nichols

**Sound & Light:** Addison Meeks

**Extended Session:** Cindy Cleveland, Ronda West, Suzanne Parish, Ruthie Spiers, Benjamin Wilson, Katharine Martin, Adeola Ogundele

**Serving March 27th**

**Counters:** Dwyane Beckett, Lois Graves, Bill Faurot

**Sound & Light:** Gary Cantini

**Extended Session:** Carole Zugazaga, Brad Smithart, Paula Turnham, Kathleen Sabo, Victoria Eden, Terri Wood, MaryLynn Porter

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at 11 am on WAUD 1230 AM***