

AUBURN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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REFLECTIONS by Tripp Martin

In honor of the commitment of Claude H. Moore to Auburn First Baptist Church, his family has enabled the church to establish annual lectures in his name. We look forward to the next installment of these lectures on Sunday, September 25, as we welcome Dr. Emmanuel McCall. We give thanks for this opportunity and gift as a congregation.

Dr. McCall has served various churches, ministerial education, and Baptist ministry throughout the world. He has a long tenure of preaching and pastoring a local church. He has also worked diligently and prayerfully on racial reconciliation within the Baptist family and through larger, ecumenical networks. He has also taught in seminaries at the McAfee School of Theology in Atlanta as well as in Ghana, Liberia, and Nigeria. He has served in various positions through the Baptist World Alliance, participating in the larger mission of the church throughout the world.



Claude H. Moore Lecture Series

with guest speaker
Dr. Emmanuel McCall

“Good News for Troubled Times”

Sunday, September 25

9:15 a.m. Fellowship Hall

11:00 a.m. Worship



Stop Hunger Now
Sunday, September 25th
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
at First Presbyterian Church

We will join First Presbyterian Church and Holy Trinity Episcopal to pack meals for Stop Hunger Now. Please *register online at*

<http://events.stophungernow.org/FirstPresAuburn2016>

or come by the church office to sign a printed waiver. The AFBC Youth Group has donated \$2,000 to cover the cost of the meals that we will be packing on September 25th.

He is currently serving the First Baptist Church of East Point, Georgia. He comes to speak on “Good News for Troubled Times,” sharing some of the good work taking place around racial reconciliation. Dr. McCall will speak at 9:45 a.m. in the Mary Jim Coleman Fellowship Hall and then preach during worship at 11:00 a.m. All of the Sunday School classes from the youth to adult classes are invited to come and hear his lecture in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to bring brunch items at 9:15 a.m. as we fellowship together before Dr. McCall speaks.

We are grateful for the tradition of this church, where we gather to think deeply about our faith. We learn from one another and with one another as the body of Christ, garnering wisdom and seeking understanding, as we reach out in order to meet the needs of the world around us. We give thanks for how the Claude H. Moore Lectures allow us to live further into this tradition and for Dr. McCall who comes to speak.

-Tripp

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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.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Senior Adult Luncheon

*Tuesday, September 20th, 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall
Guest Speaker: Dr. Alan Walker*

Deacons' Meeting

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

Flu Shot Clinic

*Thursday, September 22nd, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Parish Nurse's Office*

Caring Hands

Tuesday, September 27th, 5:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Senior Adult Dinner

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

Documentary Screening and Discussion *Nigerian Genocide*

A documentary screening and discussion of "The Disturbances" will be held on Thursday, October 6 at 6:00 p.m. at the Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Arts & Humanities at Pebble Hill.

Just released nationally, "The Disturbances" chronicles the role of Christian missionaries and local religious leaders in preventing deaths in 1966 in Nigeria during tribal atrocities. Thousands of people, mostly Igbos and Easterners, were brutally killed in a few days in the fall of 1966 in Northern Nigeria. The death toll would have been higher if Christian missionaries and Nigerian pastors had not taken action to save lives.

Following the screening, producer Cliff Vaughn will discuss research for the documentary, which includes more than two dozen on-camera interviews, nearly 2,500 documents, slides and photographs, and several hours of 8mm and 16mm home movies. Dr. Bonnie White, professor emerita in the Auburn University College of Education, will discuss the documentary's most critical piece of evidence, a 110-page notebook written in shorthand, which chronicles the participants growing realization of a pogrom against certain native peoples and their response. White provided a translation of the notebook for the documentary.

The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be provided. For more information, contact Mark Wilson at mwilson@auburn.edu or 334-844-6198. Pebble Hill is located at 101 S. Debardeleben Street.

AFBC Brotherhood

As AFBC Brotherhood kicks off another year, we want you to know that we will be available throughout the year to assist you in small home repairs and projects. Please let us know how we might help you by emailing Lavaughn Johnson at vonnpeg@charter.net.

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Claude H. Moore was a dedicated and beloved member of Auburn First Baptist Church. In honor of his commitment to this congregation, the family of Claude H. Moore enabled the church to establish these lectures in his name. Having joined the church in 1957, Claude and Mary Virginia, along with their children, Marianne, Elizabeth, David, Bill, and Ginger, are grateful for this congregation's place in the life of their family. Claude served the church in a number of ways, particularly as the Treasurer of Auburn First Baptist as well as a deacon for countless years. He also served as the Chair of Deacons from 1983-1984 and as a Sunday School teacher in the children's ministry for a number of years.

In February 2015, we had our inaugural Claude H. Moore Lectures with Dr. Bill Leonard. Bill was followed in September of 2015 by Julie Pennington-Russell.

We welcome Dr. Emmanuel McCall who is the pastor of the First Baptist Church of East Pointe, Georgia, where he was also the founding pastor in 2006. He has served various churches as well as a professor in ministerial education. Throughout his ministry, he has worked towards racial reconciliation. In 1968, he became the first African-American employed at the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. He served as the national Moderator of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship in 2006-2007. From 2005-2010, he served as the Vice President of the Baptist World Alliance, having already served on the Commission of Social Justice, Commission on Ethics, and the Human Rights Award Committee. Since 1993, he has served as an Adjunct Professor of the McAfee School of Theology. Dr. McCall is the author of eight books, and he was also on the Editorial Committee of the Celebrating Grace hymnal. Dr. McCall and his wife, Emma Marie, have two children and four grandchildren.

During the Sunday school hour, all youth, college and adult classes will be invited to join together to hear Dr. Emmanuel McCall teach in the Fellowship Hall. Emmanuel will also join us during worship as the guest preacher.

***Please bring your favorite brunch dish
to share as we gather at 9:15 a.m.***



Thursday Nights
 5:15 p.m. Brown Bag
 5:45 Biblical History in
 Twelve Minutes or Less

Sunday Nights

Youth Choir 5:00 p.m., Choir Room
Bible Study 6:00 p.m., Youth Room

Youth Parents' Night
 For Parents Only!

Thursday, September 29, 6:30 p.m.
 El Dorado, 1658 S. College St.

Eat dinner and fellowship with other youth parents!

Thursday Evening Activities

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

Biblical History in Twelve Minutes or Less

Led by Tripp Martin

So much of the New Testament is better understood in light of the biblical history of the Old Testament, but the subject is daunting. We will continue our talk about the biblical history of the Old Testament in twelve minutes or less, honoring the law of diminishing returns. After twelve minutes, interest wanes and benefit decreases. In focused doses, biblical history can become quite interesting, recognizing how so many aspects of the story are connected. These connections create the foundation for understanding the story of Jesus.

*September 22nd: Subtraction through Division:
 Divided Kingdoms*

September 29th: Jesus is King and New Creation

College Ministry

Meals for Tuesday Night Bible Study

If you are interested in preparing a home cooked meal for our College Tuesday Night Bible Study this fall, please email Laura at lauraedgar@mindspring.com or contact the church office at 334-887-8506.



Bible Study & Breakfast

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

College Tuesday Night Bible Study

7:00 p.m., Activities Building

Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.

Driggers' Tailgate!

Thursday, September 15th

5:00 – 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Let's welcome the Driggers with a Tailgate! The church will provide chicken, rolls, and drinks. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. We invite the church families to bring the Driggers a gift card if you wish. Don't forget to wear your Auburn orange and blue!

AFBC Parking

Downtown Auburn is a vibrant, busy place with more dining, shopping, and residences than ever before. AFBC is fortunate to reside in the midst of a bustling downtown. More people means more traffic, and an ad-hoc committee of the deacons studying parking would like to get your responses to a few brief questions related to parking. There is an online version of the survey, and the link is available below. There are also hard copies available in Sunday School classes, which can be turned into the church office. We are thankful for a lively downtown, as the context for our congregation and ministry. As downtown continues to grow, this committee is considering how to best manage the parking of the church. They will be discussing our church parking in the coming months and then reporting back to the deacons and congregation.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/T6G7KY9>



Mark Your Calendars

Children's Sabbath

Sunday, October 23rd

Children's Choir(2* 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

Spark Adventure

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

Helpers:

September 22nd: Katharine Martin

September 29th: Mary Virginia

Moore & Mary Joe Howard





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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

Handbell Rehearsal Choir Room 12:30 p.m.
Driggers' Tailgate Fellowship Hall 5:00 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

Sunday - 18th

Children's Choir Education Building 5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir Choir Room 5:00 p.m.
Fall Bible Study Fellowship Hall 5:00 p.m.
Connecting Faith and Family Fishers' Classroom 5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter Education Building 6:00 p.m.
YSN Youth Room 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 20th

Senior Adult Lucheon Fellowship Hall 11:00 a.m.
Dayfriends Acapulco's 11:45 a.m.
Deacons' Meeting Seeker's Room 6:30 p.m.
TNBS College Room 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday - 21st

Conversational English Education Building 9:00 a.m.

Thursday - 22nd

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

Sunday - 25th

Brunch and
Combined Adult Sunday School ... Fellowship Hall 9:15 a.m.
Stop Hunger Now First Presbyterian 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday - 28th

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

Thursday - 29th

Handbell Rehearsal Choir Room 12:30 p.m.
Spark Adventure Education Building 9:00 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Choir Room 6:45 p.m.

Serving the Month of September

Greeters: Brenda & Aaron Green, Dick Graves

Offering: Youth

Visitors: Ronda & Randy West

Loaves & Fishes: Adult IV

Serving September 18, 2016

Counters: Flarcie Hopkins, Alice Lumpkin, Lavaughn Johnson

Sound & Light: Chad Parish

Extended Session: Leah Duzy, Sue Walker, Caroyln Thompson, Lesley Odom, Benjamin Wilson

Serving September 25, 2016

Counters: Wallace Baldwin, Donna Bennett, Hazel Lee

Sound & Light: Addison Meeks

Extended Session: Carole Zugazaga, Kelly Meeks, Jay Spier, Andy Yohn, Victoria Eden

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