

AUBURN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



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REFLECTIONS...

Under Construction

by: Tripp Martin

As we drive around Auburn, whether we are passing by campus or a street corner downtown, there is construction. It always creates questions and curiosity. We might drive by our neighbor's house, where they are building a new addition and wonder, "How long will it take to complete?" We might notice a bulldozer clearing a new lot and think, "I hope it is a Trader Joe's grocery store."

It is the same with churches. I remember the era of the church when it seemed like everyone was building a family life center. Business meetings were filled with the suggestion, and there was a desire to have a multi-purpose facility. News would travel around town quickly when the church broke ground. Construction invites questions and curiosity.

We look forward to our building project at Vacation Bible School on June 4-7. Our theme will be "Under Construction," which is a VBS curriculum connected with Habitat for Humanity. We will not be changing the footprint of our building at the corner of College Street and Glenn Avenue, but we will be deeply involved in construction.

The children of the church will build relationships with one another and mentors. They will collect an offering for the work of Habitat for Humanity. They will build upon their knowledge and understanding, learning stories from scripture and songs in worship.

They will cultivate memories, which will strengthen them in the future. They will experience the love of God, which builds hope, character, and courage. They will fashion an outlook of the world based on the ways of Jesus.

It will be a week of construction, woven together with laughter, prayer, and the community of faith. Registration has begun, so if you know of someone who would be interested, they can register online or with a form in the church office. We are grateful for the leaders and teachers of VBS, and everyone preparing for this week! We look forward to the sounds of our construction site, which are the voices of the children of the church and the ways of God.

College Choir Reunion

May 25-27, 2018

Registration at www.auburnfbc.org

We will have a churchwide potluck following worship on Sunday, May 27 when the College Choir will sing. The church will provide the chicken and drinks. *Everyone bring food to share!*

Volunteers Needed

The Music Committee is looking for some volunteers to help move tables and chairs for some of the College Choir reunion activities on Saturday, May 26. Trucks are needed as well. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Cathy Summers at:

catherine.summers@gmail.com

VBS Volunteers Meetings

"Under Construction"

June 4-7, 2018

Decorating Days: Sunday, May 20th, 2:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 3rd, 2:00 p.m.

Registration

Register online at auburnfbc.org/vbs18.
Forms are also available at the church office.

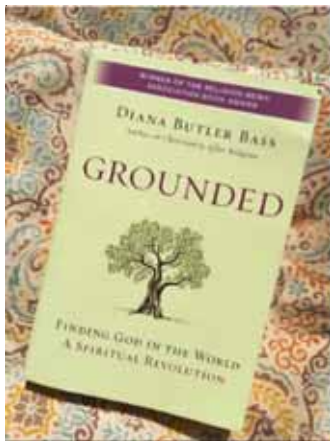
Help our Brasil Mission Team!

Below is a *list of items* they will need for the children of Brasil. Please place donations for this project in the bucket provided in the hallway outside the church office.

Items needed include: coloring books and crayons, pencils, small pencil sharpeners, ball point pens, six inch rulers, individually wrapped chewing gum, bubble gum and hard candy (no chocolate), baseball type caps, stickers (smiley faces, etc), quart size zipper storage bags, toothbrushes, toothpaste, t-shirts, and work gloves.

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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.



Intergenerational Ladies' Class

*beginning a new study
'Grounded'
Sundays at 9:45 in the
Education Bldg.*

...if you're looking for us, we're looking for you!

leighannearmstrong@gmail.com
for more information

Loaves and Fishes

The Loaves and Fishes program ministers to people in our community by furnishing hot meals every Tuesday to recipients selected by the Salvation Army, our partner in this ministry. We currently need volunteers. If you would be willing to take a week or two and prepare 16 meals for the Loaves and Fishes Ministry, please contact the church office.

Volunteers needed for July 10th, 17th, 24th, and 31st.

College Choir Reunion Schedule

Friday, May 25

6:00 p.m. Check - in & Fellowship *Fellowship Hall*
7:00 p.m. Alumni Choir Rehearsal *Sanctuary*

Saturday, May 26

8:30 a.m. Coffee & Refreshments (optional) *Choir Room*
9:00 a.m. Alumni Choir Rehearsal *Sanctuary*
10:30 a.m. AFBC Sanctuary Choir Joins In *Sanctuary*
12:30 p.m. Picnic Lunch *Town Creek Park*

Sunday, May 27

8:30 a.m. Coffee & Refreshments *Choir Room*
9:00 a.m. Alumni Choir Warm-Up *Choir Room*
9:30 a.m. AFBC Sanctuary Choir Joins In *Sanctuary*
11:00 a.m. Worship Service *Sanctuary*
12:00 p.m. Churchwide Potluck *Activities Building*

Thursday Evening Activities

*5:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall
"Heretics"*

Led by Tripp Martin

A "heretic" is a label that is earned through history. A question turns into an argument and then becomes a crisis. In the midst of the crisis, the church gathers to make a decision. Heretics do not aim to create a crisis. They are simply asking hard questions. We will reflect on some of those questions. The questions can enlighten and enrich, deepening our understanding of our faith.

Mission Committee Community Market - Baby Items

One of the important needs of the Community Market is for babies. At the Community Market, the baby closet offers *infant dry cereal, baby food (jars), baby wipes, and diapers or pull-ups (all sizes)*. These are needs that are ongoing. The Mission Committee would like to focus on collecting these items for the Community Market. There is a basket outside of the church office, where these items can be placed. Then they will be delivered to the Community Market. Thank you for caring for the youngest amongst us and supporting families in our community, as they care for their children.

Inquirers' Class

*for the third through fifth grade Sunday School
Each Sunday in May*

During May, these students will gather during Sunday School with Tripp to focus on various aspects of their faith, providing the children an opportunity to ask questions.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Senior Adult Luncheon

Tuesday, May 15th, 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Dayfriends

Tuesday, May 15th, 11:45 a.m., Acapulco's

Deacons' Meeting

Tuesday, May 15th, 6:30 p.m., Seekers' Classroom

Youth Committee Meeting

Sunday, May 20th, 12:00 p.m., Library

End of School Year BBQ

*Sunday, May 20th, 12:00 p.m., Activities Building
All preschool, children, and their families are invited!*

VBS Decorating

Sunday, May 20th, 2:00 p.m., Education Building

Missions Committee Meeting

Sunday, May 20th, 5:00 p.m., Library

Caring Hands

Tuesday, May 22nd, 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Senior Adult Dinner Out

Wednesday, May 23rd, 5:30 p.m., Good Ol' Boys

College Choir Reunion

May 25-27, 2018

Churchwide Potluck for Choir Reunion

*Sunday, May 27th, 12:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
The church will provide chicken and drinks.*

Church Office Closed

Monday, May 28th

Dayfriends

Tuesday, May 29th, 11:45 a.m., Little Italy



Thursday Nights
5:15 p.m. Brown Bag
5:45 p.m. Youth Hang Out Time

PASSPORTchoices

July 8-13, 2018
Balance due now

YOUTH S O S

June 10

Location TBA



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Sunday, June 3rd, 2:00 p.m.

VBS Registration 2018!

“Under Construction”

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Registration forms are available around the church, or you can register online at: auburnfbc.org/vbs18. Preschool space is limited, and dinner will not be provided this year. We look forward to an exciting week of Vacation Bible School!

Potluck Dinner

with Cross Road Baptist Church

Wednesday, June 13th, 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

We are joining with Cross Road Baptist Church again this year for Vacation Bible School. In order to celebrate, we will gather on Wednesday, June 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a Potluck Dinner. We will welcome everyone from Cross Road along with Dr. Johnny Green, our friend and their pastor. Since we will gather on Wednesday, we will not have our regular scheduled activities on Thursday, June 14.



End of School Year BBQ

Sunday, May 20th
12:00-1:30 p.m.,
Activities Building
All preschool, children, and their families are invited!

Join us for BBQ as we celebrate the end of the school year. RSVP by email at kristinahickman@mindspring.com or call 887-8506.

Sparkman Ministry

Summer Lunch Program

We have been invited to participate again this summer in a lunch program through a regional food bank in the Sparkman neighborhood. We will serve a free meal provided by the food bank and spend some time playing with the children. On each Tuesday during June, we need a few volunteers to serve lunch at 12:30 p.m. and play games with the children after lunch. If you are interested in helping, please email the church office at kristinahickman@mindspring.com. Location of Sparkman Neighborhood: Sparkman Drive, off Commerce Drive in Auburn.



Passport Kids Camp

July 7-10, 2018

Converse College, Spartanburg, South Carolina

Students 3rd-5th grade, Deposit:\$75

Total: \$275 (includes deposit)

Balance Due: May 27



Bible Study & Breakfast

Sundays, 9:45 a.m.

College Room (Activities Building)

Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.

Spark Adventure

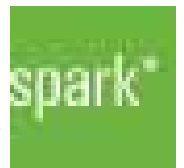
Thursdays, 5:50 P.M., Ed. Bldg.

Helpers:

May 17th: Leigh Anne Armstrong

May 24th: Kelly Meeks

May 31st: Katharine Martin





Auburn First Baptist Church
 128 E Glenn Ave.
 Auburn, AL 36830

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.
 Dayfriends Acapulco's 11:45 a.m.
 Deacons' Meeting Seekers' Classroom 6:30 p.m.

Thursday- 17th

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.

Sunday- 20th

Youth Committee Meeting Library 12:00 p.m.
 End of School Year BBQ Activities Building 12:00 p.m.
 VBS Decorating Education Building 2:00 p.m.
 Missions Committee Meeting Library 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday- 22nd

Caring Hands Fellowship Hall 5:30 p.m.

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Friday- 25th

College Choir Reunion Rehearsal .. Choir Room 7:00 p.m.

Saturday- 26th

College Choir Reunion Rehearsal .. Choir Room 9:00 a.m.
 College Choir Reunion Picnic Town Creek Park 12:30 p.m.

Sunday- 27th

Churchwide Potluck Activities Building 12:00 p.m.

Monday- 28th

Church Office Closed

Tuesday- 29th

Dayfriends Little Italy 11:45 a.m.

Thursday- 31st

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 May

Greeters: Dee Williams, Mary Ann Dell

Visitors: Franklin and Anne Randle

Offering: Sojourner/Young Adults

Serving May 20th, 2018

Counters: Dwayne Beckett, Lois Graves, Bill Faurot

Sound & Light: Lindsay Crosby

Extended Session: Alice Martin, Jeannie Bumgardner, Kelly Meeks, Lynli Cantrell - Wright, Lynn Eden, Leigh Anne Armstrong, Merle Bass

Loaves & Fishes: Stephanie Renuart

Serving May 27th, 2018

Counters: Flarcie Hopkins, Helen Bearden, Bill McIntyre

Sound & Light: Lynli Cantrell - Wright

Extended Session: Anne Randle, Beth Smith, Amber Berry - Moore, Franklin Randle, Katharine Martin, Terri Wood, MaryLynn Porter

Loaves & Fishes: Cathy Summers

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