



Auburn First Baptist Church

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Building Community, Serving Community

August 15, 2019

WORSHIP

Returning

By: Tripp Martin

August 18th

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Hebrews 11:29-12:2

August 25th

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Luke 13:10-17
Jeremiah 1:4-10

Lay Worship Leader for August:
Chad Parish

As we return to our weekly schedules at the beginning of the school year, we will also gather around those who have returned from the Brazil Mission Trip, as they will share their experiences with us. We will celebrate their work and hear their stories! On Thursday, August 29 at 5:45 p.m., we will share in their experiences.

Leading up to a mission trip, the preparation gives way finally to our excitement and expectations, but returning from mission work always exceeds those expectations. The people we met, the experiences we had, the needs we addressed, and the hope we encountered were more meaningful than we could have ever imagined! We brushed up against God's Spirit, reminded of what truly matters in this life.

In this way, we never really "return" from a mission trip. Instead, we are reminded that each day is an opportunity to offer the grace of God to others. There is a strand of purpose, or mission, which runs throughout our faith, and lives. The needs we encountered on the mission trip, ranging from poverty and despair to loneliness and grief are found in the places we live as well.

Each week, even in the mundane routines of our lives, we can lean into this calling together! Meals are prepared for Loaves and Fishes. Classes convene for conversational English. Folks volunteer at the Community Market. Nails are hammered at Habitat for Humanity sites. Prayer beads are made. Children gather for choir practice. Youth meet on Sunday night. College students gather on Tuesday night. We use our Benevolence Funds to care for the vulnerable and poor. We share a calling, which layers our lives with purpose!

We never really "return" from the work of missions, and we share this ministry in countless ways. We celebrate these opportunities and give thanks for the grace of God we find within them! As we hear the stories from the Brazil Mission Trip, and we return to the weekly routine of the school year, let us never "return" from the mission of the church. Let us celebrate it and continue to re-imagine it for the days ahead!

REMINDERS

Brasil Mission Report

Thursday, August 29
5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall
Come to hear stories and see pictures!

Claude H. and Mary Virginia Moore Lecture Series

Sunday, September 15, 9:15 a.m.,
Fellowship Hall
with Dr. Paul Wallace
"Love and Quasars"
Please bring your favorite brunch dish
to share as we gather!
Brunch is at 9:15 a.m.

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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.

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Round Table

Sundays at 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
“The Calling of Faith,” Led by Tripp Martin

When Jesus begins his ministry, he calls the disciples to follow him. They watch intently, ask questions, and listen carefully, discovering the ways of Jesus and the calling of God’s grace. It describes our journey of faith! We find stories about calling throughout scripture whether it is Abraham, Paul, Mary, or Nicodemus. We will reflect on the calling of our faith, which we share and live out together!

August 18 – Can You Hear Me Now?

August 25– Come to Dinner!

September 8 – What is Our Calling?

Connecting Faith and Family

Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Fishers’ Classroom

Discussion and support about parenting and personal spiritual growth. We are reading *More than Words: 10 Values for the Modern Family* by Erin Wathen. We will finish the last three chapters in August and start a new book in September. For those interested in participating in Connecting Faith and Family, email Leah Duzy at aduzyofalife@gmail.com for notes on the chapters being discussed as well as updates on the new book for September. All are welcome!

Claude H. and Mary Virginia Moore Lecture Series

Sunday, September 15, 9:15 a.m., Fellowship Hall
with Dr. Paul Wallace

“Love and Quasars”

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

Dr. Paul Wallace is a teacher, writer, and speaker. He teaches physics and astronomy at Agnes Scott College in Decatur, Georgia, and he writes at the intersection of science and faith. He holds a PhD in experimental nuclear physics from Duke University, MDiv from Emory University’s Candler School of Theology, and is ordained in the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. For three years, he was a NASA Faculty Fellow at Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland, and he has also taught classes at Columbia Theological Seminary in Atlanta.

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

THURSDAYS

Thursday Activities

5:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

August 15th & 22nd – Meditations from Howard Thurman
by Tripp Martin

August 29th – Brasil Mission Report

Catering will be provided by Ursula’s Catering. Reservations can be made on the church website, or by contacting the church office, by Tuesday of each week. Come and enjoy the fellowship and food!

\$8.00/person
\$20 max/family
Under 5 years old eats free.
(Visitors eat free their first time)

*Reservations are requested, but if you forget, you are still invited to come!

COLLEGE

Welcome Lunch

Sunday, August 18, 12:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Welcome Retreat

Saturday, August 24, 10:00 a.m., Gay Street Lot

Bible Study & Breakfast

Sundays, 10:15 a.m.
College Room (Activities Building)

College Tuesday Night Bible Study

Begins August 20th
7:00 p.m., Activities Building

Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.

Meals for Tuesday Night Bible Study

Starts Tuesday, August 20th

Thank you for always supporting this important mission and ministry of our church. One of the most meaningful things we do is offer students a meal and opportunity for fellowship to begin each Tuesday night.

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

YOUTH

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

Youth Choir **Youth Sunday Nights**
 Sundays, 5:00 p.m. Sundays, 6:00 p.m.
 Choir Room Youth Room

Youth Lake Day
 Sunday, September 8th
 Gay Street lot
 12:00 p.m.



Contact Laura to sign up!

CHILDREN

Children's Choirs (3* 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., Education Building
Helpers:
 August 15th: Stephanie Renuart & Leigh Anne Armstrong
 August 22nd: Mary Joe Howard & Katharine Martin
 August 29th: Dawn Driggers & Carolyn Grimes

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

<i>Every Sunday</i>	<i>Every Thursday</i>
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.	Dinner 5:15 p.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.	Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Thursday - 15th

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.

Friday - 16th

Deacons' Banquet	Fellowship Hall	6:30 p.m.
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Sunday - 18th

Children's Committee Mtg	Library	12:00 p.m.
College Welcome Lunch.....	Fellowship Hall	12:00 p.m.
Children's Choir	Education Building	5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir	Choir Room	5:00 p.m.
The Round Table.....	Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
Connection Faith & Family.....	Fishers' Room	5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter	Education Building	6:00 p.m.
YSN	Youth Room	6:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 20th

Deacons' Meeting	Seekers' Room	6:30 p.m.
TNBS	College Room	7:00 p.m.

Wednesday - 21st

Conversational English	Education Building	9:00 a.m.
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Thursday - 22nd

First Bells.....	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.

Saturday - 24th

College Welcome Retreat	Gay Street lot	10:00 a.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal.....	Choir Room	9:00 a.m.

Sunday - 25th

Children's Choir	Education Building	5:00 p.m.
Youth Choir	Choir Room	5:00 p.m.
The Round Table.....	Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
Connection Faith & Family.....	Fishers' Room	5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter	Education Building	6:00 p.m.
YSN	Youth Room	6:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 27th

Dayfriends.....	Bazilia's	11:45 a.m.
Caring Hands	Fellowship Hall	5:30 p.m.

Wednesday - 28th

Conversational English	Education Building	9:00 a.m.
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Thursday - 29th

First Bells.....	Choir Room	12:30 p.m.
Brasil Mission Report	Fellowship Hall	5:45 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.



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MISSIONS

**JAIL MINISTRY
CHRISTMAS PROJECT 2019**

It's time to turn our attention to our church's involvement in the Lee County Detention Center's Christmas boxes. Please survey your home for empty shoe boxes you might contribute. Boxes must be at least 6 inches wide and have removable tops (please, no fold over tops this year.)

Several churches share the work of preparing 400 boxes (total inmates). We will prepare 150 boxes; several small churches in Auburn and Opelika prepare the rest. Please bring them to the table in the church library.

Teresa Vest and Charlotte Sutton
Christmas Boxes Project Chair and Co-Chair

Brasil Mission Report

*Thursday, August 29th, 5:45 p.m.
Fellowship Hall*

Serving the Month of August

Greeters: Nancy Roberts and Dee Williams
Visitors: Ken & Lisa Stone
Offering: Adult 4
Loaves & Fishes: Pilgrims

Serving August 18, 2019

Counters: Flarcie Hopkins, Helen Bearden, Bill McIntyre
Sound & Light: Michael Cline
Extended Session: Betty Tatum, Lynn Eden, Jeannie Bumgardner, Ruthie Spiers, Mark Wilson, Candy Enkeboll

Serving August 25, 2019

Counters: Wallace Baldwin, Hazel Lee
Sound & Light: Gary Cantini
Extended Session: Mary Ann Dell, Alex Ritenbaugh, Suzanne Parish, Anna Coxwell, Sue Walker, Spenser Keel

Community Market - Baby Items

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. Thank you for caring for the youngest amongst us and supporting families in our community!

GMO

Global Ministries Offering Update

Goal: \$24,500.00
Pledged: \$12,760.00
Given toward pledge: \$6,685.00
Given unpledged: \$3,700.00

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