



# Auburn First Baptist Church

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*Building Community, Serving Community*

September 15, 2019

## WORSHIP

September 15th

*Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
Job 42:1-6  
*Guest Preacher, Dr. Paul Wallace*

September 22nd

*Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
Luke 16:1-13  
Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

September 29th

*Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15  
Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16

Lay Worship Leader for September:  
Wally Ridgway

## REMINDERS

### **Claude H. and Mary Virginia Moore Lecture Series**

*Sunday, September 15th, 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.*

### **Deacon Nominating Committee and Committee on Committees**

Recommendations and forms are due  
September 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **Special-Called Business Meeting**

*Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 5:45 p.m.*  
Agenda: Recommendation for Special  
Ministry & Mission Trust Fund

### **Pledge Sunday October 6<sup>th</sup>**

As Pledge Sunday approaches, we  
reflect on our gifts to the church.

## Ways to Remember

By: Tripp Martin

Whenever we experience something meaningful, we need ways to remember it. It is why we gather for worship to sing of God’s goodness, to gather around the table to share in God’s grace, or to read the stories of our faith, celebrating the life of Jesus. We gather to remember God’s enduring love and how it goes with us on the journey of faith!

With satire and humor, Brett Younger describes what the saints of our faith throughout scripture might have done to remember. Noah stayed off boats for the rest of his life. Jacob liked looking at the ladders at Home Depot. Moses walked barefoot, except at work. Mary like to sit under the stars, looking at the brightest one in the sky. The prodigal son always ate fatted calf on his birthday. The couple from Emmaus never forgot to say grace before a meal.

One practical way we remember in worship is by bringing our offerings. We bring our time, talents, and financial gifts to remember God’s enduring love. We remember the gift of life and the grace of God, which gives us life anew. We remember the calling we share as the body of Christ and the abundant life found within it.

There are many ways in which the church has described stewardship. We have talked about avoiding bigger barns and celebrating the widow’s mite. We have imagined the early church sharing all things in common, and we have discussed where our treasure is because it impacts our hearts. We can also talk about stewardship as “remembering.”

We need ways to remember because it renews our gratitude. We give in order to remember the generosity of God. We remember the foundation of God’s love beneath our feet. We need ways to remember that bind us to others because we share so much with them.

As the season of stewardship is upon us, we will remember together! We will gather on Sunday, October 6 for Pledge Sunday. We will remember God’s grace in our lives and in the life of Auburn FBC. For all the gifts of the congregation, we give thanks to God! We are thankful for the commitment of the church!

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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.

## Deacon Nominations

It's that time of year to begin the process for recommending deacons for the 2020 Deacon Board. Following are the eligibility requirements to become a deacon at AFBC: (1) a person must have been a member of AFBC for the most recent 36 months, (2) a person must be 21 years of age or older, (3) a person must not have served as an active service deacon in the past three years, (4) a person cannot serve concurrently with one's spouse, (5) a person must have regular attendance in worship, shown leadership in programs of the church and willingness to serve when called upon by deacon officers and staff members.

*If for any reason you would rather your name not be considered, please call or notify the church office by e-mail at [kristina@auburnfbc.org](mailto:kristina@auburnfbc.org) by September 16<sup>th</sup>.*

Deacon Nominations can be made by completing a nomination form, found outside the church office and dropping it in the box by September 16<sup>th</sup>.

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## Committees are Important To the Life of our Congregation

The work of the various committees of Auburn First Baptist Church are vital to the ministries and mission of the church. Every member has the opportunity to serve on one or more of our committees. *A copy of the Committee on Committees form is available outside the church office and is due by September 16.*

Thank you for your willingness to serve!

### FELLOWSHIP

## Churchwide Picnic

*Sunday, October 13*

After Children's Sabbath, we will gather at Town Creek Park for our annual churchwide picnic. Bring a side or dessert to share. Fried chicken and drinks will be provided. Don't forget your tailgate chair or blanket! In case of rain join us in the Activities Building.

### THURSDAYS

## Thursday Activities

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

Remember to RSVP for dinner by noon on Tuesday of each week.

### SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

## Round Table

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

*"Grateful" by Sara Jackson Shelton*

Pastor Emeritus, Baptist Church of the Covenant  
Birmingham, Alabama  
September 15, 22, & 29

Telling personal stories as well as Biblical ones, we will consider a life characterized by living gratefully. You are invited to bring a Bible, pen, and small notebook.

September 15 - Living with duty or gratitude?  
September 22 - How does gratitude shape our lives, or ethics?  
September 29 - Gratitude and Community

## Connecting Faith and Family

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

Discussion and support about parenting and personal spiritual growth. We will start *The Road Back to You: An Enneagram Journey to Self-Discovery* by Ian Morgan Cron and Suzanne Stabile in September. Questions regarding Connecting Faith and Family should be directed to Leah Duzy at [aduzyofalife@gmail.com](mailto:aduzyofalife@gmail.com). 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 our guest preacher.

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

### COLLEGE

## Bible Study & Breakfast

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

## College Tuesday Night Bible Study

*7:00 p.m., Activities Building*

Fellowship. Service. Special Activities.

## YOUTH

### Thursday Nights

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

### Youth Choir

Sundays, 5:00 p.m.  
Choir Room

### Youth Sunday Nights

Sundays, 6:00 p.m.  
Youth Room

### Youth Parents' Night

Sunday, September 29, 6:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall



*Winter Youth Summit*

January 17-19, 2020

FBC Huntsville

Cost: \$150

*Contact Laura to sign up!*

## CHILDREN



### Teddy Bear Sleepover!

Join us in celebrating the start of the new school year by bringing your favorite stuffed animal to church for cookies and milk! Afterwards, the stuffed animals will have a sleepover at church and will be picked up the next morning. *Light supper provided.*

Location: Fellowship Hall

Time: Saturday, September 21st, 5:00 p.m.

### Children's Sabbath

Sunday, October 13th, 11:00 a.m., Worship  
"Champions of Our Faith"

We look forward to the children of the church  
leading us in worship!

### 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:

*September 19th: Stephanie Renuart & Katharine Martin*

*September 26th: Dawn Driggers & Julie McClanahan*

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

#### Every Sunday

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

#### Every Thursday

Dinner 5:15 p.m.  
Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

#### Sunday - 15th

Moore Lecture Brunch.....	Fellowship Hall	9:15 a.m.
Children's Committee Mtg.....	Fellowship Hall	12:00 p.m.
Youth Committee Meeting.....	Youth Room	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.
Connecting Faith & Family.....	Fishers' Room	5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter .....	Education Building	6:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday Night .....	Youth Room	6:00 p.m.

#### Tuesday - 17th

Prime Timers Lunch .....	Fellowship Hall	11:00 a.m.
Deacons' Meeting .....	Seekers' Room	6:30 p.m.
College Bible Study .....	College Room	7:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday - 18th

Conversational English .....	Education Building	9:00 a.m.
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#### Thursday - 19th

First Bells.....	Choir Room	12:30 p.m.
Special-Called Business Mtg...	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.

#### Saturday - 21st

Teddy Bear Sleepover.....	Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
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#### Sunday - 22nd

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.
Connecting Faith & Family.....	Fishers' Room	5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter .....	Education Building	6:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday Night .....	Youth Room	6:00 p.m.

#### Tuesday - 24th

Dayfriends.....	Veggies To Go	11:45 a.m.
Caring Hands .....	Fellowship Hall	5:30 p.m.
College Bible Study .....	College Room	7:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday - 25th

Conversational English .....	Education Building	9:00 a.m.
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#### Thursday - 26th

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.

#### Sunday - 29th

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.
Connecting Faith & Family.....	Fishers' Room	5:00 p.m.
Bible Encounter .....	Education Building	6:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday Night .....	Youth Room	6:00 p.m.
Youth Parents' Night .....	Fellowship Hall	6:00 p.m.

### Extended Session

We are looking to add a few more people to the Extended Session rotation. If you would be interested in keeping children in the nursery during the worship service please contact Anna Coxwell at [coxwella@gmail.com](mailto:coxwella@gmail.com). Thank you!



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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

**Serving the Month of September**

**Greeters:** Gina Cantrell & Mary Ann Dell  
**Visitors:** Ray & Shirley Brown  
**Offering:** Youth  
**Loaves & Fishes:** Adult IV

**Serving September 15, 2019**

**Counters:** Flarcie Hopkins, Helen Bearden, Bill McIntyre  
**Sound & Light:** David Sutton  
**Extended Session:** Kelly Meeks, Ashley Aston, Patrick White, Leah Duzy, Cynthia Smithart

**Serving September 22, 2019**

**Counters:** Wallace Baldwin, Hazel Lee  
**Sound & Light:** Chad Parish  
**Extended Session:** Betty Tatum, Ashley Aston, Jay Spiers, Ruthie Spiers, Candy Enkeboll, Mark Wilson

**Serving September 29, 2019**

**Counters:** Charles Segrest, Bill Webster, James Nichols  
**Sound & Light:** Michael Cline  
**Extended Session:** Anne Randle, Franklin Randle, Cindy Cleveland, Katharine Martin

**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. 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.

**Volunteer Dates: October 15, 22, 29,  
December 10 & 17**

***PrimeTimers on the Move***

*Tuesday, September 17th, 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall*

PrimeTimers on the Move invites those interested in hearing about Auburn University long ago to join us on Tuesday, September 17. Bob Weidenbach will be our guest speaker. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by Friday, September 13 to [kristina@auburnfbc.org](mailto:kristina@auburnfbc.org).

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at 11 am on WAUD 1230 AM*