

Welcome Visitors

Date: _____

Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Is this your:

1st time?
 2nd time?
 3rd time?

I'm interested in:

Knowing how to commit my life to Christ.

Growing in my relationship with Christ.

Information on joining this church family.

A small group.

Activities:

Children
 Junior High
 Single Adults
 Young Couples
 Young Adults
 Adults
 Seniors
 Music
 Bible Studies

How did you learn about Antioch?

Church Website
 YouTube/Live Streaming
 Social Media
 Outreach - Invited / Recommended
 Location - Drive by
 Other _____

NEXT WEEK: December 29th

NURSERY: Keri Carwile, Lisa Upchurch

USHERS: John McGuire, Gregory Bronson, Hugh McGuire, Tom McGuire

DEACON OF THE WEEK: Mark Phillippie

Attendance 12/15/2024

Sunday School	56
Morning Worship	119
Awana	Winter Break
Youth Bible Study	Winter Break
Youth (12/18)	(8)youth/(2)Adults
Missions Journey Kids:	(3) Kids/(2) Adults

WEEKLY
<i>Sunday Morning Prayer Rally: each Sunday at 9:20 a.m. in the Parlor</i>
Sunday School Classes meet at 9:45 a.m. before the 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service.
Sunday Lunch Covered-dish & beverage lunch at noon, following Morning Worship.

Financial Information:
Information is provided monthly, appearing in the first or second Sunday's bulletin.
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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS OF OPERATION
Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

During the Hymn of Commitment, we encourage you to respond if you are considering becoming a Christian, church membership, or any other spiritual decision. A minister will be available at the conclusion of the service to answer any questions you may have.

THE ABC'S OF SALVATION

ADMIT

Admit to God that you are a sinner. All persons need salvation. Each of us has a problem the Bible calls sin. Sin is a refusal to acknowledge God's authority over our lives. Everyone who does not live a life of perfect obedience to the Lord is guilty of sin. "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). Since none of us is perfect, all of us are sinners (Romans 3:10-18).

By God's perfect standard we are guilty of sin and therefore subject to the punishment for sin, which is spiritual death and separation from God (Romans 6:23). Admitting that you are a sinner and separated from God is the first step of repentance, which is turning from sin and self and turning toward God.

BELIEVE

Believe in Jesus Christ as God's Son and receive Jesus' gift of forgiveness from sin. God loves each of us. God offers us salvation. Although we have done nothing to deserve His love and salvation, God wants to save us. In the death of Jesus on the cross, God provided salvation for all who would repent of their sins and believe in Jesus. "For God loved the world in this way: He gave His One and Only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

CONFESS

Confess your faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord to others. After you have received Jesus Christ into your life, share your decision with another person. Tell your pastor or a Christian friend about your decision. Following Christ's example, ask for baptism by immersion in your local church as a public expression of your faith. "If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. With the heart one believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth one confesses, resulting in salvation" (Romans 10:9-10).

PRAYER:

Dear God, I believe you sent your son, Jesus, to die for my sins so I can be forgiven. I'm sorry for my sins and I want to live the rest of my life the way you want me to. Please put your Spirit in my life to direct me. Amen.



*Thanks be unto God
for his unspeakable gift.*

2 Corinthians 9:15, KJV

WELCOME!

We extend the hand of friendship to all who have come to worship. We rejoice in your presence and invite you to spend time after the service to get acquainted with those who are near you.

If you are new to our church or community, we realize that you likely have questions – about what we believe, about what you see and hear in our services, about our ministries, or perhaps just about our facilities. Please ask. Many of us came here as strangers,... and found a community of shared faith that we now call home. Even if you are here for just a short while, our prayer is that you will leave refreshed and renewed for the journey ahead. May God bless you as you seek to worship Him.

OUR MISSION:
LOVE GOD. EXALT CHRIST. SEEK HIS WILL. SERVE HIS PURPOSE.

UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

December 22, 2024

Preparation for Worship

Video **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Atwater

Lighting of Advent Candle

Call to Worship **“Mary, Did You Know?”** Debbie Bowden

Children’s Sermon Robin Farrell

***Offertory Hymn #125 v.1,2,4** **“Joy to the World”** Congregation

Offertory Prayer James Parrott

Offering
Children’s Church
 Ages five through third grade, may exit to the Educational Building.

Offertory Music Ann Heatherley

Scripture Reading **Matthew 1:1 & 17** Crawford Dameron

Special Music **“Rose of Bethlehem”** Debbie Bowden

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Atwater

Message *“The Forgotten Part of the Christmas Story.”* Pastor Atwater

***Hymn of Response #157 (all)** **“Away in a Manger”** Congregation

Benediction Pastor Atwater

Depart to Serve

* Please Stand

Thoughts to Ponder

“As the Old Testament draws to a close, the temple stands empty, the prophets fall silent, and the throne is vacant. As the New Testament opens, almost all the tokens of God’s love are gone. Suddenly, into this seeming picture of love’s labor lost, comes the greatest demonstration of love the world has ever seen. God sends Jesus, the Son He has loved from eternity past.” – Michael Lawrence

“Emmanuel. God with us. He who resided in Heaven, co-equal and co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, willingly descended into our world. He breathed our air, felt our pain, knew our sorrows, and died for our sins. He didn’t come to frighten us, but to show us the way to warmth and safety.” – Charles Swindoll

“The [Christian] message is that there is hope for a ruined humanity – hope of pardon, hope of peace with God, hope of glory – because at the Father’s will Jesus became poor, and was born in a stable so that thirty years later He might hang on a cross.” – J.I. Packer

“God may thunder His commands from Mount Sinai and men may fear yet remain at heart exactly as they were before. But let a man once see his God down in the arena as a Man – suffering, tempted, sweating, and agonized, finally dying a criminal’s death – and he is a hard man indeed who is untouched.” – J. B. Phillips

Deacon of the week: James Parrott

“When you leave the church property today, you automatically enter ‘the mission field.’”

Today:
Fourth Sunday of Advent
 Sunday Lunch noon

Monday
Budget & Finance Comm. Mtg. 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday
Christmas Eve Meal 5:30 p.m.
Christmas Eve Communion Service 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday
NO SERVICES: MERRY CHRISTMAS!
Dec. 25th & 26th: Church Office Closed

Thursday
Ronald McDonald House Meal

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Distribution

Please consider making a donation toward shipping expenses for the boxes that were packed at Antioch this year.

\$10 suggested donation per box.

Our need:

Goal = \$5,620.00

Received to date = \$5,117.57

Balance needed = \$502.43

Ronald McDonald House Meal

Antioch will prepare a hot home-made meal for the families staying at the house on Thursday, December 26th.

The meal ministry is an opportunity to express God’s love through a home-cooked meal. The season of Christmas is an especially difficult time for these families. They are displaced from their homes and other family members while also dealing with the illness of their child. We ask that you please pray for these families!

If you would like to assist with the meal, please contact Robin Farrell.

A carpool leaves Antioch at 2:30 p.m.

Meals are packaged and served no later than 5:30 p.m.

If you are new to Antioch and would like to get added to our e-mail list serve, please send your name and email address to admin@abccommunity.com, for updates, events, reminders, weekly prayer list, church & association news/opportunities.

To receive an electronic monthly newsletter

(separate email list) ~ submit request to admin@abccommunity.com

Coming Events!

Dec. 29th: Sunday Lunch noon

Jan. 1st: Church Office Closed

Jan. 1st: NO Wed. Night Services

Jan. 5th: Sunday Lunch noon

Jan. 5th: Awana resumes 4:00 p.m.

Jan. 5th: Youth Bible Study resumes 4:00 p.m.

Jan. 9th: Outreach Committee Mtg. 6:45 p.m.

Begin your Christmas Eve with fellowship, praise and worship.

Christmas Eve Meal

The meal will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall, for those that have made reservations to attend.

The Communion Service will follow at 7:00 p.m.

If you know someone that is spending Christmas Eve alone, please invite them to attend the communion service!

Lottie Moon International Christmas Offering 2024 Goal - \$3000.00

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® is an annual offering collected by Southern Baptists to support international missions.

100% of your gifts go directly to the missionaries in the field. Your generosity meets tangible needs!

Ways to give: By using the Lottie Moon specially marked envelopes in the pews and dropping them in the offering plate or online:

www.imb.org/generosity

Antioch offering collected to date:

\$1,345.00

Sunday Morning Prayer Rally:

Sunday's at 9:20 a.m.

Please join us for a time of prayer. Lifting up the needs and blessings here at Antioch and the surrounding community, as well as our nation, government and leaders.

Along with prayers for international peace.

Wednesday Night Supper

6:00 - 6:35 p.m.

No Services

Merry Christmas!

**Today
Dec. 22nd**



**Lisa Upchurch
Cindy Durham**

Children’s Church

**Carol Dawson
Karen Whitfield**

Nursery Guidelines

A parent or guardian is required to sign in each child and sign out the child every Sunday. One contact information sheet completed by the parent or guardian for each child must be on file. All information is located in the nursery. A nursery servant will assist you with any questions or needs. The safety and security of the children at Antioch is the number one priority of the Nursery Committee.