Let Us Worship the Lord Together!

Sunday, October 23, 2022 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements Moments of Meditation

The Law of the Lord Is Perfect, Reviving the Soul

Call to Worship

Scripture

Psalm 18.28-33

Worship Songs

"How Firm a Foundation" (Hymn 338)

"Standing on the Promises" (Hymn 335)

Morning Prayer

Prayer Response "You Are My Hiding Place"

In Keeping It, There Is Great Reward

Message in Music "I Want Jesus More Than Anything"

Sanctuary Choir

Song of Preparation "Speak, O Lord"

Message from the Word of God (see insert; pew Bible p. 996)

Response to God

Commitment of Life and Tithes and Offerings*

Meditation "Isn't He"

Curtis Powell, Piano

Benediction "Standing on the Promises" (chorus only)

* Offering and Communication Card Return:

Please place your offering and Communication Card in the basket or box located at the exits. You may also give and respond online through acbc.churchtrac.com. (Or use the QR code on back of Communication Card.)



For hearing aid users, we have a hearing loop installed in the Sanctuary. Activate the t-coil in your hearing aid to take advantage of this system.

Welcome to Ancient City Baptist Church! Guests, we are glad you are here! We invite you to join us briefly in Fellowship Hall immediately after worship for light refreshments and an opportunity to introduce ourselves! We also invite you to complete the Communication Card to the right and place it in the basket located at each exit as you leave the Sanctuary. Members and regular attenders, you are also encouraged to use the Communication Card for information updates, prayer requests, and other responses you may have.

"Pray for one another..."

(James 5.16)

Do you desire prayer for yourself or others? Someone will be happy to pray for you or with you following worship. Come to the front of the Sanctuary (near the organ) immediately after the service with your prayer requests. If you would prefer to have special prayer at another time or have a request placed on our Prayer List, please let us know through the Communication Card or by calling the church office.

IT'S HARD to BELLEVE

For many, faith in Jesus comes easily. It was natural to confess Jesus as Lord and Savior in response to the gentle conviction of the Spirit of God. Others, for a variety of reasons, find the whole idea of God or the Christian idea of salvation through Jesus *hard to believe*. Some may *want* to believe, but there are barriers that stand in their way. In this upcoming series, we will consider some frequent barriers to belief...

October 23 It's Hard to Believe... that the Bible is the Word of God
October 30 It's Hard to Believe... when so many bad things happen
November 6 It's Hard to Believe... in the face of scientific discovery
November 13 It's Hard to Believe... that Jesus is the only way to heaven
November 20 It's Hard to Believe... that God really cares about me

Missed messages can be accessed through our website.

Associate Pastor Wayne Husk is preaching today!

Today is the first message of our new Series – **It's Hard to Believe.** Pastor Wayne will preach today's sermon, and Pastor Fred will be leading in the following weeks.

☐ Confidential ☐ For published prayer list

COMMUNICATION CARD

Comments or Prayer Needs

Use QR Code to respond or to give online



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Name(s)
Address
City Zip
Home Phone
Cell Phone
Email
My Response Today I want to place my faith in Jesus Christ and receive his gift of life, abundant and eternal. I would like to learn more about what it means to follow Jesus I would like to be baptized. I would like to learn more about church membership. I would like information on Life Groups/Sunday School classes. Please add me to ACBC's email list. I would like to speak to a minister at a mutually convenient time. Other (please write on other side)
Guests We are glad you are here! Please complete this card and place it in the offering basket this morning. This is my □ 1st □ 2nd □ 3rd or more time at Ancient City Baptist Church. I was invited by Please indicate the number of people in your family in each age category: 65+ 55-64 45-54 30-44 18-29 Youth (Grade 7-12)
Children (Grade 1-6) Preschool

Sunday, October 23

9:40 a.m. Life Groups 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

Wednesday, October 26

6:30 p.m. Bible Study/Prayer Meeting Fellowship Hall or Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/211387999 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

The flowers on the altar today are given by Ann Myers in loving memory of her father, Philip



OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Operation Christmas Child: Samaritan's Purse has hosted this international missions effort since 1993 and delivered boxes to over 198 million children. Each year, the power of a simple Christmas gift is demonstrated as children around the world engage with the Gospel. Pick up a shoebox today, and the pamphlet will provide information about how to pack your box. Please return your filled box by Sunday, November 6.

Journey Bible Study for those of College Age: Meets each Monday night at 6 p.m. for a meal and Bible study at the home of Fred and Cindy Pitts, 262 Roaring Brook Dr. For more info, call Shawn Olmstead at 678-492-8883.

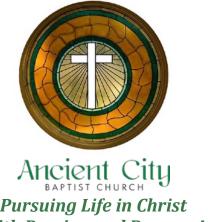
Fall Festival CANCELLATION: We regret that this year's Fall Festival, scheduled for Monday, October 31, has had to be canceled. Several issues arose in past weeks that made it difficult for us to carry out this significant event in a way that would make it the good gift to our community that it has always been. We look toward to a renewal of this annual event next season.

A Community Church: Churches exist today in all shapes and sizes, from the house church to the megachurch. While each has its place, God has called Ancient City to be a community church, a gathering where people can be known certainly by face and often by name, a church where a majority of the members live within the St. Augustine community, a church where you can get easily involved in Life Groups and ministries, a church where you can know the pastor and the pastor can know you. Most guests tell us that they really feel welcomed, that Ancient City people take the initiative in being friendly. We hope you feel right at home at Ancient City Baptist Church. Everyone needs a church, and we would love to become yours!

Ramblings is an email that our pastor sends out each week, and it is a good way to keep informed about what is happening week to week at Ancient City Baptist Church. If you would like to receive this email, use the Communication Card and request to be placed on our email list. (Be sure to include your email address!)

DEACONS OF THE WEEK: John Perry (904-829-2361) and Bob Blake (904-476-4100) **WELCOME CENTER HOSTS**: Corene Beery Dawn DuPont

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Pursuing Life in Christ with Passion and Purpose!



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Fred O. Pitts, Pastor Wayne Husk, Associate Pastor Curtis Powell, Music Director