

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: March 24th**  
**NURSERY:** Ann Phillippie, Cindy Durham  
**USHERS:** Tommy Cecil, James Parrott, Sammy Parrott, Josh Cecil  
**DEACON OF THE WEEK:** Mike Cherry

<u>Attendance 03/10/2024</u>	
Sunday School	60
Morning Worship	98
Awana	10
Youth Bible Study	(7)Youth /(3)Adults
Youth (03/13)	(-)Youth /(-)Adults
Missions Journey Kids	(4)Kids /(2)Adults

WEEKLY
<i><b>Sunday Morning Prayer Rally:</b> each Sunday at 9:20 a.m. in the Parlor</i>
<b>Sunday School</b> Classes meet at 9:45 a.m. before the 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service.

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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**

**A**dmit 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).

The result of sin is spiritual death (Romans 6:23). Spiritual death means eternal separation from God. By God's perfect standard we are guilty of sin and therefore subject to the punishment for sin, which is separation from God. 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**

**B**elieve 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**

**C**onfess 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.



Sunday, March 17, 2024

Antioch Baptist Church

**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.

I WANT TO KNOW

Christ

and experience the

mighty power

that raised him from the dead.

Philippians 3:10, NLT

OUR MISSION:

LOVE GOD. EXALT CHRIST. SEEK HIS WILL. SERVE HIS PURPOSE.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE		
March 17, 2024		
Preparation for Worship		
Video	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering	
Welcome and Announcements		Pastor Atwater
Call to Worship	“Behold the Lamb!”	Choir
*Hymn of Praise #512 v.1,4,5	“My Savior’s Love”	Congregation
Children’s Sermon		Carol Dawson
*Offertory Hymn #191 v.1&2 #188 v.1&2	“There Is Power in the Blood” “At the Cross”	Congregation
Offertory Prayer		Byron Tripp
Offering	Children’s Church Ages five through third grade, may exit to the Educational Building.	
Offertory Music	“There is a Fountain”	Sandi Brady/Ann Heatherley
Scripture Reading	Philippians 3:7-11	
Special Music	“Written in Red”	Debbie Bowden/Choir
Pastoral Prayer		Pastor Atwater
Message	“Finding Your Soul’s Desire.”	Pastor Atwater
*Hymn of Response #364 v.1&2	“My Jesus, I Love Thee”	Congregation
Benediction		Pastor Atwater
Departing to Serve		

\* Please Stand

Thoughts to Ponder

“How sweet all at once it was for me to be rid of those fruitless joys which I had once feared to lose and was now glad to reject! You drove them from me, You who are the true, the sovereign joy. You drove them from me and took their place, You who are sweeter than all pleasure, though not to flesh and blood, You who outshine all light yet are hidden deeper than any secret in our hearts, You who surpass all honor though not in the eyes of men who see all honor in themselves. At last my mind was free from the gnawing anxieties of ambition and gain, from wallowing in filth and scratching the itching sore of lust. I began to talk to you freely, O Lord my God, my Light, my Wealth, and my Salvation.” – Augustine

“We are programmed for failure if we’re looking for ultimate answers in a non-ultimate realm, a realm that’s partial, fragmented, incomplete. We end up worshiping the creation rather than the Creator. We can do that as believers. The total answer is a Person, Jesus Christ. It’s part of God’s program to make us dissatisfied with what the temporal realm offers, so that we might seek life in Him.” – Dan Stone

“When Christ gives you soul-rest, there is rest for your conscience because He removes its sin-caused guilt. His soul-rest also includes rest for your mind because He reveals Himself as the truth of God. He ministers rest for your heart since it no longer has to frantically search for a haven of rest. There is rest in Him for your fears since your soul is in His loving, omnipotent hands for all eternity. Christ also provides rest for your sense of purpose now that you have Him to worship, love, and serve.” – Donald S. Whitney

Deacon of the week: Byron Tripp

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

UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Today:

Sunday Lunch noon  
Awana 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.  
Youth Bible Study 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Monday

Deacons’ Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Bingo (Carlisle at Carrboro) 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday

Wed. Night Supper 6:00 p.m.  
*Reservations are required: Either by calling or emailing the church office Monday morning, or by filling out the form attached on your bulletin.*  
Youth Group 7:00 p.m.  
Missions Journey Kids 7:00 p.m.  
Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
Choir 8:00 p.m.

Thursday

NO Men’s Fraternity

Saturday

FREE Antioch Community Closet 8:00 a.m.

Following Morning Worship: Sunday Lunch  
Join us in the fellowship hall for a covered-dish lunch. These lunches are open to everyone! It is a fellowship opportunity to meet and mingle with the congregation. Anytime you are able and have no lunch plans ... make plans to bring a covered-dish, beverage etc. and stick around after morning worship at noon. Reach out to Judy Tripp or Lisa Upchurch with any questions. (we are planning to have lunch on Easter Sunday 03/31)

Awana Sponsored:

Easter Egg Hunt & Hotdog Supper  
Community Event ~ Open to All!  
Sunday, March 24th / 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
*(Bring Your Own Basket)*  
Come out with the kids, for lots of fun and laughter as they search for those hidden eggs. After the eggs are all gathered, families are invited to enjoy a hotdog supper on the grounds.

Donations of any type of candy for this event is greatly appreciated! Please place items in the kitchen “clearly” labeled Awana

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering  
2024 Offering Goal: \$3000.00  
The 2024 theme is MAKE JESUS KNOWN.  
ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF GIFTS given to the AAEO offering goes directly to the missionaries for their use in the field in North America and Canada.

Coming Events!

Mar. 24th: Special Easter Music 11:00 a.m.  
Mar. 24th: “Palm Sunday Luncheon” noon  
Mar. 24th: Awana sponsored: Egg Hunt 4:00 p.m.  
Mar. 28th: Ronald McDonald House Meal  
Mar. 29th: Youth “Friday Fun Night” 6:00 p.m.  
Mar. 31st: Sunrise Service & Continental Breakfast (regular morning worship at 11:00 a.m.) 7:00 a.m.  
Apr. 1st: Church Office Closed  
Apr. 7th: The Lord’s Supper

FREE Antioch Community Closet  
ACCEPTING DONATIONS thru 03/21 (Mon.-Fri.) / 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
*Gently Used: clothing & shoes (all sizes), household items, small furniture items, toys etc. ... NO BOOKS, please.*  
*\*collection site: Antioch Parlor\**  
The Community Closet is also collecting food / pantry items.  
Items needed: Toilet paper, boxed cereal, canned soup & boxes of crackers.  
*\*collection site: the pews located in the hallway behind the sanctuary\**  
EVENT DATE: March 23rd / 8:00 a.m. - noon

Special Easter Music & Luncheon: 03/24  
*Jordan & Sara Locke will be providing special music during the Morning Worship Service.*  
Jordan went to Wingate University in Wingate, NC and earned a Bachelor of Arts in Music, emphasis in Piano Performance. This is where he met his wife, Sara. *Jordan is the son of: Thomas & Marsha Crawford Locke.*  
*And grandson of: Foye Andrews Crawford.*  
The Palm Sunday Luncheon is being graciously hosted by Foye. Ham, BBQ and chicken are being provided. We ask that you join us with your favorite potluck dish, salads, rolls, deserts and beverages.  
*A time to celebrate Christ and His many gifts!*

Event registration - NOW AVAILABLE  
registration required by: 03/31  
Sign-up Book Location: Sanctuary (up front, by the piano)  
Saturday, April 13th: 9:00 a.m. - noon  
This is a mandatory training course for all adults working with our children.  
Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Training  
Darkness to Light’s: *Stewards of Children*

“Lost & Found” bin located in the basement copy room!

Wednesday Night Supper  
6:00 - 6:35 p.m.

Please sign up by indicating on this form the number of meals you will need and placing it in the offering plate today. You may also call or email the church office on Monday no later than 3:00 p.m.

Adults - \$5.00  
Ages 10 & under - \$3.00

Menu for 03/20/2024  
Chicken Fingers & Vegetables

How many meals?

Adults \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nursery Volunteers

Sunday March 17th

Pat Cecil  
Dawn Blake  
Children’s Church  
Pat Tayloe  
Kim Dunn

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 volunteer 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.