

## Welcome!

Happy Sabbath and thank you for joining us for worship today. Feel free to use this bulletin to help you find your way around, for a great Sabbath experience. If you need anything, please feel free to ask a greeter or church volunteer.

## This Week

Monday 13th - ACS Open  
Monday 13th - Faith Builders Bible Study  
Tuesday 14th - ACS & ARC Open  
Wednesday 15th - Prayer Meeting  
Thursday 16th - K-6 Christmas Concert at Pine Hills  
Sabbath 18th - Sabbath Services

## Looking Ahead

Dec. 20-31 - PHAA Christmas Break  
Jan 1 - Church New Year's Game Night Social

## Preaching Schedule

Dec. 18 - Pastor Mel Baga  
Dec. 25 - Pastor Mel Baga  
Jan. 1 - Pastor Mel Baga

## Scripture Focus for Today

"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near."

**Philippians 4:4-5**

## Our Purpose

Our church exists to sow in our community the love of Jesus inviting all to **give** our lives to him, **gather** at his feet, **grow** in community, and **glow** in witness and service.

## Values

We believe that **grace** changes lives.  
We believe that **community** nurtures growth  
We believe that **prayer** opens doors.  
We believe that **sacrifice** makes great things happen.  
We believe that **teamwork** gets the job done.  
We believe that **excellence** honors God.  
We believe that **compassion** reveals our heart.

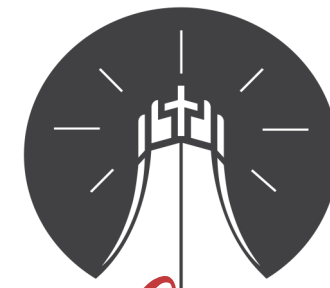
## Objectives

We want to build a culture of **evangelism**.  
We want to have a thriving **group life**.  
We want to inspire a life of **worship**.  
We want to encourage a life of **giving**.  
We want to become a **praying** church.  
We want to **equip** and empower our volunteers.  
We want to **protect** our house of prayer.  
We want to **serve** our community well.  
We want to **administer** our church life well.

## Church Staff

Lead Pastor	Mel Baga, DMin
Youth Pastor	Dana Rae De Tar
Director of Worship Renewal	Chris Genobaga, MD
Pastor's Asst. for Special Projects	Jim Brewster
Administrative Assistant	Scott Wallace

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Facebook Page: [facebook.com/auburnsdachurch](https://facebook.com/auburnsdachurch) | YouTube: [aubstda.org/youtube](https://aubstda.org/youtube)



# Auburn

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

December 11, 2021

## Worship Gathering

GIVE • GATHER • GROW • GLOW

11:15 a.m.

**Prelude** Pam Warda

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Praises** Brass Group

**Prayer** Chris Genobaga

**Mission Spotlight**

**Giving** Adventist Community Services (NAD)

**Children's Story** Gary Wareham

**Scripture Reader** Philippians 4:4

**Sermon** "A Philosophy of Joy" Pastor Mel Baga

**Response Song** "Joy to the World" Hymn #125

**Prayer** Pastor Mel Baga

**Postlude** Pam Warda

Live stream & video archive of services at [facebook.com/auburnsdachurch](https://facebook.com/auburnsdachurch)  
Sermon archive available at [aubstda.org/audio](https://aubstda.org/audio) or as a CD in the Resource Center  
Hearing assistance available at sound booth • Sunset today 4:42pm

## Announcements

### Loving Others as Ourselves.

We thank God for the down-surge in COVID-19 cases in Placer County presently. You may continue to wear a mask if you have a medical condition, are unvaccinated, or simply wanting to exercise caution for yourself and others. Thank you for your kind consideration.

### Fellowship Lunch Today.

We invite our guests and members to join us in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service for delicious vegetarian food and fellowship.

### Church Christmas Social & Vespers.

Everyone is invited tonight, Dec. 11 at 4:30pm as we are having a Church Christmas Party Social & Vespers. All are welcome to join for a time of worship and dinner then fun Christmas activities together. We'll sing carols, roast marshmallows, make gingerbread houses and much more! Please bring your favorite salad and candy decoration for the gingerbread houses.

### PHAA Christmas Concert.

The Pine Hills K-6 Christmas Concert is at the PHAA Gym on Thursday, Dec. 16. at 7pm. All are welcome to attend!

## Sabbath School 10 AM

**Lower Division.** Cradle Roll (ages 0-3), Kindergarten (age 4-2nd grade), Primary & Juniors (3rd-6th grade) Located in the Courtyard area.

**Youth.** Led out by Pastor Dana Rae. (7th grade and up) Meets in the Youth Room.

**Adult.** 1.) *The Chosen*, Led by Robinson Bende and Lisa Mamouelis. What does it mean to be chosen by God? Watch an episode about the life of Jesus then discuss. Meets in the Sanctuary, left side.

### Church New Year's Game Night Social.

Save the date for Jan 1, 2022 at 5:30pm as we are planning a fun game night to begin the new year! Bring your favorite game and salad toppings and we'll have a fun time together.

### Updated Church Print Directory.

Members and regular participants can get your copy of the updated print directory in the Resource Center.

### Do You Enjoy Telling Stories?

If you would like to tell a children story once or twice a quarter, please contact the church office and we would love to add you to our list to continue this ministry.

### Weekly Prayer Meeting.

Wednesday evenings at 7pm over the phone. Led out by Grace Ferolino. Please see the Wed or Thu eNewsletter for the call in info.

### Faith Builders Bible Study

Monday at 1pm in Fellowship Hall Room #2. Led out by Marilyn Herron. Please contact Marilyn for more info: (530) 820-3573.

## Sabbath School Continued

2) *Getting Ready to Go Home* - Led by Mike Wood. An exploration of what it means to be living a Spirit filled life in these last days as we prepare to meet Jesus and go to our heavenly home. \*Via telephone conference call only at 9:30am. Dial in: (425) 436-6384 Password: 60247365.

3) *A Conversation About the Scriptures* - Led by Jeff Pierson, Jim Brewster and Brian Toppel. Going through the book of Luke. Meets in Fellowship Hall Room 4 by the kitchen.

4) *Revelation* - Led by Virgil Starr. Trumpets, plagues, seals, are they historical or future? How can we tell? Virgil's class will be tackling some of Revelations deepest secrets. Meets in Adult Classroom 5 across from the kitchen.

## Community Outreach

### Adventist Community Services (ACS)

**This week.** Monday, 9am to Noon (services to the unsheltered) Tuesday, 9am to Noon (services to needy individuals and families). **Needs.** We are needing men's shirts in good condition in all sizes, blankets/sleeping bags, towels, men's jeans in all sizes and women jeans in sizes 1-4, men's coats, men's tennis shoes/work boots, backpacks and men's gloves. As well as volunteers on Monday & Tuesday mornings. **Services Provided.** (a) Clothing; (b) Diapers & baby wipes; (c) Kitchen items; (d) Linens; (e) Hygiene kits for unsheltered; (f) Hot showers on Mondays with towels and toiletries provided; (g) Hot lunches or sack lunches for unsheltered; (h) Food pantry, including USDA food and fresh produce from the garden/orchard during harvest season for family units with housing; (i) Access to computer for connecting with families, agencies, or making and submitting resumes/job applications. **Wish to volunteer?** Contact Pam Haddad,—haddad@wizwire.com, (530) 906-1676 or ACS (530) 823.0345

### Auburn Renewal Center (ARC)

**Open.** Tuesdays, 9am to 1pm **Services Provided.** Medical, vision, dental, chiropractic and counseling. Please call to make an appointment. **Wish to volunteer?** Volunteers needed to help run the front desk. Looking for nurses, medical doctors, physicians assistants or psychiatrists (retired or still in practice) to help fill in on Tuesday or a future Thursday. We'll find a day that's a good fit for you. Contact Steve Holm at: steveholm@goldrush.com, (916) 425-6766 or the ARC (530) 887-8673.

### Community Garden & Orchard

**Services Provided.** Harvests from our community garden and orchard are given to ACS clients. Excess harvest are shared with Interfaith Food Pantry, other families in need, and our church family. **Wish to volunteer?** If you would like to help in the garden or orchard please contact Mike Sutter—suttermd@gmail.com, (530) 632-5088 or Julie Magee (916) 955-2144

## Financial Update

As of December 4, 2021. Week 23. Thank you for your faithful giving.

	Church Family Budget	Student Assistance Fund
Budgeted	\$85,586.54	\$7,519.23
Received	\$69,024.63	\$6,831.04

### Other Church Funds

*Church Building Fund:* Goes towards needed infrastructure projects around the church (roofing, LED lighting, A/C, locks, etc.)

*Youth Pastor Fund:* Goes towards supporting youth ministries/youth pastor.

*Student Assistance Fund:* Goes towards helping families that need financial help to send their child to Pine Hills.

*ARC & ACS Funds:* Goes towards supporting the ministries of each.



Point your smartphone camera at the QR code above to give online.

### Giving Options

- During the worship service
- In the lobby
- By mail
- Adventist Giving app
- Online at aubsda.org/give

Tithe Year-to-Date: \$369,592.63  
(As of 10/31/21 - Updated Monthly)