

Welcome!

Happy Sabbath! Thank you for joining us for worship this Sabbath. 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 19th - ACS Open
Tuesday 20th - ACS & ARC Open
Wednesday 21st - Prayer Meeting 7pm
Sabbath 24th - Worship Services/
Christmas Pageant

Looking Ahead

Dec 19 - Jan 3 - PHAA Christmas Break
Dec 24 - Church Christmas Worship
Service Pageant
Dec 31 - High School New Year's Eve
Social
Jan 7 - Communion Sabbath

Preaching Schedule

Dec 24 - Pastor Mel Baga
Dec 31 - Pastor Adam Weeks
Jan 7 - Pastor Mel Baga

Scripture Focus for Today

"Understand this: If a homeowner knew exactly when a burglar was coming, he would keep watch and not permit his house to be broken into. You also must be ready all the time, for the Son of Man will come when least expected." **Matthew 24:43-44**

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
Youth Pastor
Treasurer
Administrative Assistant

Mel Baga, DMin
Adam Weeks, MA
Jim Brewster
Scott Wallace

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SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

December 17, 2022

Worship Gathering

10:45 AM

Prelude • Robinson Bende

Welcome

Praises • AcMoody's & Friends

Prayer • Virgil Starr

Giving • Church Family Budget

Children's Story • Gil Riojas

Special Music • Havilah Baga

Scripture Reading • Roman Weeks • Matthew 24:42-44

Message • Pastor Mel Baga "A Time to Watch"

Closing Song

Prayer • Pastor Mel Baga

Postlude • Havilah Baga

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

Announcements

This Week's Birthdays.

Happy birthday to the following: Jett Whitson Dec 18 and Viviana Weeks Dec 19. If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to let us know.

Membership Transfers.

Transfers Out: Second Reading: Joe and Julie Fralick to The Place Adventist Fellowship Church in Newbury Park, CA.

Youth Christmas Social.

Tonight Dec. 17 at 6:30pm in the Youth Room, Pastor Adam is planning a fun night for our youth. We'll have games, watch a Christmas movie, decorate gingerbread houses and more!

Next Sabbath.

On Dec. 24, we are having a special Christmas pageant worship service with participants of all ages. We'll celebrate the birth of our Savior with music and story. Sabbath School begins at 9:30am and the Worship Service at 10:45am.

Total Member Involvement: Share.

What you have to say is meaningful and your experience can help to shape the experience of others. Please take a few minutes to write or record a few words on how Pine Hills Adventist Academy has made a difference in your life and the life of your child. If you know of anyone who desires a quality Christian education, please contact the school office at (530) 885-9447.

Grief Tips From the Auburn Care Team

With the holidays, here are some holiday focused grief tips that might be helpful. Please remember that

friends or family who have experienced the death of a loved one this past year are facing their first holidays without them. Here are a few ways to let them know you care:

1. Send a thought-filled card
2. Drop by a batch of cookies or another favorite dish ~ just because you care.
3. Offer to rake leaves or clean up their yard after a windy storm.
5. Ask them about their thoughts or feelings of grief and then LISTEN.
6. Flowers are nice, but garden variety in a small vase sometimes are the best.

Write a Christmas Card to our Homebound Members.

In the lobby on the right side, we'll have some Christmas cards available for you to write an encouraging note to them as a reminder that they are loved by their Auburn Church family this Christmas season.

ACS & ARC Are Looking for Volunteers.

If you have a passion for helping out the community on Monday or Tuesday mornings, please contact ACS at (530) 823-0345 or the ARC at (530) 887-863.

2022 Tithe & Offering Receipt.

In order to have any tithes or offerings included in the 2022 offering receipts for your taxes or personal records it needs to be delivered to the church office on Dec. 29 by Noon. If you use online giving or if it's being mailed it needs to be postmarked by midnight on Dec. 31. Thank you for your faithful giving.

Sabbath School 9:30 AM

Lower Division. Cradle Roll (ages 0-3), Kindergarten (age 4-1st grade), Primary (2-4th grade), Juniors (5-7th grade) Located in the Courtyard area.

Youth. Led out by Pastor Adam Weeks. (8th grade and up) Meets in the Youth Room.

Adult Sabbath School

1.) **A Conversation About the Scriptures** - Led by Jeff Pierson & Brian Toppel. Exploring various chapters in 1 Corinthians. Meets in Fellowship Hall Room 1.

2) **Sanctuary Sabbath School Class** - Currently on pause until December 31.

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). **Current Needs.** Bedding (king/queen sized sheets), blankets, towels, men's jeans, men's and women's winter coats and waterproof gloves. Thank you for your continued support **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—gpammy82@gmail.com, (530) 906-1676 or ACS (530) 823.0345.

Auburn Renewal Center (ARC)

This week. Open on Tuesdays and some Thursdays from 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 James Maddox—(916) 500-8765 or Julie Magee (916) 955-2144

Financial Update

As of December 10, 2022. Our fiscal year ends Dec. 31, 2022.

	Budgeted	Received
Church Budget	\$91,384.62	\$74,994.10
Student Assistance	\$4,615.38	\$4,126.00
Youth Ministries	\$13,384.62	\$12,370.00

Church Funds

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

Youth Ministries Fund: Goes towards supporting Pastor Adam and the youth.

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: \$395,712.04
(As of 11/30/22 - Updated Monthly)