

## 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 5th - ACS Open  
Tuesday 6th - ACS & ARC Open  
Wednesday 7th - Prayer Meeting 7pm  
Sabbath 10th - Worship Services

## Looking Ahead

Dec 4 - Biscotti Baking Class  
Dec 9 - PHAA 7-12 Christmas Program at Auburn Church  
Dec 10 - Fellowship Lunch  
Dec 17 - Youth Christmas Social  
Dec 24 - Church Christmas Worship Service  
Dec 31 - New Year's Eve Church Social  
Jan 7 - Communion Sabbath

## Preaching Schedule

Dec 10 - Pastor Mel Baga  
Dec 17 - Pastor Mel Baga  
Dec 24 - Pastor Mel Baga

## Scripture Focus for Today

"You must not testify falsely against your neighbor."

**Exodus 20:16**

## 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 3, 2022

## Worship Gathering

10:45 AM

**Prelude** • Raina Jackson

**Welcome**

**Praises** • Martinez Family & Friends

**Prayer** • Jeff Pierson

**Giving** • Church Family Budget

**Children's Story** • Kendall Porco

**Scripture Reading** • Viviana Weeks • Exodus 20:16

**Message** • Pastor Mel Baga "Grace for Truthful Talk"

10th sermon, *Cascading Grace: The Ten Commandments as Grace for Relationships* series

**Closing Song**

**Prayer** • Pastor Mel Baga

**Postlude** • Raina Jackson

Live stream & video archive of services at [facebook.com/auburnsdachurch](https://facebook.com/auburnsdachurch)  
Sermon archive available at [aubstda.org/audio](http://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: Nicole Toppel Dec 03, Donald Wallace Dec 05, Joanne Pierson Dec 07, Barbara Bende Dec 09, Milton Kindrick Dec 09, Tim Excell Dec 09. If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to let us know.

### Sermon Series Continues Today.

*Cascading Grace: The Ten Commandments as Grace for Relationships* series continues today.

### Biscotti Baking Class Led by Susan.

Learn how to make biscotti for you, your family, or for giving to friends. It's a simple recipe that can be used with many variations and a great Christmas gift idea. Bring your mixer if you can, your smile, and \$5. We will provide everything else. Please RSVP at 530.368.2994 or talk to Susan Excell. Meets on Sunday, Dec. 4 from 10am-1pm in the Fellowship Hall.

### Fellowship Lunch Next Sabbath.

Please bring your favorite vegetarian dish to share for potluck. All members and guests are welcome to join.

### Total Member Involvement: Connect.

The best referrals come from people just like you! Please connect any families interested in enrolling their child at Pine Hills Adventist Academy directly with our principal. We would be happy to sit down and discuss educational opportunities. If interested in sending your child to PHAA, please contact the school office at (530) 885-9447.

### Save the Dates.

On Friday, Dec. 9 at 7pm, Pine Hills Grades 7-12 is having a Christmas program here at the Auburn Church that evening. You don't want to miss a night of wonderful music!

On Dec. 24, we are having a special Christmas themed worship service with participants of all ages. We'll celebrate the birth of our Savior with music and story.

On Dec. 31, we are planning on having an all church New Year's Eve Social that evening. More details to come in the future.

### 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.

### 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.

## 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** - Join as we watch a video and then discuss afterwards together. Current video series: Patterns of Evidence: Exodus. Led out by Robinson Bende and Lisa Ojeda. Meets in the Sanctuary, left side.

## 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 November 26, 2022. Week 22. Thank you for your faithful giving.

	Budgeted	Received
Church Budget	\$83,769.23	\$64,364.10
Student Assistance	\$4,230.77	\$4,028.00
Youth Ministries	\$12,269.23	\$12,255.00

### 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: \$358,294.62  
(As of 10/31/22 - Updated Monthly)