

## Welcome!

Happy Sabbath! 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 25th - ACS Open  
Tuesday 26th - ACS & ARC Open  
Sabbath 30th - Prayer Mtg 9am/  
Sabbath School & Worship Service

## Looking Ahead

Oct. 7 - Communion Sabbath/Peter Van Auken Memorial at 2:30pm  
Oct. 6-8 & 13-15 - Christian Women's Retreat at Leoni Meadows  
Oct. 14 - Fellowship Lunch  
Oct. 20-22 - Jr/Sr Retreat at Leoni

## Preaching Schedule

Sept. 30 - Pastor Mel Baga  
Oct. 7 - Pastor Mel Baga  
Oct. 14 - Pastor Mel Baga

## Scripture Focus for Today

"Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability." **Acts 2:3-4**

## Our Mission

*Our reason for existence*

We are here to make disciples of everyone including ourselves until Jesus returns.

"Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20)

## Our Discipleship Process

*Our roadmap for transformation*

### *We Worship*

"You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength." (Mark 12:30)

"Fear God... Give glory to him... Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea, and all the springs of water." (Revelation 14:9)

### *We Connect*

"Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other." (Romans 12:10)

"The second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' No other commandment is greater than these." (Mark 12:31)

### *We Serve*

"God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another." (1 Peter 4:10)

"We serve God whether people honor us or despise us, whether they slander us or praise us." (2 Corinthians 6:8)

## Church Staff

Lead Pastor  
Youth Pastor  
Treasurer  
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Mel Baga, DMin  
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# Auburn

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

September 23, 2023

## Worship Gathering

10:45 AM

**Prelude** · PHAA Brass

**Welcome**

**Praises** · PHAA Choralaires & Friends

**Prayer** · Virgil Starr

**Giving** · Local Conference Advance

**Children's Story** · Gary Wareham

**Special Music** · *Elijah Rock* · PHAA Choralaires

**Scripture Reading** · Acts 2:1-4, 37-42

**Message** · Pastor Mel Baga "Firefall" (Acts 2)

**In Honor of Fralicks** · PHAA Choralaires

**Prayer** · Pastor Mel Baga

**Postlude** · Cora Clark

Live stream & video archive of services on our church Facebook and YouTube pages

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 7:02pm

## Announcements

### This Week's Birthdays.

Happy birthday to the following: Ivanette Osborn Sep 24 & Mike Wood Sep 29. If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to let us know.

### Thank You to Patsy.

We will be saying thank you to her during the worship service for all the many years of service at the Auburn Church. She will be moving to Idaho next week and we wish her the very best in this next chapter of her and Jonalyn's life.

### Current Sermon Series.

The *ACTS to the Future: The 1923 Project* sermon series continues this Sabbath. The series will take us chapter by chapter through the Book of Acts.

### Fellowship Lunch Today.

We invite all our guests, musicians, families and members to join us in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service for a spaghetti themed potluck and fellowship.

### Christian Women's Retreat.

The annual Christian Women's Retreat at Leoni Meadows is on Oct. 6-8 & Oct. 13-15. All women are invited for a wonderful weekend with great music, inspiring speakers and fellowship with one another. If you missed the deadline, it is still not too late to register. For more info and to register, please see Rhonda Rajaofera or the bulletin board for more details.

### Give a Gift of Time -Volunteer.

GOD IS CALLING YOU to be a missionary in Auburn, CA. You can serve HIM by ministering to HIS children. Be a Pine Hills Adventist Academy Volunteer! We are in need of YOUR gifts, time, and talents. Men and women, grandparents, young adults with a will-

ing spirit to make a difference in a child's life are welcome. Your mission opportunity is here! For more info on ways to help out, please contact the PHAA school office at (530) 885-9447.

### Prayer Meeting on Sabbath Morning.

All are welcome to join for a time of prayer on Sabbath mornings together in the courtyard from 9-9:20am. For more info, please contact Grace Ferolino.

### Celebration of Life Service for Justin.

Justin Fralick suddenly passed away on Sept. 14 at the age of 20. The Pine Hills school family, the staff that taught him, those who worked with Joe and his wife Julie, and all his friends are heart-broken. Please keep the Fralicks in your prayers during such a difficult time. The school will be having a service to celebrate the life of Justin next Sabbath, Sept. 30 at 6:30pm at the PHAA Gym. All who knew Justin are welcome to attend and share your memories.

### Peter Van Auken Memorial Service.

A service for Peter Van Auken (a long-time psychiatrist at the ARC) will be on October 7 at 2:30pm here at church.

### Franz Spycher Memorial Update.

His family has decided to have the memorial service in Portland.

### Not Just For Kids Classes Update.

The classes are currently on pause until November. We look forward to starting up again then for more fun classes for all ages. If you would like to teach a class, please contact Susan Excell for more info.

### Church Sermon Podcast Available.

Missed a sermon or want to hear it again? Simply search "Auburn SDA Church" on your favorite podcast service or online at [aubsda.org/audio](http://aubsda.org/audio).

## 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 Youth Pastor Adam Weeks. (8th grade and up) Meets in the Youth Room across the Sanctuary.

### Adult Sabbath School

1.) **A Conversation About the Scriptures** - Led by Jeff Pierson & Brian Toppel. Exploring Genesis 1-11. Meets in Fellowship Hall Room 1.

2) **Revelation: A Letter To A Waiting Bride** - Join as we take a deeper dive into Revelation. Led out by Virgil Starr. Meets in the Sanctuary, left side.

\* **Video Sabbath School Class** - On pause until next Sabbath, September 30 as they start a new video series.

## Community Outreach

### Adventist Community Services (ACS)

**This week.** Monday, 9am to Noon (services to the unsheltered) Tuesday, 9am to Noon (services to individuals and families). **Current Needs.** Egg cartons of all kinds, Bedding (king/queen sized sheets), blankets, towels, men's jeans, backpacks, summer clothes and men's shoes. Thank you for your continued support **Services Provided.** Clothing; Diapers & baby wipes; Kitchen items; Linens; Hygiene kits for unsheltered; Hot showers on Mondays with towels and toiletries provided; Hot lunches or sack lunches for unsheltered; Food pantry, including USDA food and fresh produce from the garden/orchard during harvest season for family units with housing; Access to computer for connecting with families, agencies, or making and submitting resumes/job applications. **Wish to volunteer?** Please contact ACS (530) 823.0345 or Pam Haddad—[gpammy82@gmail.com](mailto:gpammy82@gmail.com), (530) 906-1676.

### Auburn Renewal Center (ARC)

**This week.** Open on Tuesdays from 9am-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](mailto: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 Pam Haddad.

## Financial Update

As of September 15, 2023. Week 36. Thank you for your faithful giving.

	Budgeted	Received
Church Budget	\$137,213.08	\$126,022.31
Student Assistance	\$7,538.47	\$8,875.64
Youth Ministries	\$27,413.58	\$24,949.00

### 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 vital 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 or church office hours
- Adventist Giving app
- Online at [aubsda.org/give](http://aubsda.org/give)

Tithe Year-to-Date: \$326,363.57  
(As of 8/31/23 - Updated Monthly)