

## 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

Sunday 9th - Daylight Saving Begins  
Monday 10th - ACS Open  
Tuesday 11th - ACS & ARC Open  
Thursday 13th - Business Meeting  
Sabbath 15th - Sabbath School & Worship Service

## Looking Ahead

March 13 - Church Business Meeting  
March 15-31-PHAA Spring Break  
March 21-23 - NCC Prayer Retreat at Leoni Meadows  
April 5 - Communion Sabbath  
April 11-13-Weekend to Remember  
Marriage Retreat in Lake Tahoe (All sold out)  
April 19 - Easter Sabbath

## Preaching Schedule

March 15 - Pastor Mel Baga  
Mar 22 - Pastor Jon Cicle  
March 29 - Pastor Mel Baga

## Scripture Focus for Today

"After sending them home, he went up into the hills by himself to pray. Night fell while he was there alone." **Matthew 14:23**

## Our Mission

*Our reason for existence*

We are a church that makes disciples who make disciples 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  
Administrative Assistant

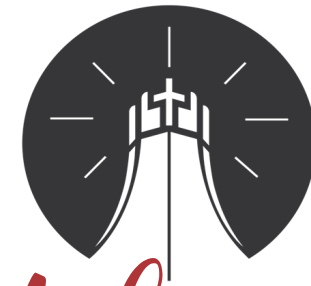
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Church office is closed this week. We reopen on Tuesday, March 18.

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# Auburn

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

March 8, 2025

## Worship Gathering

10:45 AM

**Prelude** · Raina Jackson

**Welcome**

**Praises** · Bethany Riojas & Kids

**Prayer** · Grace Ferolino

**Giving** · Adventist World Radio

**Children's Story** · Gary Wareham

**Message** · Pastor Mel Baga "Immersive Prayer and Decisive Action"  
Matthew 14:23

**Closing Song** · Praise Team

**Closing Prayer** · Pastor Mel Baga

**Postlude** · Raina Jackson

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 6:04pm

Announcements

Upcoming Birthdays.

Happy birthday to the following: Louis Cuccia Mar 09, Peter Hollister Mar 09, Cassie Crane Mar 11 & Julia Riojas Mar 12. If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to let us know.

2025 Church Volunteers. Second Reading.

Please look for the Nominating Committee’s second reading of the 2025-2026 Church Volunteer list available in the lobby. If you see any corrections that need to be made, please let the church office know. Thank you for being a part of the Auburn Church family and sharing your talents and abilities. Any new Children’s Sabbath School teachers will need to be live scanned/online training before they can begin.

Current Sermon Series.

Pastor Mel continues today in the “How to BLESS Our Neighbors” sermon series featuring simple and practical ways to reflect Christ’s love. Discover how everyday actions can become powerful opportunities to bless your neighbors and help lead them to Jesus.

Fellowship Potluck Today.

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

Fallen Leaf Campout Reservations.

This year’s church campout at Fallen Leaf Campground will be on September 5-7, 2025. Campsites are all full in the ones we were going for, but there are still campsites open in other parts of the campground. The cost is \$47 per night. Please contact Susan Excell at (530) 368-2994 if you have any questions and to let her know what campsite you got. We look forward to fellowshiping and worshipping together in the beautiful outdoors as a church. You can also come up for the day on Sabbath too (there will be no services at Auburn that day).

Pastor’s Bible Study Class.

Feeling led to become a Christian? Wanting to deepen your faith and apply it in fresh, meaningful ways? Theology

for Life is designed for seekers and believers alike—offering a clear, practical understanding of the Christian faith that transforms heart, and mind and life. Join us in the pastor’s study by the lobby towards the offices on Sabbaths, 9:30 AM. All are welcome to join!

Church Business Meeting.

All members and regular participants are invited to join on Thursday, March 13 at 7pm at the church as we discuss various church topics and updates related to the ministry reorganization structure. Your thoughts and input is appreciated.

Christ-Like Teachers.

At Pine Hills Adventist Academy, dedicated teachers are central to student success, viewing their work as ministry and offering personalized, high-quality instruction. With small class sizes, our certified teachers build strong partnerships with parents, ensuring students excel. Interested in learning more? Contact the school office at (530) 885-9447 or at phaaonline.com.

Sunday Morning Prayer Meetings.

Grace Ferolino is leading out in a virtual prayer meeting over Zoom on Sunday mornings, from 7-8am. Meeting ID: 815 6793 7235 Passcode: 420290. All are welcome to begin the start of a new week in prayer together.

Christian Men’s Retreat 2025.

Join men of faith from all over California and beyond for a weekend of fellowship and renewal at the beautiful Leoni Meadows on May 2-4. For more info and to register please see the bulletin insert, bulletin board poster, contact Steve Nicola or visit leonimeadows.org.

Limited Office Hours.

Due to Scott being gone on the Navajo Mission Trip with SWAU, there will be limited office hours from March 5-17. Regular hours resume on March 18. Please email the office if you need anything.

Daylight Saving Time Begins.

Don’t forget to set your manual clocks ahead one hour before you sleep tonight.

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. Currently going through the Book of Mark. Meets in Fellowship Hall Room 1.

2.) **Adult Sabbath School Quarterly** - Led by Robinson Bende. This quarter’s topic: God’s Love and Justice. Meets in the Sanctuary, right side. Quarterlies available online through the “Sabbath School & PM” app on Android and iPhone.

3) **Theology for Life** - Led out by Pastor Mel Baga. Informative discussions on what and why we believe in Christianity. Meets in the Pastor’s Office by the lobby area.

Community Outreach

Adventist Community Services (ACS)

**This week.** Monday, 9am to Noon (hot showers and lunch for the unsheltered) Tuesday, 9am to Noon (services to needy individuals and families with food and clothing). **Current Needs.** Egg cartons of all kinds, diapers (size 2,3,4 & newborn), baby wipes, all sizes of bed liners, towels, men’s jeans and shoes, backpacks, blankets, coats and winter clothing. Thank you for your continued support. **Services Provided.** Hot showers on Mondays with towels and toiletries provided; Hot lunches or sack lunches for unsheltered; Clothing closet, 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 Had-dad—gpammy82@gmail.com, (530) 906-1676.

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. Contact ACS to help volunteer. We are currently looking for a leader to help.

Auburn Renewal Center (ARC)

**This week.** Tuesday, 9am-1pm. **Services Provided.** Medical, vision, dental, chiropractic, counseling & now acupuncture/natural healing with Western and Eastern Medicine. Please call to make an appointment. Free flu shots available; walk-ins welcome. **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.

Auburn Care Team (ACT)

The Auburn Care Team is here to support you or people you know who are living through loss. We make connections through gift baskets, cards, invitations for meals, and phone calls. We also organize additional resources to help with house cleaning, yard work, and meals. There are many more ways to support a grieving friend or member. Therefore our resource list needs to expand as we learn that you are interested in helping. If you would like to be on our resource list to come alongside someone who needs assistance, please call Steve Nicola at (530) 249-8409.

Financial Update

As of March 1, 2025. Week 9. Thank you for your faithful giving.

	Budgeted	Received
Church Budget	\$36,832.50	\$37,111.68
Student Assistance	\$5,261.54	\$1,422.00
Youth Ministries	\$7,788.46	\$6,853.00

Church Funds

*Church Building Fund:* Goes towards needed infrastructure projects around the church (Roofing, gutters, doors, 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 Academy.

*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

Tithe Year-to-Date: \$23,740  
(As of 1/31/25 - Updated Monthly)