

Welcome!

Happy Sabbath! A special welcome to all our guests. We're so glad you're here. Be sure to check our upcoming church events listed below.

This Week

Sunday 19th - Bethlehem Workshop
Monday 20th - ACS Open/Church Office Closed
Tuesday 21st - ACS & ARC Open
Sabbath 25th - Sabbath School & Worship Service/Movie Night Social

Looking Ahead

Oct 19 - Bethlehem Market Mini Workshops
Oct 23 - PHAA Constituency Mtg.
Oct 25 - Broadside of a Barn Social at the Porco's
Oct 26 - PHAA Fall Festival
Oct 31 - Joint Youth Vespers with Gracypoint at Standish Home
Nov 15 - Jr. High Choir at Auburn Church
Dec 21 - Bethlehem Market

Preaching Schedule

Oct 25 - Pastor Mel Baga
Nov 1 - Pastor Adam Weeks
Nov 8 - Pastor Mel Baga

Scripture Focus for Today

"Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing." **John 15:5**

Our Mission

Our reason for existence

To connect people to abundant life in Jesus Christ and prepare them for His Second Coming.

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." (John 10:10)

"Look, I am coming soon! Blessed are those who obey the words of prophecy written in this book. Then he instructed me, "Do not seal up the prophetic words in this book, for the time is near." (Revelation 22:7 & 10)

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	Mel Baga, DMin
Youth Pastor	Adam Weeks, MA
Treasurer	Jim Brewster
Administrative Assistant	Scott Wallace

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SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

October 18, 2025

Worship Gathering

10:45 AM

Prelude · Sharon Kharns

Welcome

Praises · Jenell Wareham & Friends

Prayer · Jeff Pierson

Giving · Church Family Budget

Children's Story · Steve Nicola

Special Music · Art & Sharon Kharns

Message · Pastor Mel Baga "Pitcher-Cup-Saucer-Plate" John 15:4-5

Closing Song · Praise Team

Closing Prayer · Pastor Mel Baga

Postlude · Sharon Kharns

Live stream & video archive of services on our church Facebook and YouTube pages
Sermon archive available at aubstda.org/audio or as a CD in the Resource Center
Hearing assistance available at sound booth • Sunset today 6:22 pm

Announcements

Upcoming Birthdays.

Happy birthday to the following: Cami Reese Oct 20, Norman Henderson Oct 22, Kaiden Murillo Oct 23 & Isabella Toppel Oct 24. If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to let us know.

Sermon Series Continues.

Pastor Mel's fall series, River Flow, continues this Sabbath. Discover how living in God's river leads us into worship, deep connection, and joyful service-so His life can flow through us to bless the world.

Small Group Devotional and Study Guide.

Today's sermon comes with a companion devotional and study guide! Use it in your family time or small group to dive deeper into God's Word and grow together. Grab your copy today-let's grow in Christ as one church family!

Next Bethlehem Market Mini Workshop.

The next workshop is tomorrow, October 19 from 10am - 1pm. We'll be working on an assortment of things to help prepare for the Bethlehem Market in December. All are welcome to come and join the fun. We are also looking for about \$20 worth of pennies if you have any to donate. We expect a larger crowd this year and planning a bigger market. Contact Susan Excell at (530) 368-2994 if able to help. Chelsea Mensink is also looking for people interested in learning a traditional Jewish circle dance for the Bethlehem Market this year. Please contact Chelsea if interested.

Be a Blessing Where You Are!

Pick up your BLESS brochure and bookmark in the lobby today on the credenza table. They're simple tools to help you love your neighbors through prayer, connection, and everyday kindness. Let's keep being a blessing right where we are!

Joint Youth Vespers with Gracepoint.

On Friday, October 31 from 5-8:30pm, all youth in grades 8th-12th are invited for an evening together of hot dogs, smores, backyard games and worship at the Standish Home (2560 Sunnydale Ln. Penryn.) Parents, please drop off your child at 5pm and pick them up around 8:30pm. Please bring camp chairs. Thank you!

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.

Broadside of a Barn Church Social.

Our annual fall church social will be a fun outdoor movie night at the Porco Home in Lincoln on Saturday Night, October 25 at 6pm. Please mark your calendars and bring a chair and a jacket/blanket for a fun evening together watching a family movie. Snacks and Mrs. Porco's famous cinnamon rolls will be provided.

Thriving in Christian Education.

Pine Hills Adventist Academy offers a safe environment for children to grow and thrive. Christian teachers who respect and value their students which builds self-esteem. Students grow up together, moving together from grade to grade, providing them with the feeling of belonging and acceptance. Small class sizes enable teachers to get to know their students well and build on their strengths and improve weaknesses. Students develop inclusive values of the Gospel. To find out more for your child or grandchild come visit or contact the PHAA school office at (530) 885-9447 or visit their website at phaaonline.com.

PHAA Constituency Session.

All church members are invited to the annual Pine Hills Constituency Session on Thursday, October 23 from 6:30-7:30pm. This is a great time to hear various updates from the school. See bulletin insert.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month.

Let's remember to thank and appreciate both Pastor Mel and Pastor Adam for all the many things they do for the Auburn Church. If you would like to help contribute towards the gifts we've been giving them and their families throughout the month, please designate "Pastoral Gift Fund" in a tithe envelope or through online giving. Supporting and keeping them in your prayers is always appreciated throughout the year.

Church Office Closed on Monday.

Due to scheduling, the church office is closed on Monday, Oct. 20. We will resume normal hours on Tuesday. If you need anything, feel free to send us an email.

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. Meets in the Youth Room across the Sanctuary (8th grade and up).

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 Rob Bende. This quarter's topic: Lessons of Faith From Joshua. Meets in the Sanctuary, right side. Quarterlies available in the lobby or 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)

Fall Food Drive from Oct. 15-27!

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), king and queen sized sheet sets, towels, men's jeans and shoes, backpacks and blankets of all sizes. 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 Haddad—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 cur-

rently looking for a leader to help.

Auburn Renewal Center (ARC)

This week. Tuesday, 9am-1pm. **Services Provided.** Medical, vision, dental, counseling & now acupuncture/natural healing with Western and Eastern Medicine. 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.

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 Oct 15, 2025. Week 43. Thank you for your faithful giving.

	Budgeted	Received
Church Budget	\$167,792.50	\$154,919.52
Student Assistance	\$22,700.00	\$19,393.50
Youth Ministries	\$35,480.77	\$33,502.56

Other Church Funds

Church Building Fund: Goes towards needed infrastructure projects around the church (New A/C Units, new Youth roof, plugs and light switches, 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: \$357,872.53
(As of 9/30/25 - Updated Monthly)