

# Community Newsletter



## Auburn

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

November, 2025

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# Christian Women's Retreat ~ 2025



Rhonda, Janice, Sandie, Grace and others attended the early October 3-5 Session of the Women's Retreat at Leoni Meadows. Karen and Joanne led out in presentations as well. See Page 3 to see what Rhonda shared on her experience attending this year's retreat. More photos on the back page as well.

# INSPIRATION CORNER

Many Ways to Worship Him

God wants us to kneel,  
and worship Him.  
That's fine if we feel,  
humble and needy.

We may worship Him too,  
in other ways as well.  
It may be a song sung true,  
of praise for Your blessings.

It may be out in nature  
In a field of wildflowers  
more enjoyable for sure  
than in a crowded pew,

It may be a poem penned,  
that glorifies His name.  
It may be telling a friend,  
why you believe in Him.

There are many ways to worship,  
His glorious name and self.  
One way is one person's trip  
another spans the chasm as well.

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## Upcoming Events

**Nov 8** - Sharing Jesus Pentecost Gospel Night at Carmichael

**Nov 15** - Jr. High Choir at Auburn Church/NCC Ending Homelessness Summit at Antioch SDA Church

**Nov 27** - Happy Thanksgiving

**Dec 21** - Bethlehem Market

## Church Birthdays

Elovie Mensink .....Nov 02  
Ema Ludwig.....Nov 03  
Evangeline Wetherbee.....Nov 04  
Mitchell Sim.....Nov 05  
Rose Kaster.....Nov 05  
Daulton Teff.....Nov 06  
Cary Allington.....Nov 07  
Janet Kahler.....Nov 07  
Cash Galicia.....Nov 08  
Brad Ludwig.....Nov 11  
Janie Evazkhani.....Nov 11  
Zachary Allington.....Nov 13  
Hope Sekulic.....Nov 14  
Rhonda Rajaofera.....Nov 16  
Jim Ferolino.....Nov 17  
Jonathan Crane.....Nov 17  
Deborah Price.....Nov 20  
Ava Brown .....Nov 21  
Phil Evazkhani.....Nov 25  
Sydney Fanselau .....Nov 26

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### Sermon

### Agenda



**Nov 1: Pastor Adam**

**Nov 8: Pastor Mel**

**Nov 15: Pastor Mel**

**Nov 22: Pastor Mel**

**Nov 29: Pastor Mel**



### Prolonged Grief Disorder

PGD can be manifest in many ways:

- Feeling locked in, detached from life.
- Unable to enjoy old friends or family,
- Unable to view pictures of lost one,
- Out of body experience of your loss.

If any of these occur, seek help—for instance, -Columbia University Center for Prolonged Grief, New York

# Bethlehem Market

## Auburn SDA's Living History Experience

**Who can participate?** You & the Auburn Community.

**The Community** can roam the market, "purchase" food and keepsakes, observe workers, participate in hands-on activities, crafts, pet and feed small animals, and meet workers in booths and in the courtyard.

**Your** participation is what makes the event real and meaningful. You can work a booth, play a character, tell a story, sing a song, dance, prepare merchandise, build a set, and /or prepare food.

If you have a skill you think is appropriate for the time or you would like to display something please talk to Susan Excell or Chelsea Mensink. This is a new and exciting outreach and gift to our community during the Christmas season. Please talk it up and invite friends and neighbors.

**Sun Dec 21, 2025—12:30—4:30 PM**



# Christian Women's Retreat

By Rhonda Rajaofera

Women's retreat at Leoni Meadows was fantastic this year! Friday afternoon was spent in fellowship at Rhonda's campsite for lunch, followed later by a song and praise session in the camper that was 4 ladies singing their hearts out to the Lord while Rhonda played guitar. Such an awesome and intimate praise time. The guest speaker was thought provoking and inspiring as she made the story of Jephthah's daughter in Judges chapter 11 come alive and bring relevance to our daily living. The praise music was joyful and powerful and what can I say about the food? It is always incredible!

Joanne Pierson did an amazing job at teaching us how to put on a Sabbath afternoon tea and Karen Nicola arranged a prayer garden that was relaxing, reflective and a way to spend intimate time with God.

The ride home with Rhonda, Sandee, Janice and Grace was filled with singing and reflecting on our weekend together. Rhonda had a camp book in the truck and many of the songs were sung, and with such vigor : )

We are so blessed to have this opportunity once a year to fellowship with so many lovely, like-minded sisters in Christ. The time is short, but the quality time spent together praising and loving on Jesus and letting Him love on us is truly refreshing to our entire beings.



# More Women's Retreat Photos



**Orangevale Girls Chorus**

**October is Pastor Appreciation Month**

