

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 7th - Bethlehem Workshop
Monday 8th - ACS Open
Tuesday 9th - ACS & ARC Open/
Bethlehem Workshop
Friday 12th - PHAA 7-12 Concert
Sabbath 13th - Sabbath School &
Worship Service/Fellowship Potluck

Looking Ahead

Dec 7 & 9 - Bethlehem Workshop
Dec 12 - PHAA 7-12 Christmas Concert
Dec 13 - December Potluck Lunch
Dec 20 - Christmas Sabbath & Church
Breakfast Potluck
Dec 21 - Bethlehem Market
Jan 3 - Communion Sabbath

Preaching Schedule

Dec 13 - Pastor Mel Baga
Dec 20 - Pastor Mel Baga
Dec 27 - Pastor Mel Baga

Scripture Focus for Today

"I hate, I despise your feasts,
and I take no delight in your
solemn assemblies."

Amos 5:21

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
Youth Pastor
Treasurer
Administrative Assistant

Mel Baga, DMin
Adam Weeks, MA
Jim Brewster
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SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

December 6, 2025

Worship Gathering

10:45 AM

Prelude · Raina Jackson

Welcome

Praises · Praise Team

Prayer · Dave Krussow

Giving · Church Family Budget

Children's Story · Dave Krussow

Message · Pastor Mel Baga "Let Justice Be the Feast"

Amos 5:21-24

(Silhouettes of Hope: Christmas through the Eyes of the Minor Prophets Series)

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 or as a CD in the Resource Center
Hearing assistance available at sound booth • Sunset today 4:42 pm

Announcements

Upcoming Birthdays.

Happy birthday to the following: Joanne Pierson Dec 07, Barbara Bende Dec 09 & Tim Excell Dec 09. If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to let us know.

New Sermon Series. Silhouettes of Hope: Christmas through the Eyes of the Minor Prophets

Some truths of Christmas come not in full light but in outline—shadows cast long before Bethlehem, shaping hope in a darkened world. This Advent, we'll explore how the Minor Prophets first saw Christmas in silhouette. Come see how these ancient shadows still point us to the Light—and lead us again into the wonder of Christmas.

Small Group Devotional and Study Guide.

Today's sermon comes with a companion devotional and study guide in your bulletin! 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!

Fellowship Lunch Next Sabbath.

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

Next Bethlehem Market Workshop.

The next workshop is on Sunday, Dec. 7 from 10am-1pm and Tuesday, Dec. 9 starting at 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 expect a larger crowd this year and planning a bigger market. Contact Susan Excell at (530) 368-2994 if able to help. We're also looking for various items and props to borrow for the Market, please see the bulletin insert for the full list. Thank you!

Bethlehem Market Event.

Our Christmas event for the year is coming up on December 21 from 12:30-4:30pm. This is a free event, open to the community. Feel free to invite your friends, neighbors and coworkers to experience a living Bethlehem Market during

the time of Jesus' birth. We'll have food, shops, crafts, music and live animals! Flyers are available in the lobby to give away. If you are available to help in any way, please contact Susan Excell.

Bethlehem Market Choral Reading.

If you would like to participate in a unique Choral Reading of Jesus' birth story for Bethlehem Market, please see Karen Nicola (530) 260-3618 to volunteer for this very powerful rendition of the Christmas story that will be performed in the sanctuary during Bethlehem Market. Male voices are needed. Upcoming practices: Dec. 6 for 30 minutes after church and Dec. 7 (10-11am) and 17 (6:30-7:30pm)

Membership Transfers Out. First Reading.

Brian & Elizabeth McBride to the Paradise SDA Church. Wanda Culp to Foresthill SDA Company. Jan Kahler to Carmichael SDA Church. Victor Ibarra to Sunnyvale SDA Church. Jamie Nelson to Loma Linda University SDA Church.

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.

Total Member Involvement = Share.

Please share our school with others! Word of mouth is the best referral. Follow us on social media, LIKE our content and Share our posts within your circles of influence. We always appreciate a positive review. If you know of anyone who desires a quality Christian education, please contact the PHAA school office at (530) 885-9447 or visit their website at phaaonline.com.

PHAA 7-12 Christmas Concert.

All are welcome to attend an evening of wonderful music by our talented 7-12th grade students at Pine Hills. Their concert will be on Friday evening, Dec. 12 at 7pm here in the Sanctuary.

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. Quarterly 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)

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, jackets/coats, winter clothes, 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 currently 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 Nov 30, 2025. Week 48. Thank you for your faithful giving.

	Budgeted	Received
Church Budget	\$196,440.00	\$176,635.24
Student Assistance	\$26,200.00	\$21,859.50
Youth Ministries	\$41,538.46	\$38,863.56

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: \$417,048.32
(As of 10/31/25 - Updated Monthly)