

## 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

Monday 19th - ACS Open  
Tuesday 20th - ACS/ARC Open  
Sabbath 24th - Sabbath School & Worship Service

## Looking Ahead

Feb 21, 22, 28, March 1 - PHAA Play  
"The Sound of Music" Performances  
March 7 - Grilled Cheese & Games Church Social

## Preaching Schedule

Jan 24 - Pastor Mel Baga  
Jan 31 - Pastor Mel Baga  
Feb 7 - Pastor Mel Baga

## Scripture Focus for Today

"Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted there by the devil. For forty days and forty nights he fasted and became very hungry. During that time the devil came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become loaves of bread." But Jesus told him, "No! The Scriptures say, 'People do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

**Matthew 4:1-4**

## 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)

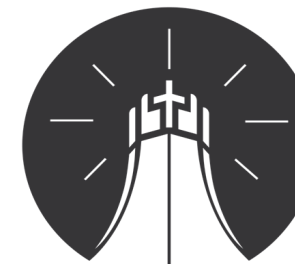
## Church Staff

Lead Pastor  
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# Auburn

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

January 17, 2026

## Worship Gathering

10:45 AM

**Prelude** · Raina Jackson

**Welcome**

**Praises** · Todd Reese & Friends

**Prayer** · Grace Ferolino

**Giving** · Church Family Budget

**Children's Story** · Pastor Adam Weeks

**Auburn Church Recap Slideshow 2025**

**Message** · Pastor Mel Baga "Hunger that Heals"  
Matthew 4:1-4

(Part 2 of the *Fasting to Reawaken Faith* Sermon 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](http://aubstda.org/audio) or as a CD in the Resource Center  
Hearing assistance available at sound booth • Sunset today 5:08pm

## Announcements

### Upcoming Birthdays.

Happy birthday to the following: Hunter Cicle Jan 18 & Rafael Ojeda Jan 21. If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to let us know.

### Two-Part Sermon Series Concludes Today.

Pastor Mel concludes his two-part sermon series on fasting titled, "Fasting to Reawaken Faith" We'll explore why faith can grow dull and how fasting opens space for renewal. As Jesus fasts in the wilderness and grows hungry, something unexpected happens—inviting us to consider how hunger, rather than harming faith, can become part of its renewal.

### 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!

### 10 Days of Prayer Finishes Today.

Thank you all for joining us for 10 days of praying for our church and one another. If you missed any of the days, Pastor Mel has made 10 short videos and discussion guides available to see on our YouTube page or church website at [aubsda.org/prayer10](http://aubsda.org/prayer10).

### 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.

### PHAA Performing Arts Presents: The Sound of Music.

Tickets are available on the school website, [phaaonline.com](http://phaaonline.com) under the Events tab and going fast. You don't want to miss the wonderful performances! Dates: February 21 & 22 and February 28 & March 1.

### 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!

### Weekly Deacons Needed.

In 2026, we are needing to fill two weekly deacon lead positions. The weekly deacon lead involves opening and closing the church, helping with Communion once a quarter and other duties on Sabbath once a month. If any man or woman is interested in helping, please contact Tim Barr at (530) 305-1484.

### Weekly Book Club Begins Monday.

Join us Monday nights from January 19 to April 27, 6:30–8:00pm. We'll meet in-person and on Zoom each week here at the church. We'll be reading, "The Screwtape Letters" by CS Lewis. Each letter in the book stands on its own, so you're welcome to attend as your schedule allows. Together, we'll explore how "Our Father Below" works in opposition to "Our Father in Heaven," and reflect on the spiritual insights Lewis offers. All are invited to participate and journey deeper into this classic work. For more information, please contact Jeff Pierson. Zoom Meeting ID: 895 1646 7008 Passcode: 021942.

### Upcoming Pastor's Class.

Pastor Mel will soon begin his Pastor's Sabbath School Class on the Book of Revelation in February. He'll walk through the book verse by verse, breaking down each passage in clear, understandable language for everyone. More details and the official start date will be announced soon.

### ACS & ARC Are Looking for Volunteers.

If you have a passion for helping out the community on Monday or Tuesday mornings, please contact ACS at (530) 823-0345 or the ARC at (530) 887-8693.

### The Power of Christian Education.

At Pine Hills Adventist Academy, we believe that Christian education is essential to shaping the kind of young people who will make a lasting difference in the world. The outcomes displayed by our graduates, character-driven, Christ-like servant leaders are no accident. They are the result of intentional discipleship, academic excellence, and a learning environment grounded in God's truth. If interested in learning more, contact the school at (530) 885-9447 or visit their website for more info or to schedule a visit.

## 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: Christ in Philippians and Colossians. Meets in the Sanctuary, right side. Quarterlyies available in the lobby or online through the "Sabbath School & PM" app on Android and iPhone.

## 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, warm blankets, 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—[gpmmy82@gmail.com](mailto:gpmmy82@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's from 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](mailto: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 Dec 31, 2025. Week 52. Thank you for your faithful giving this year.

	Budgeted	Received
Church Budget	\$212,810.00	\$220,796.27
Student Assistance	\$28,200.00	\$25,625.50
Youth Ministries	\$45,000.00	\$46,997.56

### Other Church Funds

*Church Building Fund:* Goes towards needed infrastructure projects around the church (New A/C units, roofing, 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](http://aubsda.org/give)

Tithe Year-to-Date: \$578,367.70  
(As of 12/31/25 - Updated Monthly)