

Welcome!

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

This Week

Monday 27th - ACS Open
Tuesday 28th - ACS & ARC Open
Sabbath 1st - Sabbath School & Worship Service

Looking Ahead

July 26-Aug 1 - Redwood Camp Meeting
Aug 3-7 - VBS Week 9-11:30am
Aug 15 - Teacher Dedication Sabbath & Potluck Lunch
Aug 22 - Missions Sabbath
Aug 28-30 - Fallen Leaf Campout (No Services at Auburn on Aug 29)

Preaching Schedule

Aug 1 - Pastor Mel Baga
Aug 8 - Pastor Mel Baga
Aug 15 - Pastor Mel Baga

Scripture Focus for Today

"I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you." **John 15:15**

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

Intern Pastor for Discipleship

JeAnn Ahl

Treasurer

Jim Brewster

Administrative Assistant

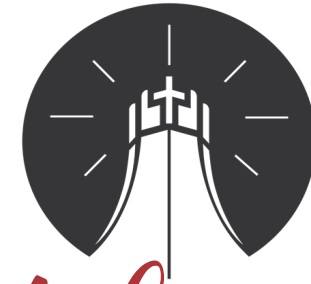
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SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

July 25, 2026

Worship Gathering

10:45 AM

Prelude · Raina Jackson

Welcome

Praises · Charity Joy & Friends

Prayer · Pastor JeAnn Ahl

Giving · Local Conference Advance

Children's Story · Allison Miller

Special Music · Charity Joy & Daniella

Message · Pastor Mel Baga "What the Servant Never Knew" John 15:15
(Part 3 of the *Abiding in Jesus* 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 or as a CD in the Resource Center
Hearing assistance available at sound booth • Sunset today 8:23pm

Announcements

Upcoming Birthdays.

Happy birthday to the following: Chris Stokes Jul 30, Darrel Crane Jul 30, Jackie Whitson Jul 30, Blanca Fanselau Jul 31, Dax Whitson Jul 31 & Lilly Ludwig Jul 31. If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to let us know.

Current Sermon Series.

Pastor Mel continues the summer sermon series today titled, “Abiding in Jesus” and let us prepare our hearts and invite a friend to church with you. The companion River Flow devotional is included in your bulletin and online.

River Flow Sabbath School Class.

The River Flow Sabbath School Class meets at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary, by the piano, taking up chapter 3 of The Other Half of Church by Jim Wilder and Michel Hendricks, “Joy: The Face of Jesus that Transforms.” The class runs alongside our “Abiding in Jesus” sermon series, taking up before worship what we only have time to open during it. You don’t need to have read the chapter, or the book, or last week’s. Everyone is welcome — Pastor Mel Baga, D.Min., facilitating.

VBS Week in August.

This year’s VBS is coming up soon and will be on August 3-7 from 9am-11:30am. Save the date as we are currently signing up volunteers to help with setup, food, decorations, games, group leaders and more for August! High school aged youth are welcome to participate. Please contact Grace Ferolino or sign up your name in the lobby if interested in being a part or would like to learn more. To register your child, please scan the QR code in the bulletin insert or visit aubsda.org/vbs.

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.

Looking for Student Workers.

The church is looking for 2–3 student workers from Auburn Church for janitorial cleaning—few hours during the summer and primarily throughout the school year. The position requires approximately

2–4 hours per week. If you’re interested in applying or would like more information, please visit the church office. These roles are important in helping keep our church clean and welcoming each week.

Upcoming Youth Vespers & Events.

Aug 14 – River Vespers by Baga/Krussow

Aug 21 - Joint Vespers with Gracepoint at the Childers' home

Beware of Scammer Messages

Messages sometimes go around claiming to be Pastor Mel, asking for money, gift cards, Zelle transfers, sharing of the directory, etc. Please know that he will never ask you for funds for this way. The only ways to give are through the offering plate and the official Adventist Giving online page. Please contact the church office if ever uncertain. A little caution protects us all.

The Value of Collaboration.

At Pine Hills Adventist Academy, our families consistently describe our school as welcoming, respectful, and supportive, and we are committed to maintaining an atmosphere where every child feels valued and encouraged. When parents and educators work together, students benefit from consistent support, guidance, and encouragement that extend beyond the classroom.

ACS & ARC Are Looking for Volunteers.

If you have a passion for helping out the community on Monday or Tuesday mornings this summer, please contact ACS at (530) 823-0345 or the ARC at (530) 887-8693. High school aged are also welcome and a great way to earn some community service hours. ARC is looking for dentists.

Redwood Camp Meeting 2026.

Join us July 26-Aug 1 for a week of inspiring worship, uplifting music, great speakers and meaningful family fellowship nestled in the beautiful redwoods. Experience where lifelong memories and renewed faith await. For more info and to reserve a campsite, please visit the website redwoodcampmeeting.com

Fallen Leaf Campout Next Month.

From August 28-30, we are having our annual church campout at Fallen Leaf Lake in South Lake Tahoe. There will be NO services at Auburn on Aug. 29. You

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 studying Psalm 119. Meets in Fellowship Hall Room 1.

2.) **Adult Sabbath School Quarterly** - Led by Rob Bende. This quarter’s topic: First and Second Corinthians. Meets in the Sanctuary, right side. New quarterlies are available in the lobby or online through the “Sabbath School & PM” app on Android and iPhone.

3.) **River Flow Sabbath School Class** - Led by Dr. Mel Baga, in the Sanctuary left, by the piano. Discussing the book The Other Half of the Church (in conjunction with the Abiding in Jesus sermon series). Books will be provided.

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 individuals and families in need with food and clothing). **Current Needs.** Egg cartons -dozen size, blankets (all sizes, except no throws), baby wipes and diapers all sizes, queen/king sized sheet sets, girls clothing (size 2-16), men’s jeans and shoes and backpacks. No pillows please. Thank you for bringing cleaned clothing without holes or stains. **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—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.

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, (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 July 18, 2026. Week 29. Thank you for your faithful giving.

	Budgeted	Received
Church Budget	\$126,373.08	\$97,768.56
Student Assistance	\$13,692.31	\$10,811.30
Youth Ministries	\$22,828.00	\$19,524.00

Other Church Funds

Church Building Fund: Goes towards needed infrastructure projects around the church (New A/C units, roofing, plugs and light switches, lighting, 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: \$231,611.50
(As of 6/30/26 - Updated Monthly)