

## Welcome!

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

## This Week

Monday 17th - ACS Open  
Tuesday 18th - ACS & ARC Open  
Thursday 20th-Church Office Closed  
Sabbath 22nd - Sabbath School & Worship Service

## Looking Ahead

Aug 15 - Teacher Dedication Sabbath & Potluck Lunch  
Aug 20 - First Day of School at PHAA  
Aug 22 - Missions Sabbath  
Aug 28-30 - Fallen Leaf Campout (No Services at Auburn on Aug 29)  
Oct 2-4 & 9-11\* - Christian Women's Retreat at Leoni Meadows  
Oct 3 - Communion Sabbath

## Preaching Schedule

Aug 22 - Pastor Mel Baga  
Aug 29 - NO Services at Auburn/  
Pastor JeAnn preaches at Fallen Leaf  
Sept 5 - Pastor Mel Baga

## Scripture Focus for Today

"Do to others whatever you would like them to do to you. This is the essence of all that is taught in the law and the prophets." **Matthew 7:12**

## 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

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# Auburn

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

August 15, 2026

## Worship Gathering

10:45 AM

**Prelude** · Sharon Kharns

**Welcome**

**Praises** · Terri Taaffe & Friends

**Prayer** · Jason Brown

**Giving** · Church Family Budget

**Children's Story** · Terri Taaffe

**Teacher Dedication**

**Message** · Pastor Mel Baga "The Good You Already Know" Matthew 7:12

**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](http://aubstda.org/audio) or as a CD in the Resource Center  
Hearing assistance available at sound booth • Sunset today 8:00pm

## Announcements

### Upcoming Birthdays.

Happy birthday to the following: Sharon Weir Aug 16, Janice O'Haver Aug 17, Katherine Weeks Aug 17, Josh Miller Aug 20, Susan Excell Aug 20 & Lori Hanson Aug 21. If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to let us know.

### Teacher Dedication Today.

During the worship service, we'll be taking a moment to pray over our teachers and school staff as they begin a new school year. Let us continue to pray and support them throughout the year.

### Sermon Series Resumes Next Week.

This Sabbath we pause our Abiding in Jesus series for another week to dedicate our teachers and staff.

### 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 6 of "The Other Half of Church" by Jim Wilder and Michel Hendricks, titled "Healthy Correction: Stop Being So Nice" 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.

### Fellowship Potluck Lunch Today.

We invite our guests, teachers and members to join us in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service for delicious vegetarian food and fellowship.

### Fallen Leaf Church Campout.

From August 28-30, we are having our annual church campout at Fallen Leaf Lake Campground in South Lake Tahoe. All campsites are full and there will be NO services at Auburn on Aug. 29. You are welcome to join us for the day in the beautiful nature. More info and tentative schedule available in the bulletin insert. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Excell. We're looking forward to a great weekend together!

### Last Summer Youth Vespers.

On Friday Aug 21, we'll be having a joint vespers with Gracepoint at the Childers'

home in Lincoln. There will be swimming, volleyball, basketball and worship. A dinner is also provided. For more info, please see Pastor Adam Weeks.

### 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.

### 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.

### Forest Kindergarten at Pine Hills.

They are still enrolling for Kindergarten where kids can experience a unique nature based learning environment where curiosity grows, faith takes root and learning comes alive outdoors. They offer hands on learning, strong foundations in reading, math and science, joy filled outdoor play every day in a Christ-centered environment. If interested, please call the school office at (530) 885-9447 or see the bulletin board for more info.

### Pine Hills Work Bee Tomorrow.

All those interested are invited to join for a Work Bee this Sunday, Aug 16 from 8am to 12pm at Pine Hills. We'll be working together to get the school cleaned up, looking its best, and ready to welcome our students for the new school year which begins on Aug 20.

### Pine Hills Looking for History/STEM Teacher.

Pine Hills seeks a qualified high school history/STEM teacher. Required Experience: Valid NAD or California credential; strong STEM tech competency; relational, organized and community-minded; student focused; committed Christian walk. For those interested in applying/ more info please contact the school office at (530) 885-9447.

## 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 31, 2026. Week 30. Thank you for your faithful giving.

|                    | Budgeted     | Received     |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Church Budget      | \$135,088.46 | \$106,986.56 |
| Student Assistance | \$14,153.85  | \$11,206.67  |
| Youth Ministries   | \$22,828.00  | \$21,044.00  |

### 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](https://aubsda.org/give)

Tithe Year-to-Date: \$267,468.81  
(As of 7/31/26 - Updated Monthly)