

## Welcome!

Happy Sabbath! Thank you for joining us for worship today. Feel free to use this bulletin to help you find your way around, for a great Sabbath experience. If you need anything, please feel free to ask a greeter or church volunteer.

## This Week

Monday 2nd - ACS & Church Office  
Closed due to Labor Day Holiday  
Tuesday 3rd - ACS & ARC Open  
Friday 6th - Church Campout Begins  
Sabbath 7th - No Services at Auburn

## Looking Ahead

Sept 6-8 - Fallen Leaf Church Campout  
(No Church on Sept. 7 at Auburn)  
Sept 12 - Church Board/Elders Mtg  
Sept 21 - K-6 Choir at Auburn Church  
& Fellowship Lunch  
Oct 5 - Communion Sabbath

## Preaching Schedule

Sept 14 - Pastor Mel Baga  
Sept 21 - Pastor Mel Baga  
Sept 28 - Pastor Mel Baga

## Scripture Focus for Today

“As they sat down to eat, he took the bread and blessed it. Then he broke it and gave it to them. Suddenly, their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And at that moment he disappeared!”

**Luke 24:30-31**

## Our Mission

*Our reason for existence*

We are a church that makes disciples who make disciples  
until Jesus returns.

“Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” (Matthew 28:19-20)

## 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
Treasurer	Jim Brewster
Administrative Assistant	Scott Wallace

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Church office is open Tuesday-Thursday from 10:15am - 2:15pm.

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# Auburn

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

August 31, 2024

## Worship Gathering

10:45 AM

**Prelude** · Raina Jackson

**Welcome**

**Praises** · Jenell Wareham & Friends

**Prayer** · Jeff Pierson

**Giving** · Church Family Budget

**Children's Story** · Grace Ferolino

**Message** · Pastor Mel Baga “Hospitality and Harvest, Part 2: The Promise of the Stranger” Luke 24:30-31

**Closing Song**

**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 7:37pm

## Announcements

### Upcoming Birthdays.

Happy birthday to the following: Wanda Rasche Sep 04, Emerson Spieth Sep 07, Annmaree Gipson Sep 08, John Kaster Sep 08, Keith Murillo Sep 08, Mace Stokes Sep 10, Nathan Riojas Sep 10, Rachael McDonald Sep 10. If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to let us know.

### Fallen Leaf Campout Info.

Our annual church campout at Fallen Leaf Lake by South Lake Tahoe is next week from Sept. 6-8. Campsites are all full that weekend, but you are always welcome to join us for the day at Fallen Leaf. If planning to join for breakfast Sabbath morning, please RSVP and contact Rhonda on what to bring. For more campout info, please contact Susan Excell or see the bulletin insert for the schedule. We look forward to worship and fellowship in the beautiful outdoors together.

### No Services at Auburn Next Sabbath.

Due to the majority of church members at the church campout, there will be no Sabbath School or church here next Sabbath. You are welcome to join us for the day at Fallen Leaf, visit another church in the area or enjoy a day out in nature with God.

### Church Office & ACS Closed Monday.

Due to the Labor Day holiday, the church office and ACS will be closed on Monday, September 2. We will resume normal hours on Tuesday.

### September Potluck Moved to Sept 21.

We are moving our September potluck to September 21, in correlation with the Pine Hills K-6 Choir performing during the worship service.

### Christian Women's Retreat.

All women, save the date for the upcoming women's retreat at Leoni

Meadows on October 4-6 & 11-13. Registration is now open until September 27. Please see the bulletin board or Rhonda Rajaofera for more info.

### Give a Gift of Time: Volunteer.

With a new school year, we need new servants. You can serve HIM by ministering to HIS children. Be a Pine Hills Adventist Academy Volunteer! We are in need of YOUR gifts, time, and talents. Men and women, grandparents, young adults with a willing spirit to make a difference in a child's life are welcome. Your mission opportunity is here! To learn more on ways to volunteer, please contact the PHAA school office at (530) 885-9447 for more info.

### Help Out in the Garden and Orchard.

Community Services is looking for people to help or lead out in the garden and orchard. Very flexible on your time and a great way to spend time outdoors helping the community through growing fresh food here on the church campus. If you are interested, please contact ACS or Pam Haddad.

### Bethlehem Market Info.

Please see the bulletin board or Susan Excell for more information about this year's interactive church Christmas program in December. We need as many families as possible. If interested in helping with your time or lending any props, please contact Susan Excell.

### Church Sermon Podcast Available.

Missed a sermon or want to hear it again? Simply search "Auburn SDA Church" on your favorite podcast service or online at [absda.org/audio](http://absda.org/audio).

## 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 Youth Pastor Adam Weeks. (8th grade and up) Meets in the Youth Room across the Sanctuary.

### Adult Sabbath School

1.) **A Conversation About the Scriptures** - Led by Jeff Pierson & Brian Toppel. Currently going through Colossians. Meets in Fellowship Hall Room 1.

2.) **Adult Sabbath School Quarterly** - Led by Robinson Bende. This quarter's topic: The Book of Mark. 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.

## 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), baby wipes, all sizes of bed liners, towels, men's jeans and shoes, backpacks, blankets and summer clothing. Thank you for your continued support. **Services Provided.** Clothing; Diapers & baby wipes; Kitchen items; Linens; Hygiene kits for unsheltered; Hot showers on Mondays with towels and toiletries provided; Hot lunches or sack lunches for unsheltered; 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—[gpmamy82@gmail.com](mailto:gpmamy82@gmail.com), (530) 906-1676.

### Auburn Renewal Center (ARC)

**This week.** Tuesday, 9am-1pm. **Services Provided.** Medical, vision, dental, chiropractic and counseling. Please call to make an appointment. Free flu shots available; walk-ins welcome. **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.

### 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. **Wish to volunteer?** If you would like to help in the garden or orchard please contact James Maddox—(916) 500-8765 or Pam Haddad.

## Financial Update

As of Aug 24, 2024. Week 33. Thank you for your faithful giving.

	Budgeted	Received
Church Budget	\$133,358.46	\$106,828.67
Student Assistance	\$11,356.92	\$6,829.00
Youth Ministries	\$28,115.38	\$21,211.00

### Church Funds

*Church Building Fund:* Goes towards needed infrastructure projects around the church (Roofing, gutters, doors, LED lighting, A/C, locks, 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 [absda.org/give](http://absda.org/give)

Tithe Year-to-Date: \$269,953.93  
(As of 7/30/24 - Updated Monthly)