

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 30th - ACS Open
Tuesday 31st - ACS Open/ARC Closed
Wednesday 1st - Happy New Year!
Church Office Closed
Sabbath 4th - Sabbath School/
Communion Worship Service

Looking Ahead

Dec 23-Jan 5 - PHAA Christmas Break
Dec 31 - New Year's Eve Social
Jan 4 - Communion Sabbath

Preaching Schedule

Jan 4 - Pastor Adam Weeks
Jan 11 - Speaker
Jan 18 - Pastor Mel Baga

Scripture Focus for Today

"When a certain immoral woman from that city heard he was eating there, she brought a beautiful alabaster jar filled with expensive perfume. Then she knelt behind him at his feet, weeping. Her tears fell on his feet, and she wiped them off with her hair. Then she kept kissing his feet and putting perfume on them."

Luke 7:37-38

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
Youth Pastor
Treasurer
Administrative Assistant

Mel Baga, DMin
Adam Weeks, MA
Jim Brewster
Scott Wallace

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SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

December 28, 2024

Worship Gathering

10:45 AM

Prelude · Robinson Bende

Welcome

Praises · Chelsea Mensink & Friends

Prayer · Pastor Adam Weeks

Giving · Local Conference Advance

Children's Story · Ken Osborn

Auburn Church Recap Slideshow 2024

Message · Darrel Crane "Anticipation: Seeing With Your Heart"
Scripture: Luke 7:36-38

Closing Song · Robinson Bende

Closing Prayer · Darrel Crane

Postlude · Robinson Bende

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 4:50pm

Announcements

Upcoming Birthdays.

Happy birthday to the following: Kellie Spieth Dec 28, Matthew Stokes Jan 01 & Todd Reese Jan 02. If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to let us know.

New Year's Eve Game Night Social.

All are invited for a fun evening of games and fellowship with one another on Tuesday, December 31 from 6-9pm. Please bring your favorite board game or puzzle and we'll celebrate the New Year at 9pm with Martinelli's to celebrate! We're also having a haystacks/burritos dinner, please contact Susan Excell if you are able to help with any toppings. We look forward to a fun evening together!

Communion Sabbath Next Week.

All are welcome to participate as we have a Communion Service next Sabbath during the worship service to begin the new year.

Upcoming Church Week of Prayer.

When we come together and pray, amazing things can happen. From Friday, January 17 to Friday, January 24, join us in prayer for 7 days uplifting our church and one another in prayer together. We'll be meeting from 6-7pm in the Youth Room each evening. We'll also have soup and salad/bread for the Friday evening meetings. Please save the dates and contact Grace Ferolino for more info.

Total Member Involvement: Thank You!

Funding for Pine Hills Adventist Academy comes from a variety of sources. First, some funding comes from tuition paid by parents. Secondly, some funding comes from donors who wish to support the vision and mission of Christian education. Finally, some money comes from outside sources such as grants,

scholarships and constituent church subsidies. The need is greater than the funds can support. Every member of the community can make Christian education a priority by enrolling their students and/or by giving generously. Please consider making a gift today, it can be placed in the offering plate marked with the school name. Jesus IS the reason why our Christian school exists. Many Christmas blessings from Pine Hills! To learn more, contact the PHAA school office at (530) 885-9447 to donate or online through the school website.

2024 Tithe & Offering Receipt.

In order to have any tithes or offerings included in your 2024 offering receipt for your taxes or personal records, it needs to be placed in the offering today. If you use online giving or if it's being mailed it needs to be postmarked by midnight on Dec. 31 or dropped off at the church office on Tuesday by 2pm. Thank you for your faithful giving in supporting the Auburn Church ministries.

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.

Church Office Closed Jan 1 & 2.

Due to the New Year's holiday, the church office will be closed on Wednesday and Thursday. Have a wonderful start to your 2025!

Pastor Mel Away.

He will be on vacation from December 23-January 12. If you have any pastoral needs, please contact Pastor Adam Weeks.

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 Esther. Meets in Fellowship Hall Room 1.

2.) **Adult Sabbath School Quarterly** - Led by Robinson Bende. This quarter's topic: Themes in the Gospel of John. Meets in the Sanctuary, right side. Quarterly lies available 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.** 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.

Auburn Renewal Center (ARC)

The ARC is on a break until January 8. 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, (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 December 21, 2024. Week 50. Thank you for your faithful giving.

	Budgeted	Received
Church Budget	\$200,037.69	\$171,084.86
Student Assistance	\$18,495.46	\$12,558.00
Youth Ministries	\$42,173.08	\$35,839.00

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 aubsda.org/give

Tithe Year-to-Date: \$420,406.72
(As of 11/30/24 - Updated Monthly)