SUNDAY

Worship Services: 8:30 & 10:15 am

TUESDAY

Twice a Month Men's Bible Study-Ephesians: 9:00-10:15 am, Room 200

Sewers & Rippers: 9:00 am-1:00 pm, Worship Center. All ladies welcome. For questions, call Marilyn Reinhardt, 510-246-7478 or Rhoda Staurseth, 530-878-5094

WEDNESDAY

Worship Practice: 6:30 pm, Auditorium

Jr. High Youth: Back to school Swim Party and BBQ: 6:30-8:00 pm

Sr. High Youth: 'Youth on the Lake', 6:30 pm, Hudek home, 530-906-9662, rpennington@auburngrace.com

THURSDAY

Men of Intention—Conquer Series: A Christ-centered quest for sexual purity, 7:00 pm, Room 207

Young Adult Life Group: NO MEETING TONIGHT

SATURDAY

Takin' it to the Streets: Meet at Auburn Oaks Care Center, 3400 Bell Road, at 10:15 AM– 12:00 across the street from AGCC to share music and words of encouragement with the residents

NEXT SUNDAY

Worship Services & Bread & Cup Communion: 8:30 & 10:15 am

Takin' it to the Streets: Meet at Sierra Ridge Memory Care, 3265 Blue Oaks Drive, at 10:30 am to share music and words of encouragement with the residents

MTM Prayer meeting: 12:00-3:00 pm, Auditorium

Women's Meet & Greet: 12:30 pm, The Café

- Japanese Handbell Choir: August 21 ٠
- **Connection Fair:** August 25 ٠
- Women's Fall Bible Study: September 4 •
- Wednesday Night Live Fall session begins: September 4 ٠
- **MOPS:** September 6 ٠
- ٠ Grandparenting Matters Seminar: September 6-7
- **Connection Sunday:** September 22 ٠
- Baptisms: September 29 ٠
- MOPS: October 4 ٠
- Men's Fall Breakfast: October 12 ٠
- Baby Dedications: October 13 ٠
- Women's Fall Retreat: October 18-20 ٠
- Sewers and Rippers Craft Faire: October 25 & 26 ٠
- Fall Family Fair: October 31 ٠
- MOPS: November 1 ٠
- Thanksgiving Celebration Dinner: November 10 ٠
- **MOPS:** December 6

	8:30 am Service	
Who Goes Where?	Nursery: Birth-Age 4	Room 104
	Discovering God Class	RESUMES THIS FALL
	Intersections Class	RESUMES THIS FALL
	10:15 am Service	
	Nursery: Birth-Age 2	Room 104
	Young Preschool: 2—3 Yr. Olds	Room 101
	Older Preschool: 4 Yr. Olds	Room 102
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	7th-8th Grade	Room 207
	9th-12th Grade	Room 205
	Ambassadors Class	Room 200
	Generations Class	Room 209

Pastoral Staff

Lead Pastor ~ Phil Sparling Executive Pastor ~ Dave Wickstrom Body Life Pastor ~ Greg Hummel Grandparent Ministry Pastor ~ John McIntosh Student Ministries Pastor ~ Steve West Children's Director ~ Terese Coburn Worship Leader ~ Brian Altizer



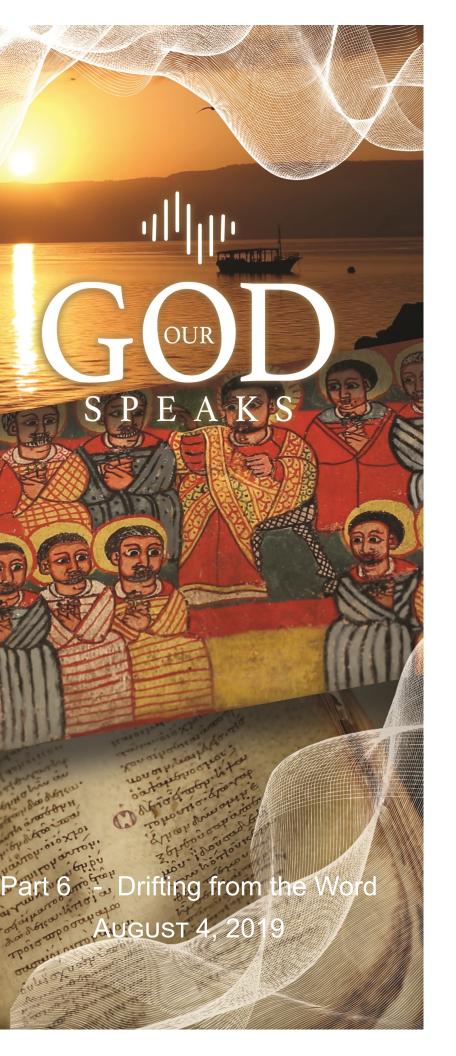


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Upcoming Events





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VISITING FOR THE FIRST TIME?

Make sure you pick up a Welcome Packet in the Lobby!

If you have a question about becoming a Christian, baptism, baby dedications, a prayer request, or would like to receive our email notices, please fill out the Response Form located in your bulletin and place it in the offering or a Response Box located in the Lobby and someone will respond to your request. Should you have a prayer request need during the week, please call or email the Church Office.

Please join us for refreshments following the service in the courtyard.

Wifi: Choose AGCCguest ; password agcc8330

Nursey care, children, youth and adult class schedules are listed on the back of the bulletin

There is a private **Family Room** upstairs in Room 208 for nursing moms and those with infants. Please feel free to use this room should you need to take care of your baby outside the main service.

Hearing assistance devices available for checkout at the Welcome Center.

Our AGCC Resource Center is located in Room 206, upstairs. If you would like a CD of today's message (or prior messages), please stop by and place your order. Cost per CD is \$1.00.

HOW TO GET CONNECTED

DOWNLOAD THE AUBURN GRACE APP!

Download our app on your phones to have easy access to our website, the Bible, online giving, audio sermons, pastor's blogs, our calendar, and more!

JOIN US FOR LUNCH AT OUR NEXT CONNECTION SUNDAY 12:00-1:30 pm, September 22

Includes a workshop called **Connecting to Our Family** which welcomes new families into AGCC and provides a brief overview of the people, history and beliefs of Auburn Grace. Sign up online at auburngrace.com.

A SUMMER NIGHT LIVE EVENT Wednesday, August 21

Dinner 5:30-6:30, Concert 6:30-8:30

If you have not heard a handbell choir before, you will be in for a GREAT treat! The Handbell Choir from Meiji Gakuin High School in Tokyo, Japan will be performing Wednesday, August 21 in our Auditorium.

For their visit, we are looking for families to host two or more students in their home August 19-23 and for volunteers to help with transportation and other needs. Please RSVP for dinner and also indicate your interest in hosting/transportation on the Response Form. For questions, contact Matt Sparling, sparling@auburngrace.com.

OUARTERLY MISSIONS PRAYER MEETING

Next Sunday, August 11, 12:00 pm, Auditorium

Join us as we spend time in prayer for our missionaries and outreaches. Let's be supportive of our brothers and sisters around the world, as we lay our petitions before our great God! For questions, contact Brooke Bye at bbye@auburngrace.com.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - 'GOD OF COVENANT' A Study of Genesis 12-50 by Jen Wilkin

Wednesdays 9:30-11:15 am September 4 - November 13

There are no minor characters in the story of God. Beginning with Genesis 12, walk alongside the fathers of our faith-Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph-to discern Jesus in the stories of His people. Over 10 sessions, discover how God orchestrates everything for His glory and the good of His people, and see how the God of creation and covenant is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Winter and Spring studies also available! \$20 per study. Childcare available (no cost). Go to auburngrace.com for details and to register. Contact Claire at cmalarae@auburngrace.com for questions.

WOMEN'S MEET & GREET

Sunday, August 11

Meet in The Cafe after second service for a mix and mingle with the women of Auburn Grace. We will be serving refreshments and snacks and sharing exciting new updates to Women's Ministry!

SAVE THE DATE

Fall Women's Retreat October 18-20 Zephyr Point Conference Center Lake Tahoe

MOPS BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER!

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) is an opportunity for moms of preschoolers to relax, feel uplifted, meet other moms, receive mentorship and guidance, and just have fun! Childcare is provided for children ages 0-5. This group will meet the 1st Friday of each month, starting September 6, 9:00-11:00 am in the Cafe.

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COMING SOON! ANNUAL CONNECTION FAIR! Sunday, August 25

After both services on August 25, we will host our annual Connection Fair. Not to be missed will be an opportunity to register for our Fall Life Groups and WNL adult classes. **EVERY** person in our church family is encouraged to join a ministry team regardless of age. The Fair is a wonderful way to truly understand the climate and culture of AGCC. We are offering a FREE lunch along with participation prizes and lots of fun activities for the whole family. Plan to spend some quality time strolling through our Ministry Booths, exploring ways to connect with our community, our nation, our world and enjoying some time with your family and friends. Don't miss it!

GRANDPARENTING MATTERS SEMINAR September 6, Friday, 6:30-9:00 pm

September 7, Saturday, 8:30 am-12:30 pm

Grandparents play a unique and profoundly influential role in the lives of their grandchildren, but often grandparents themselves don't understand their enormous potential to influence the generations.

\$15 Single / \$25 Couple, includes continental breakfast

Register online at auburngrace.com. Questions, please contact John McIntosh at jmcintosh@auburngrace.com. For more information on the 'Legacy Coalition' please visit their website at legacycoalition.com

HSM YOUTH ON THE LAKE

Wednesday, August 7, 6:30-9:00 pm

Come join us as we praise God, pray and take a look at what the Bible has to say about emotions. Bring your swim gear, towel, and a Bible! We will be meeting at the Hudek's home at 13443 Peninsula Drive, Auburn. For guestions regarding lake days, contact Grace Hudek at 530-906-9662. Gate code required.

JR. HIGH BACK TO SCHOOL SWIM PARTY & BBO

Wednesday, August 7, 5:00-8:00 pm at Terese's home!

Please indicate your interest on the Response Form or contact Terese at tcoburn@auburngrace with questions.

CONNECTING WITH OUR COMMUNITY

Thank you all for your donations of school supplies and backpacks! We are so grateful to be a part of our community by helping kids in need to have backpacks and supplies as they start school! 45 backpacks were donated this year with 31 to be delivered to Rock Creek Elementary School and 15 to the Arab American Learning Center. This year a member of our church family was purchasing backpacks and supplies at Target and had the opportunity to share with the cashier that this was a ministry Auburn Grace provided to our community. The clerk, with tears in her eyes, shared that she had been a recipient of a backpack from us several years prior. This outreach began over a dozen years ago and continues to be yet another avenue to reach our community and share the love of Christ. God bless our church family!

RESPONSE FORM

Please check the events you are interested in, place in the offering, a Response Box, or contact us at 530-823-8330 or agcc@auburngrace.com. Name

Phone ______

Jr. High Back to School Swim Party & BBQ: 8/7 # youth attending _____

Summer Night Live - Pre-Concert Dinner, 5:30-6:30 pm: 8/21 # attending

Meiji Gakuin High School Students from Japan: 8/19-23

Yes, we would like to be a Host Family, please contact us
 # of students _____ Girls ___ or Boys ____

Assist with transportation to events

OUR GOD SPEAKS

Part 6 DRIFTING from the Bible

<u>JOHN MARK</u> - engaged, engaged, drifted, returned Acts 12:12, 25, 13:5, 13; 2 Timothy 4:11 <u>DEMAS</u> drifted – faithful, faithful, gone Col. 4:14; Philemon 1:24; 2 Tim. 4:10

Drifting is a NATURAL maneuver

- Our nature our internal <u>PROPENSITY</u>
- <u>TEMPTATION</u> from within and from without
- <u>UNCLEAR</u> answers to <u>HARD</u> questions

Drifting's END GAME

- Cave to <u>CULTURAL</u> values
- Trade hard truths for EASIER truths

Drifting begins in our <u>ROOT SYSTEMS</u>

• A slow erosion of <u>TRUST</u> in God; His love, His <u>PLAN</u>,

His Word, His <u>PEOPLE</u>

• A final <u>OUTBURST</u> to be free, a <u>FIRM</u> will to follow a new path

Drifting manifests itself in $\underline{\mathsf{THREE}}$ ways

- Drifting from time with <u>GOD'S PEOPLE</u> Hebrews 10:25
- Drifting from time with <u>JESUS</u>
 John 15:4-5
- Drifting from time in personal <u>SPIRITUAL</u> practices

Acts 2:42; Hebrews 4:12

Challenge: Do you want God more than you want the

PROMISE LAND? Exodus 32-33

Life Group Questions – August 4, 2019

Hebrews 3:12-13 'Take care, brethren, that there not be in any one of you an evil, unbelieving heart that falls away from the living God. But encourage one another day after day, as long as it is still called "Today," so that none of you will be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.'

QUICK REVIEW

- 1. What does "Sola Scriptura" mean? What was its significance in the Protestant Reformation? Has its significance changed over time? Why do you think this is?
- 2. When God moves supernaturally (miracles), He violates the Natural Laws of Science. Discuss a popular biblical narrative where science has attempted to explain away the divine phenomenon. What is the relationship between miracles and faith?
- 3. Compared to other leaders, teachers and prophets, what makes Jesus unique?

MY STORY

- 1. Have you ever found yourself drifting away from God's Word? Why did you drift? What does this imply about your trust in the Bible? How do unclear or no answers to difficult questions undermine your faith in the Word of God?
- 2. Are you able to see the roots of drifting in your life right now? What can you do to short-circuit this propensity? How can you avoid drifting from the authority of God's Word?

GOING DEEP

- 1. What is biblical illiteracy? Why does it seem to be rising even among professing Christians? What does a drifting church look like?
- 2. Read Psalm 116. How can this passage stir us to walk near the Lord?
- 3. Read John 15:4-5. Abiding says something about choosing. Our free wills must be directed to <u>electing</u> to do things that draw us close to the Lord. What do these verses indicate about our efforts of eternal value and our relationship with Jesus?
- 4. God created us to have fellowship with Him (Genesis 3:8, Leviticus 26:11-12, John 17:3, Revelation 21:3-4). This should be reflected not only in our knowledge of God's Word but also in our prayer life. How frequently do we pray? How fervently do we pray? What keeps us from truly knowing Him now?

PUTTING IT TOGETHER:

- 1. What do you think are some of the challenges to living out each point?
- 2. Which of the above teaching points are most important for <u>you</u> to remember?