### **SUNDAY**

Worship Services: 8:30 & 10:15 am
Connection Sunday: 12:00 pm, Room 200
Oakwood Village Service: 1:45 pm

### **TUESDAY**

**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

Women's Bible Study-God of Covenant: 9:30-11:30 am,

**Wednesday Night Live:** 5:30-6:30 pm-Dinner; 6:25 pm-Children's Program and Nursery check in at KidCheck kiosk; 6:30-8:00 pm-Jr. & Sr. High Youth Groups, Adult classes; 8:00 pm-Fellowship

Worship Practice: 8:00 pm, Auditorium

### **THURSDAY**

Women's Grief Share: 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Room 209

Young Adults Life Group: 7:00 pm, The Café

Men of Intention—Conquer Series: A Christ-centered quest for

sexual purity, 7:00 pm, Room 207

**Hosting Gathering Inn** 

### **FRIDAY**

456 Kids—Glow in the Dark Night: 5:00-8:00 pm, Room 103

### **SATURDAY**

**Takin' it to the Streets:** Meet in Auburn Greens on Park Drive in the parking lot at the park at 10:00 am to go door-to-door inviting people to church and sharing the gospel

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Worship Services and Baptisms: 8:30 & 10:15 am

MOPS: October 4

Men's Fall Breakfast: October 12

Baby Dedications: October 13

• Women's Fall Retreat: October 18-20

Sewers and Rippers Craft Faire: October 25 & 26

Fall Family Fair: October 31

Jr. High Pumpkin & Costume Party: November 1

MOPS: November 1

MTM Prayer Meeting: November 3

◆ Jr. High Tauren Wells Concert: November 7

• Gathering Inn: November 6

MOPS, Mom's Night Out: November 8

Thanksgiving Celebration Dinner: November 10

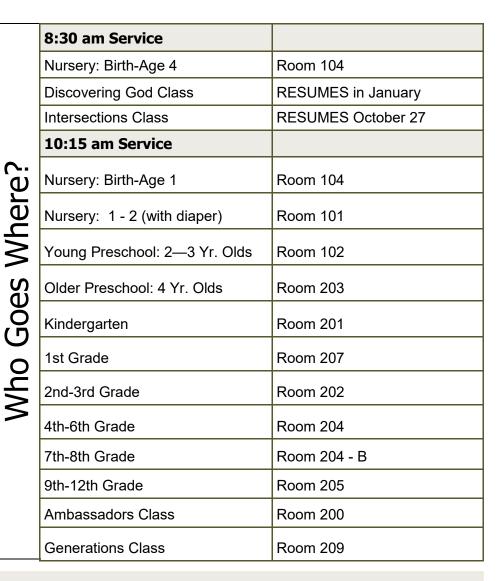
Glory Boys Concert: November 14

♦ 456 Operation Christmas Child Packing Party: November 5

Children's Ministry Sock & Shampoo Drive: Nov 17-24

**HSM Enchilada Sale:** November 24

MOPS: December 6



### **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





Community Church

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# WELCOME

We are glad you're here

### 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,

## **JOIN US FOR LUNCH AT OUR CONNECTION SUNDAY TODAY**

12:00-1:30 pm, Room 200

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.

### **CONNECTION SUNDAY & LUNCHEON TODAY**

12:00-1:30 pm, Room 200 - Childcare provided. Join us for lunch and attend a workshop

Connecting to Our Family—Are you new to AGCC or just want to learn more about us? Come hear a brief overview of the people, history and beliefs of Auburn Grace.

**Growing in Your Gifts—**Discover your spiritual gifts and what ministry possibilities are available to you and your family.

Serving as a Member—What it means to be a member of AGCC. We review our Constitution, By-laws and Statement of Faith.

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

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Thursday, November 14 TIM & THE GLORY BOYS CONCERT Tickets and details at auburngrace.com

### **BABY DEDICATIONS - Sunday, October 13**

If interested in having your child dedicated, please indicate your interest on the Response Form and someone from the office will contact you.

## MEN OF INTENTION - ANNUAL FALL BREAKFAST Saturday, October 12, 9:00-10:30 am **Guest Speaker - Tierce Green**

Tierce is the Director of the Authentic Manhood Initiative out of The Woodlands, Texas. He was the keynote speaker at our annual Men's Retreat at Woodleaf Conference Center in April of 2017 participated in our WNL "Speaker Series" and returned to speak in the fall of 2017. He is on the teaching team of 33 The Series. A Journey to Authentic **Manhood** as modeled by Jesus in His 33 years on earth. Tierce also created and produced a 12-session video series for men called Fight Club: Some Things are Worth Fighting For. Fight Club has been adapted for use by the Mighty Oaks Warrior Programs helping military veterans in the battle with PTSD. We have used the 33 and The Fight Club curriculums over the last two seasons of WNL. Register to attend online at auburngrace.com, on the Response Form, or at the Men's Ministry table in the Courtyard today. \$5 suggested donation for

# LOOKING TO GET CONNECTED AND SERVE? Join our SET-UP TEAM!

We are looking for folks to be part of a crew that will set up for special events and Sunday services. This is not a weekly commitment. You will be contacted as needed. If interested, contact Jeff Grady at jgrady@auburngrace.com or sign up on the Response Form.

# 456 KIDS-GLOW IN THE DARK NIGHT This Friday, September 27, 5:00-8:00 pm, Room 103

Come to this fun game night and bring your friends! Everything will be done under black lights. Even your meal will be served with glow in the dark plates and utensils! Mark your calendars and make sure not to miss this fun event here at Auburn Grace. Please RSVP soon so we have enough goodies for everyone. Sign up on the Response Form, in class or email Terese at tcoburn@auburngrace.com.

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# **ENCOMPASS WORLD PARTNERS INTERNSHIPS FOR 2019-2020**

scholarship information, contact cmalarae@auburngrace.com

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT

"Daughters of Zion"

October 18-20 at Zephyr Point, Lake Tahoe

YOU are invited to join the women of Auburn Grace for a weekend

away in the mountains. Let's connect with one another and our Lord.

Learn how to abide in Him as daughters of the King who are adored,

cherished, and forgiven. Cost: \$215. If you would like to "share a bed"

you may sign-up with a friend and the cost for each will be \$150.

Register online or in the courtyard today. For questions and

Are you interested in missions but don't know where to start? Encompass World Partners is the cross-cultural ministries arm of Charis Fellowship churches. They are currently taking applications for missions opportunities in places like France, Japan, Central Asia and even Atlanta, Georgia. It can be anywhere from 1 month to 9 months!

If you want to discuss the idea, please contact bbye@auburngrace.com or go online to: encompassworldpartners.org/internships

### **FLOWERS OF GRACE**

This is a new ministry at AGCC to encourage others through the gift of fresh flowers. Did you know that AGCC has a garden on site? If you are interested in watering and tending the flowers, making and/or coordinating the flower arrangements for people within our church body and throughout the community, please contact Leah Capuchino at lcapuchino@auburngrace.com

### IS YOUR MARRIAGE IMPORTANT TO YOU?

A Weekend to Remember, sponsored by FamilyLife, entices you to invest in and strengthen your marriage—no matter how firm or fragile. You're finally getting away-to get back to what matters. Increase your commitment—and your closeness.

The closest event is in Sacramento on November 22-24. Save 50% off registrations now thru 9/23 with promo code: SAVE50. Register with group name AuburnGrace. The discount applies to any of the 95 events in the US during the next 12 months. Register at familylife.com/weekend-to-remember/

### NATALIE GRANT & NANCY ALCORN LIVE

Mercy Multiplied is one of our partners in Lincoln, CA. Mercy Multiplied is a Christian organization that offers a residential program for young women who struggle with various "life controlling" issues such as eating disorders, depression, self-harm, abuse issues, and drug and alcohol addictions. You're invited to join Mercy Multiplied as we celebrate the ten year anniversary of our California home. Enjoy music lead by special guest, Natalie Grant, hear stories of lives transformed from Mercy graduates and a special message from Founder and President, Nancy Alcorn. Thursday, September 26 at 7:00 pm at Destiny Christian Church in Rocklin. Tickets: \$20 for general admission.

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## **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 E-mail
# youth attending
Men of Intention Fall Breakfast: 10/12 # attending
♦ Baby Dedication: 10/13 Full Name of Baby/Child: Which service do you prefer? □ 8:30 am □ 10:15 am
☐ Special Events Set-up Team

## STRONG WOMEN, MIGHTY MEN

Part 1.1 Abigail, a woman caught between two 'Kings' 1 Samuel 25

The wisdom to respond PROMPTLY

vs. 18-23

1. Abigail promptly fulfilled her cultural OBLIGATION vs.

2. Abigail promptly moved to <u>PROTECT</u> her family/business vs. 23

The wisdom to respond <u>TACTFULLY</u>

vs. 23-35

1. Abigail's strength of HUMILITY

vs. 23-25

2. Abigail's strength of TRUTHFULNESS vs. 26-31

• She <u>CAUTIONS</u> David

vs. 26, 31

She acknowledges FAULT

vs. 25, 27

• She has <u>FAITH</u> in God's plan

vs. 28-30

3. David grants Abigail's <u>PETITION</u>

vs. 32-35

The wisdom to respond **HONESTLY** 

vs. 36-37

• Her intention to **IMMEDIATELY** inform Nabal

vs. 36

• Her <u>PROMPT</u> morning honesty

vs. 37

God VINDICATES both Abigail and David

vs. 37-42

NEITHER Abigail nor David killed Nabal

vs. 38

David and Abigail MARRY

vs. 39-42

Abigail's 'intelligence' will be tested in DAVID'S house vs. 43-44

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### Life Group Discussion Questions - September 22, 2019

**1 Samuel 25:25:** Please do not let my lord pay attention to this worthless man, Nabal, for as his name is, so is he. Nabal is his name and folly is with him; but I your maidservant did not see the young men of my lord whom you sent.

### QUICK REVIEW

- 1. Re-read 1 Samuel 25:1-17. Pastor Phil taught us that the name Nabal means "fool" and that he was a Calebite or "snapping dog." The name was ascribed to Nabal because of his character. What verses do you see in the passage that corroborates these ideas? In our present-day culture, how long does it take for a person's character to be established in a good sense? In a bad sense (like Nabal's)?
- 2. Abigail was caught up in a complex situation. What were the factors that made things so complicated? Did Abigail have the counsel of the Holy Spirit? What virtues did she have that she could implement to diffuse the escalating crisis?

### MY STORY

- 1. Read 1 Samuel 25:18-44. From these verses, we find that Abigail was decisive. She **discerned** that "time was of the essence." (see vv. 18, 23, 34) In your experience, how did waiting (or procrastinating) affect a difficult situation you were in? How would have acting sooner changed the outcome?
- 2. Abigail seized the opportunity to intercede on her foolish husband's behalf. Have you ever acted in the role of mediator or arbitrator? Or...have you witnessed someone else acting in this capacity? List the character traits that you think are most observable or desirable of successful mediators. Would God agree with your list? Why or why not?

### **GOING DEEP**

- 1. Re-read Abigail's petition to David. (vv. 23-31) What was it about Abigail's appeal that stopped David and his men in their tracks? There were nine things that she did that were effective in appeasing David's temper. What were they? Would this same gambit be as effective in our present-day Western culture? Why is that?
- 2. Abigail's intercession was, in essence, indirect confrontation. Discuss the benefits of indirectly opposing a stronger challenger or leader. How can being a peacemaker or mediator move trying circumstances towards relational restoration?
- 3. In terms of recompense (payment in full), why was it so important that David receive from Abigail what was owed to him? Discuss the implications if she hadn't gifted David.

### 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?