

# This Week at AGCC

SUNDAY
<b>Worship Services:</b> 8:30 & 10:15 am <b>Preparing for Baptism Class:</b> 8:30 am, Room 204 <b>Oakwood Village Service:</b> 1:45 pm
TUESDAY
<b>Twice a Month Men's Bible Study-Ephesians:</b> 9:00-10:15 am, Room 200
WEDNESDAY
<b>Women's Bible Study Brunch:</b> 9:30-11:30 am, Auditorium <b>Jr. High Youth Group:</b> 6:30-8:00 pm, Room 204 <b>HSM Youth Group:</b> 6:30-8:00 pm, Room 205 <b>Worship Practice:</b> 6:30 pm, Auditorium
THURSDAY
<b>Young Adults Life Group:</b> 7:00 pm, Text AGYOUNG to 97000 for details. <b>Men of Intention—Conquer Series:</b> A Christ-centered quest for sexual purity, 7:00 pm, Room 207
SATURDAY
<b>Takin' it to the Streets:</b> 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
<b>Worship Services:</b> 8:30 & 10:15 am <b>Preparing for Baptism Class:</b> 8:30 am, Room 204 <b>HSM Enchilada Sales Pick-up:</b> After service in the Courtyard <b>Operation Christmas Child boxes due</b> <b>Oakwood Village Service:</b> 1:45 pm

- ♦ **Jr. High Sock & Shampoo Drive:** November 17-24
- ♦ **Sewers & Rippers Christmas Luncheon:** December 3
- ♦ **Hosting the Gathering Inn:** December 5
- ♦ **MOPS:** December 6
- ♦ **A Family Christmas Experience:** December 6
- ♦ **Christmas Concert by Sanctus Real:** December 7 & 8
- ♦ **HSM Christmas Game Night:** December 11
- ♦ **Jr. High Christmas Dinner:** December 18
- ♦ **456 Christmas Party:** December 18
- ♦ **Christmas Eve Services:** December 24
- ♦ **MOPS:** January 3
- ♦ **Women's Winter Bible Study:** January 8
- ♦ **Wednesday Night Live-Winter Session:** January 8
- ♦ **HSM Thrive Unleashed Conference:** January 17-18
- ♦ **Connection Sunday:** January 19
- ♦ **GriefShare - Loss of a Spouse Seminar:** January 23
- ♦ **Grief Share Group:** 13-week session begins February 6
- ♦ **MOPS:** February 7

## Upcoming Events

## Who Goes Where?

8:30 am Service	
Nursery: Birth-Age 4	Room 104
Discovering God Class	RESUMES in January
Intersections Class	Room 209
10:15 am Service	
Nursery: Birth-Age 1	Room 104
Nursery: 1 - 2 (with diaper)	Room 101
Young Preschool: 2—3 Yr. Olds	Room 102
Older Preschool: 4 Yr. Olds	Room 203
Kindergarten	Room 201
1st Grade	Room 207
2nd-3rd Grade	Room 202
4th-6th Grade	Room 204
7th-8th Grade	Room 204 - B
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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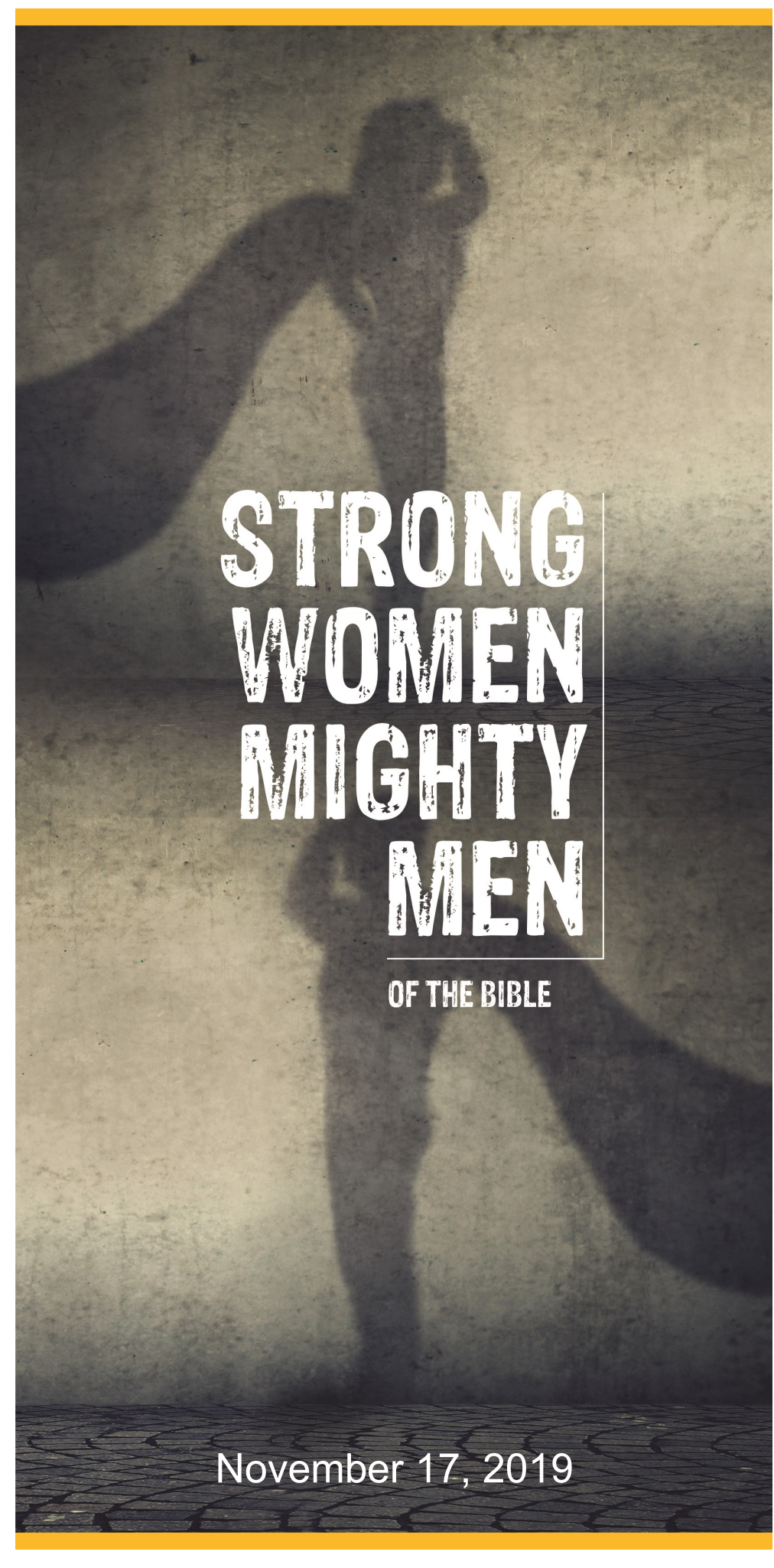


**AUBURN GRACE**  
Community Church

"Making Jesus Famous by Connecting, Growing and Serving"

OFFICE HOURS	MAILING ADDRESS	LOCATION	CONTACT US
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**STRONG  
WOMEN  
MIGHTY  
MEN**  
OF THE BIBLE

November 17, 2019



# 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**

**Nurse care, children, youth and adult class schedules** are listed on the back of the bulletin.

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 at the Welcome Center.

**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.

For more information about our **Gracetown Preschool**, offered Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, go to [gracetownpreschool.com](http://gracetownpreschool.com)

## 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, January 19

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](http://auburngrace.com).

Thank You  
Christmas is Here  
Connect  
S & R  
Baptism

## MANY THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROUS THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS

We are thankful to the Lord for where He has brought us and for the momentum as we move forward. The amount of the Thanksgiving Celebration Offering is \$48,053 and growing.

## CHRISTMAS IS HERE!

### A FAMILY CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE

Friday, December 6, 5:00-8:00 pm

Join us this evening as we usher in the Christmas season. Bring your family to enjoy traditional Christmas festivities in the courtyard, including FREE train rides, children's activities, caroling, Grace Theater featuring your favorite Christmas movie clips, photo booth, lots of goodies to eat and much more! Open house style. Please sign up on the Response Form or online at [auburngrace.com](http://auburngrace.com).

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT with SANCTUS REAL

We are excited to announce a **Christmas Concert by Sanctus Real** on Saturday and Sunday. Sanctus Real's 20 year history of creating music has garnered eight #1 singles, seventeen 'top 10' radio singles, two Grammy Award @ nominations, 1 million + singles sold, and a cumulative 750,000 albums sold. Invite your neighbors, co-workers, friends and family! **Tickets on sale ONLINE.** (For assistance, stop by the church office during office hours.)

Two concert options are available:

**Saturday, December 7, 7:00 pm— Concert Seating (\$20)**

Enjoy delicious complimentary refreshments in the courtyard before the show. Reserved seating. Doors open at 6:00 pm.

**Sunday, December 8, 2:30 pm— Round Table Seating (\$25)**

Desserts and beverages will be served to you at your round table of 8. Doors open at 2:00 pm.

### CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES

Bring your family and friends, 4:00 pm & 5:30 pm

## THANKSGIVING 'HOME STAY'

### Students from International Hospitality House, SF

We are looking for families who would like to host international students in their home over the Thanksgiving holiday. The students will arrive in Auburn around 12:30 pm on Thanksgiving Day and will stay overnight and leave around 10:00 am on Friday, November 29. This is a great way to share the love of Jesus! Please indicate your interest on the Response Form.

### SEWERS & RIPPERS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

All women interested in joining Sewers & Rippers in 2020 are cordially invited to join us at our Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday, December 3, 11:00 am—2:00 pm in the Auditorium. Please sign up on the Response Form or call Rita Browning, 530-823-2163.

Weekly meetings will resume next year on Tuesday, January 7.

### NEXT BAPTISM—Sunday, December 29

If you would like to participate in baptism, please indicate your interest on the Response Form. A staff member will call to set up a time for you to meet with Pastor Greg **before December 15.**

Opportunities  
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Opportunities  
Resource

## JUNIOR HIGH KIDS HELP THE COMMUNITY!

Jr. High youth are participating in a "Socks and Shampoo" Drive and need your help! On **November 17th and 24th** our Junior High youth will be in the courtyard collecting socks and travel size shampoo bottles. The collection is for the homeless community with the Gathering Inn. On **December 7th** the youth will then bring the donations collected from our church to the Gathering Inn in Roseville and serve lunch. Please help our youth in this endeavor as they serve the homeless.

## HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY ENCHILADA SALE!

The students are selling pans of their famous chicken enchiladas for pick-up next Sunday. **All proceeds from the sale will be used as a charity outreach in our community during the holiday season.** Cost is \$20 (feeds 4-6). Place your pre-order today in the courtyard. **Pre-pay guarantees your order.** Any UNPAID pre-orders will be sold if not picked up on November 24.

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Shoebboxes available after service in the Courtyard  
~ Collecting packed boxes until next Sunday ~

## TURKEY DRIVE

The Auburn Interfaith Food Closet is hosting their annual Auburn area TURKEY DRIVE for low income families. You can help by purchasing a frozen turkey (10-14lbs) at a sponsoring grocery store. They will deliver it for you or you can deliver it yourself on November 23 from 9:00 am-5:00 pm to the Auburn Grocery Outlet parking lot at 414 Grass Valley Highway.

For complete details, go [auburnfoodcloset.org](http://auburnfoodcloset.org).

## BE A SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGER!

When the "Red Kettle" appears you know it is Christmas time! The traditional red kettle is an integral part of the Christmas scene, with millions of dollars donated each year to aid needy families, seniors, and the homeless. You can easily sign-up for a shift by:

Following the link to the Salvation Army Volunteer site, <https://volunteer.usawest.org/OpportunityDetail.aspx?ID=4437>, emailing Lieutenant Jesse Posner at [Jesse.Posner@usw.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Jesse.Posner@usw.salvationarmy.org) or calling 530-889-3990 ext. 216

## ANCIENT PROMISE MINISTRIES

### Presents

### "ALL DECKED OUT"

Fine Dining and Live Music Fundraiser  
Vian Estates Winery  
November 23 - 6:00-8:30 pm

Get your tickets today in the courtyard. Cost \$50

## GRACE CONNECT

GraceConnect is the quarterly magazine and online news site that helps the ministries and people of the Charis Fellowship (Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches) connect for prayer, ministry, and fellowship. **See the latest issue at [graceconnect.us](http://graceconnect.us) which includes an article about Access2019 National Conference hosted at AGCC this summer.** To receive a free subscription, mailed directly to your home, send your mailing address to GraceConnect, Box 544, Winona Lake, Ind., 46590, or via email to [h Hubbard@bhmhbooks.com](mailto:h Hubbard@bhmhbooks.com).

## 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 \_\_\_\_\_

**Thanksgiving 'Home Stay' - House students from International Hospitality House: 11/28-29**

**Sewers & Rippers Christmas Luncheon: 12/3**

# attending \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Christmas Experience: 12/6**

# Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Ages of Children \_\_\_\_\_

◆ **Baptism: 12/29**

8:30 service  10:15 service

Full name of person to be baptized:

\_\_\_\_\_

# STRONG WOMEN, MIGHTY MEN

Part 6.0

Mary, the mother of Jesus

Luke 2

- God often uses **OBSCURE** and **EVERYDAY** people to accomplish His work
  - Mary had a **LOW PROFILE** personality
  - Mary recognized her need for a **SAVIOR**
  - Significant roles rarely come from **PROMINENT** positions  
1 Corinthians 1:18-31
- Mary understood her role was a **GIFT** to her, an **OPPORTUNITY**
  - Messiah could have been born to **SOMEONE ELSE**  
Luke 11:27-28
- Following God's path does not necessitate a **CLEAR** roadmap!
  - Obedience is often cloaked in **MYSTERY**
  - God is working in the **DARK ROOM** of the future
- Application: Being usable is all about being **AVAILABLE** and **AGREEABLE!**
  - Availability has to do with **TIME** and **PRIORITIES**.
  - Agreeability has to do with **COURAGE** and **CHANGEABILITY**.  
Are you available to be used?  
Are you changeable enough to be usable?

## Life Group Questions – November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Ephesians 2:10 *'For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.'*

### QUICK REVIEW

1. How can Christians claim with confidence that they fully trust in God? What is it about God's character that makes Him so reliable? (see 1 Kings 8:56)
2. What is the relationship between *faith* and *faithfulness*?

### MY STORY

1. We live in a culture that says, "Look at me!" We want to be noticed. We desire to be important. What are some common, everyday ways that we demonstrate haughty lifestyles? What areas in your life do you think you might "tone down?" Why is this so difficult to do?
2. Read Micah 6:8. In what ways have you observed others walking humbly with God? How has God honored their attitude? Has God blessed you as a result of your low-profile personality? Describe a time when you may have missed-out on His blessing because your heart wasn't right.
3. In what ways can you say that you've been given "marching orders" from the Lord? How well have you done fulfilling His role(s) for you? Explain.
4. What is it about your unique background that God wants to bring out for His purposes?

### GOING DEEP

1. Why is it so important to be obedient to God when you don't have 100% certainty?
2. Read Luke 11:27-28. Where was the honor intended to be by the woman who cried out? Did Jesus dishonor His mother when He redirected the blessing? Why did He do this?
3. Read Esther 4:13-14. Has God has put you in a particular place that you need to see the reason He has put you there? Are you wishing in your heart that you could do something *else* for Jesus rather than embracing His plan for you? Will His plans be thwarted if you don't comply? How can you know this?
4. Read Luke 1:45. "And blessed is (your name) who believes that there would be fulfillment of what had been spoken to (your name) by the LORD." Does your faith play an active role in fulfilling God's promises? How so? How available and changeable are you for God?

### 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 **you** to remember?