

This Week at AGCC

SUNDAY
Worship Services: 8:30 & 10:15 am Connection Sunday: 12:00 pm, Room 200
MONDAY
Office Closed: Martin Luther King Jr. Day
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 Twice a Month Men's Bible Study-Ephesians: 9:00-10:15 am, Room 200
WEDNESDAY
Women's Bible Study-A Heart like His: 9:30-11:30 am, Auditorium 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
GriefShare-Loss of a Spouse Seminar: 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Room 209 Young Adults Life Group: 7:00 pm, text AGYOUNG to 97000 Men of Intention—Conquer Series: A Christ-centered quest for sexual purity, 7:00 pm, Room 207
FRIDAY
456 Rockin' Jump: 4:30 pm, Meet at Auburn Grace
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 Men's Dinner: 5:00-7:00 pm, Auditorium
NEXT SUNDAY
Worship Services: 8:30 & 10:15 am Meet-n-Greet the Daniels: 12:00 pm, The Café Oakwood Village Service: 1:45 pm

- ◆ **Hosting The Gathering Inn:** January 30
- ◆ **Jr. High Bowling Night:** January 31
- ◆ **456 Food Drive:** February 2
- ◆ **Super Bowl Party Tray pick-up:** February 2
- ◆ **Beautiful Minds Wellness 1-day Course:** February 3
- ◆ **Grief Share Group 13-week session begins:** February 6
- ◆ **MOPS:** February 7
- ◆ **MOPS-Story Time:** February 21
- ◆ **Comedy Night with Andrew Stanley:** February 21

Upcoming Events

Who Goes Where?

8:30 am Service	
Nursery: Birth-Age 4	Room 104
Discovering God Class	RESUMES February 2
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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by Connecting, Growing
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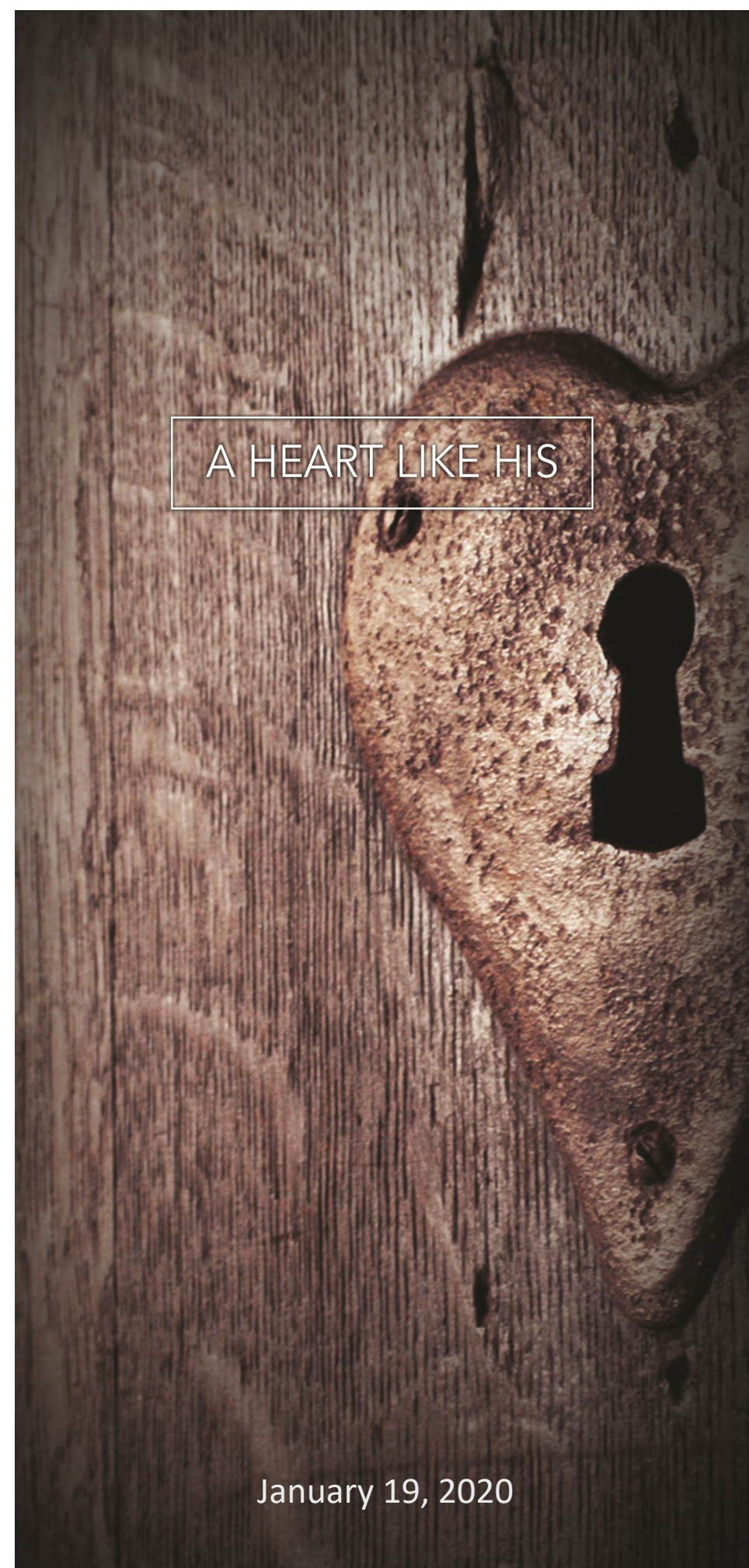
OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Thursday
9 AM - 4 PM

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A HEART LIKE HIS

January 19, 2020



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

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, TODAY

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.

New App

456 Kids

Fundraiser

Men's Dinner

Missions

Jr High

Donate

Mental Health

DOWNLOAD THE NEW AUBURN GRACE APP!

Stay connected at AGCC! Download our NEW app on your phones to
have easy access to livestream, sermon podcasts, the Bible, online
giving, Pastor Dave's blog, our calendar, and more.

We want your feedback! Please give us your suggestions or ideas on
the Response Form to make the App even better.

456 KIDS ROCKIN' JUMP

Our 456 kids are going to Rockin' Jump in Roseville, **Friday, January 24th**. (Date change!) \$20.00 includes 2 hours of free jump, 2 games of laser tag and dinner! We will leave the church at 4:30 pm and return by 8:30 pm. Please RSVP by TODAY because space is limited on the bus. Sign up in the classroom or the Response Form today.

SUPER BOWL PARTY TRAY FUNDRAISER

Support our students by purchasing a party tray for your Super Bowl Party! Choose from several options of favorite finger foods. like buffalo wings, bean dip, and more for \$20/tray. **Pre-Order by January 29** and it will be ready for pick up on February 2 after both services. You can place your order in the Courtyard TODAY! All proceeds go to students raising money for Hume Lake Christian Camp.

MEN'S DINNER — January 25, 5:00–7:00 pm

We are excited to host Pastor John Lynch of TRUEFACED ministries at our annual winter event. The goal of TRUEFACED is to challenge men of God to live as Children of Light (Ephesians 5:8). \$5 donation at the door. See Pastor Dave in the courtyard today or register online or on the Response Form. Optional shooting activity, 2:00-4:30 pm.

MATT AND JEN DANIELS

AGCC SENT MISSIONARIES TO JAPAN

Matt and Jen are in the US and coming to Auburn from January 22-February 6th! We will have a time for you to see them and hear about their ministry next **Sunday, January 26** at 12:00 in the Cafe. Join us for a light lunch. Let us know you're coming on the Response Form OR if you're interested in hosting them for lunch or dinner!

JR. HIGH BOWLING NIGHT — FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

Jr. High youth are heading to Strikes Bowling Alley in Roseville. The bus will leave at 5:00 pm and be back by 9:00 pm. \$20.00 will include bowling and dinner! Sign up in the classroom or on the Response Form to reserve your spot on the bus. Last day to RSVP, January 26. Questions, email Terese at tcoburn@auburngrace.com

456 ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE SERVICE PROJECT!

Please help support our kids and bring in canned goods on Sunday **February 2**. The children will be at the doors before services to collect your donations. You can't miss them; they will be dressed in sports jerseys since it is Super Bowl Sunday.

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID FOR OLDER ADULTS

AGCC and Beautiful Minds Wellness will be sponsoring a Mental Health First Aid for Older Adults (MHFA) education program on **Monday, February 3** from 8 am to 4:30 pm. Cost is \$25.00. MHFA introduces participants to risk factors and warning signs of mental health problems, builds understanding of their impact, and teaches appropriate supports for referral. Like CPR, MHFA teaches tools for participants to approach, connect with, and support a person experiencing a mental health crisis. Mental health information (such as anxiety, depression, substance use disorders and others) for adults 18+, and information specific to adults 60+ is included. Anyone 18+ is encouraged to attend. Please register at www.beautifulmindswellness.org/workshops or call (530) 217-3870.

Serve

MOPS

Connect

Grief/Share

Connect

Connect

IT'S A NEW YEAR.....LOOKING FOR A WAY TO SERVE AND USE YOUR GIFTS?

Our class sizes have increased and the Children's Ministry Team has a few opportunities available. Training, exercise during worship, snacks, unlimited high fives, plus the ultimate blessing...reaching kids for Christ and discipling children. Just some of the blessings from joining our team! Contact Terese Coburn, tcoburn@auburngrace.com for more information.

JOIN MOPS (MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS)

An opportunity for moms of preschoolers to relax, meet other moms, receive mentorship and guidance! Childcare is provided for children ages 0-5. This group meets the 1st Friday of each month until summer 9am-11am in the Cafe.

CULINARY AND GAME CONNECTION GROUPS

A great opportunity to get better acquainted with others in our church body by sharing a meal or enjoying a game night. We are forming new groups for the next rotation beginning in February. Sign up for either group on the Response Form or online. For any questions, contact Jo Kennedy at jkennedy@auburngrace.com or 530-887-8256.

GRIEFSHARE

New 13-week session GriefShare group begins **February 6** on Thursdays, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Women only at this time. Please register online or on the Response Form.

COMEDY NIGHT AT AUBURN GRACE

FEBRUARY 21, 7:00 PM DOORS OPEN 6:30 PM

Come join us for an evening of laughter and fun! Invite your family and friends to enjoy featured stand-up comedian Andrew Stanley and opening musical comedy by local Riley Armstrong. Food trucks will be available 5:00-6:30 pm on site for optional dinner before the show. Tickets \$15/person (general seating). Free childcare available; pre-registration required. Tickets on sale in the courtyard and online.

MY BEST FRIEND'S CLOSET — FEBRUARY 28-29

Beginning January 26, we will be collecting gently-used MEN'S, CHILDREN'S and WOMEN'S clothing, shoes and accessories! Join our team! Serve with other volunteers February 27th, 28th and 29th to provide cost-free clothing to our church family and members of our community. To volunteer, sign up on the Response Form. For more information contact Leah at lcapuchino@auburngrace.com.

WOMEN'S SPRING TEA — SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, APRIL 4 - 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Join our Spring Tea team as a table hostess on Saturday, April 4th. Each hostess decorates her table in her own unique style and also has the first opportunity to purchase tickets for guests. Every hostess provides a teapot, serving utensils, plates, glasses, cups, napkins and silverware for eight guests to set her table; food and beverages are provided. Hostesses are asked to set their tables on Friday April 3rd. A Hostess Meeting is scheduled for February 24 at 6:00 pm, to assist you with a detailed checklist and instructions.

If interested, please sign up on the Response Form or visit our table in the Courtyard today.

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 _____

GriefShare—Loss of a Spouse Seminar: 1/23

456 Rockin' Jump: 1/24

Attending _____

Men's Dinner with John Lynch: 1/25

◆ **Matt and Jen Daniels, Missionaries**

Meet-in-Greet with lunch, 1/26

Attending _____

I want to meet with Matt & Jen during their stay

Jr. High Bowling Night: 1/31

Attending _____

GriefShare—13 week session for women: 2/6

Volunteer—My Best Friend's Closet: 2/27-29

Women's Spring Tea Hostess

Game Connections

Culinary Connections

Give us your feedback on the new app!

A HEART LIKE HIS

Part 3.0 The Great Fish Story– Fact or Fiction Jonah 1:17-2:10

Our foundation

- The Bible is an INSPIRED collection of ancient documents
2 Tim. 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:20-21
- God spoke in such a way as to be UNDERSTOOD: common languages
- The LANGUAGE used in the Bible explains itself; genres or indicators

Our options

- The great fish is a FIGURE OF SPEECH; a metaphor, allegory, or parable
- The great fish story is FOLKLORE or a myth perpetuated as real
- The great fish story is LITERAL, a miraculous anomaly from God

Our questions

- What did the original AUTHOR intend the original AUDIENCE to understand?
- What have other biblical AUTHORS understood about this event?
- Did JESUS speak about this at all?

Our text

- The GREAT fish – (*dag*) a sea Beast 1:17, 2:1, 10
- The Lord APPOINTED the great fish 1:17, 4:6, 7, 8
- The Lord SPOKE to the Fish 2:10
- Three DAYS and three NIGHTS – A SIGN of Christ Matt. 12:38-41
- The INDICATOR words of the narrative (watch for *like* or *as*) Compare to Daniel 7:4-6 (*like, resembled*); 8:3, 20 (symbol of something else)

Life Group Questions – January 19th, 2020

Matthew 12:40-41 “...for just as JONAH WAS THREE DAYS AND THREE NIGHTS IN THE BELLY OF THE SEA MONSTER, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh will stand up with this generation at the judgment, and will condemn it because they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and behold, something greater than Jonah is here.”

QUICK REVIEW

1. God has compassion and love for all people regardless of race, religion or the sins they commit. But Jonah harbored deep bigotry for the Assyrians. Is your heart more like God’s or Jonah’s? What would your first thoughts be if a person with known “big sins” visited your Life Group? Would you respond with celebration or skepticism?
2. If you walked away from your faith, what impact would that have on other’s lives in your sphere of influence? Do you find this idea to be freeing or encumbering? Explain.

MY STORY

1. What kinds of stories do we hear in the news today that cause us to be skeptical? To be fearful? To be in agreement with? How does a person’s or organization’s reputation affect the authenticity of their claims? Besides their relative track records, what does else does it take for them to be reliable?
2. What other miraculous stories in the Biblical narratives can you think of that are seemingly just as outlandish as a man being swallowed whole by a fish, yet remaining alive in its belly for three days? Have you ever tried to explain these events to an unbeliever? How did that turn out?

GOING DEEP

1. Read Jonah 1:17, 4:6-8. With God’s sovereignty in mind, what does the term “appointed” mean?
2. Read Matthew 12:38-41. How is desiring to see a miraculous sign an expression of inwardly wanting to reject Jesus? (see Matt. 16:1, Mark 8:11-12, Luke 11:16, John 2:18, 6:30) What would the results have been if Jesus did provide a miracle?
3. We have been given reasoning, scientific minds that could offer plausible explanations for apparent absurdities in the Bible (stories beyond human experience). How must we ultimately view these supernatural events? How can we “safely” make this distinction with our unbelieving friends?
4. Pastor Phil cautioned us, saying in essence, “If we turn the *great fish of Jonah* into a figure of speech, without the proper textual indicators, we open the door to reinterpreting any passage of the Bible to say whatever we would like it to say.” What are textual indicators? Do you agree with Phil? Why or why not?

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?