



FALL SERMON SERIES



THE MANTLE

ELIJAH, ELISHA, AND A LEGACY THAT OUTLIVES US

September 26, 2026



AZURE HILLS CHURCH



Worship

Prelude		Gospel Band
Ordinance of Humility		Pastor Tara VinCross
Opening Song	<i>Bless The Lord Oh My Soul</i>	Gospel Choir
Prayer	Jadiel Lever Legrand*; Kwasi Ntim**	
Welcome		Pastor Tara VinCross
Lamb's Offering Song	<i>Lord I Lift Your Name on High</i>	Gospel Choir
Children's Story		Pastor Sabina Vieira
Offering Invitation		Katie Sacdalan
Offertory		Gospel Band
Scripture - 1 Kings 19:7 & Prayer		Katie Sacdalan
Prayer Song	<i>Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus</i>	Gospel Choir
Praise & Worship	<i>Who Else Medley</i>	Called to Worship
Sermon	<i>Bread for the Journey</i>	Pastor Tara VinCross
Communion		Pastor Tara VinCross
	Pastor Gabriel Morales & Pastor George Tuyu*	
	Pastor Mike Leno & Pastor Daniel Xisto**	
Praise & Worship	<i>The Blood Will Never Lose it's Power</i>	Gospel Choir
Closing Song	<i>Because He Lives Medley</i>	Gospel Choir
Benediction		Pastor Tara VinCross
Postlude	(Please maintain reverence during the postlude)	Gospel Band

Gospel Choir Director: Judith Thomas

Gospel Band: Chidike Nwankwo, Joel Oswari, & Josiah VinCross

Called to Worship Singers: Rianna Bathini, Isabella Repelin,
Elisa Salcedo, & Ruth Thomas

Called to Worship Musicians: Preston Isidro, Marcus Blackerby,
Brielle Farley, Naomi Thomas, Hervé Thomas Jr., & Josiah VinCross

Deacons in Charge: Mike Acquistapace & Haroldo Salcedo

Sunset Today: 6:40 pm

Sunset Friday, October 2: 6:38 pm

First Service*, Second Service**

Announcements

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APPY SABBATH

Welcome to the Azure Hills Church! We invite you to use the Connection Cards found at the Welcome Center and in the pews for prayer requests, special needs, membership transfers, and comments. If you are a first-time guest with us, we have a gift for you at the Welcome Center.

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ERMON TODAY

Join us today as we begin a brand new Fall Sermon Series, **The Mantle**, walking through the stories of Elijah and Elisha.

It's a journey about mentoring and mission: God's work that outlasts every person, and faith that is lived and passed across borders and generations. But before God renews Elijah's mission and call to mentor, we find that God gives him a meal. This week at our 9 am and 11:45 am services, Pastor Tara VinCross brings us a message titled *Bread for the Journey*, from 1 Kings 19:5-8. Exhausted, afraid, ready to give up, Elijah falls asleep under a broom tree. God comes with a gentle word: get up and eat; this journey is too much for you. This Sabbath, as we gather around the Communion Table, we gather strength for the journey ahead. We will enjoy worship music led by Judith Thomas and the Gospel Choir, with Hervé Thomas on keyboard. We can't wait to see you here!

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ABBATH SCHOOL LESSON STUDY GUIDE

The 4th Quarter 2026 Sabbath School Lesson Quarterlies are available at the Welcome

Center and in the Sabbath School classrooms. We also have some in a basket outside the church office.

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LOOD DRIVE

Have you given the Gift of Life? Assist patients and their loved ones at this critical time by giving blood. Lifestream is hosting a Blood Drive today from 10 am to 2 pm in the Blood Mobile. Walk-ins are welcome. Come and donate blood! Every pint saves up to 3 lives!

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IBLE STUDY ON LUKE

Pastor Mike Leno will lead a group Bible study on the book of Luke beginning next Tuesday, September 29, from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm. The discussions will continue every Tuesday in the Small Fellowship Hall. Contact Pastor Mike Leno for more information.

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OGETHER WEEKEND

Save the date and plan to spend the day with us! Camp Meeting at Azure Hills is coming Sabbath, October 10, and we are planning a full day of worship, community service, and connection for all ages.

Chris Oberg will be our featured speaker, sharing Part One at 9 am and Part Two at 11:45 am. Between the two messages, we will come together for a special all-church Sabbath School experience. Rather than meeting in our usual adult Sabbath School classes, we are inviting all of our groups to gather together in the sanctuary for a meaningful time of conversation, reflection, and connection.

Then, we are taking Camp Meeting beyond the walls of the church! From 2 pm-4 pm, we will serve our community together with more than a dozen volunteer opportunities to choose from. Our hope is that every church member, every visitor, and everyone who spends the day with us will find a place to serve. A sack lunch and Azure Hills T-shirt will be provided to everyone who registers.

And the day isn't over yet! Come back in the evening for a church-wide Game Night. The courts will be open for the kids, and there will be games and fun for seniors, families, and everyone in between. Worship together. Learn together. Serve together. Play together. Mark your calendar now for Saturday, October 10, and plan to spend the whole day with your Azure Hills family. You can register at azurehills.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3850703

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IONONIA (55+) BINGO

Gene and Linda Rice will be sponsoring bingo at the Elias Community Center on Tuesday, October 6, from 1 pm-3 pm. Please bring your favorite snacks to share and enjoy.

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RAYER MEETING

Join us for a monthly prayer meeting on Tuesday, October 13th, from 7pm-8pm in the Elias Community Center as we meditate on the fruit of the Spirit, precisely "patience or longsuffering". Please come and learn how you can wait on The Lord during the challenging times. We will praise God and pray together as one family of God. Come and be blessed. Sister Anna Thomas will be coordinating it. If you have any questions, please contact Phoebe Olukaikpe at prayer@azurehills.org. Shalom!

Prayer Requests

Challenging cancer:

Danny Aceres; Levi Bareng; Vicki Berry; Donald Charboneau; Jerry Garcia; Gladys Garth; Luz Lopez; Anna Rivera; Beth Robertson; Saul Silva, Jr.; Gunter Smailus; Melicia Walwyn

Other medical needs:

Walter Anderson; Elizabeth Arellano; Amorette Carlucci; Bill Campbell; Kaylee Chinchay; Luis Chinchay; Martha Correa; Carolina Torres de Garcia; Deanna Glindmeyer; Michael Grout; Jodie Johnson; Paula Ibanez; Gina Kirby; Nicholas Logsdon; Samuel Lopez; Daniel McCann; Jared Oxley; Sara Parks; Roy Reed; Nigel Robertson; Gloria Santana; Alfred Simental; Gordon Talge

Other prayer requests:

Arellano Family; Blanca Chinchay; Maria Frederick; Gianna; Colleen Logsdon; Donna McCann; Josh Self; Vasile Muresan

Those Serving Our Country:
Tashana Lewis

We live stream our services at www.azurehills.org and on our YouTube Channel.

Church Calendar

September

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October

26	Sermon - Pastor Tara VinCross	26-27	Adventurer Club Backyard Campout	2	Children's Harmony 6 pm-Sanc Children's Choir 6:30 pm-Sanc
26	Blood Drive 10 am-2 pm - Blood Mobile	29	Luke Bible Study 2:30 pm - Small Fellowship Hall	2	Orchestra Practice 7 pm - Sanc Chorale Practice 7:15pm - MC1
26	Gospel Choir Practice 1:30 pm - MC1	30	Ladies LIFT 10 am - MC1	3	Sermon - Pastor Tara VinCross
26	Guitar Circle 5 pm - Elias Community Center	30	Church Board Meeting 7 pm - Fellowship Hall	3	Cherub Choir Practice 1:30 pm - S6

CHURCH AT STUDY

10:30-11:30 AM

Grace Notes	Sanctuary
Love Well	HH-6
Parents Class	MC-8
Quest: To Know God	HH-2
The Fringe	Cottage-1
Ladies Table Talk	Cottage-2
Spanish Class	Cottage-3
Indonesian Class	HH-3
Collective: Young Adults	ECC-1
Collegiate	ECC-2
Connect: Group Discussions	ECC-3
Power House (High School)	MC-6
Earliteen (Jr. High)	MC-7
Juniors (Grades 5 & 6)	MC-9
Primary II (Grades 3 & 4)	MC-5
Primary I (Grades 1 & 2)	MC-4
Kindergarten (Age 5 to Grade 1)	MC-10
Pre-K (4 yo)	MC-3
Tiny Tots (Age 2-3)	MC-2
Cradle Roll (Birth-23 months)	HH-4

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