



GLENDALE CITY CHURCH of SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS



Finding God at the Intersection of Our Lives

September 29, 2018

TODAY'S OPTIONS @ THE PERSONAL GROWTH MARKETPLACE

- 9:00 a.m.: Courtyard Café, Central Courtyard
- 9:00-11 a.m.: Communitas JumpStart Center, Central Courtyard
- 9:30 a.m.: Study, Discussion, and Support Groups:
 - Chapel*—"The Book of Acts" Bible study group (traditional Sabbath School lesson).
 - Fellowship Hall, North*—Grace Center book discussion: "Original Blessing: Putting Sin In Its Rightful Place" by Danielle Shroyer
 - Multipurpose Room*—Living the Questions (**last time today**)
 - Classroom 4*—**Starting again October 13:** The Living Project Support Group

CITY KIDS' MORNING SCHEDULE

- 10:45 a.m.: Family Praise Time, Sanctuary
- 11:15 a.m.: Worship Groups, Lower Level Classrooms
 - Follow City Kids' staff as they leave the sanctuary after story time*
 - Beginners: Ages 0-3, Room 2 Kindergarten: Grades PreK-1, Room 1
 - Primary: Grades 2-5, Room 3 Early-teen: Grades 6-8, Room 4

OPEN DOOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT MINISTRY

- 11:15 a.m.: Worship with Pastor Lemar and Mike in the Open Door Lounge.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- 10:30-11:00 a.m.: The Ordinance of Humility (Families: Fellowship Hall S; Women: Fellowship Hall N; Men: Room 9). Those wishing to, may remain in the sanctuary for meditation.
- 11:00 a.m.: Sanctuary: **Communion & New Sermon Series Preview!**

SATURDAY WORSHIP



CITY KIDS' PRAISE TIME — 10:45 a.m., Sanctuary *(Please turn off all cell phones & pagers.) Welcome to City Church. Our City Kids start with a joyful praise time, followed by the worship service. We invite you to come and be a part of our City Church family!*

WORSHIP SERVICE — 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Prelude "The Church's One Foundation" *arr. Kemp L. Smeal*
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

Invocation I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever. Todd Leonard
I will praise you forever for what you have done.
In your name I will hope, for your name is good. —Ps. 52:8, 9

Hymn of Praise "Jesus Shall Reign" No. 227

Baptism Kris S. Tamayo

Lamb's Offering & City Kids' Story Time Mike Kim
(Children dismissed with City Kids' staff to downstairs classrooms after story time. Teens are also dismissed downstairs to the Open Door Youth Café and Lounge.)

Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation Leif Lind
(Please remain standing for prayer)

Prayer Response (No. 290)
Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face;
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of his glory and grace.

Anthem "Declare Your Praise" *Mary McDonald*

Offertory

Worship in Giving "I Shall Not Want" *Audrey Assad & Bryan Brown*
Jennifer Miller, *soprano*

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Tom Chatt

Torah: The Word of Yahweh in Genesis 17:1, 5-7

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

Christian Scriptures: The Word of the Apostle Paul in Romans 4:16-18

For this reason [God's promise] depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be."

Quran: The Word of Allah in Surah 6:82-88

Those who believe, and do not obscure their faith with wrongdoing—those will have security, and they are guided.

That was Our argument which We gave to Abraham against his people. We elevate by degrees whomever We will. Your Lord is Wise and Informed.

And We gave him Isaac and Jacob—each of them We guided. And We guided Noah previously; and from his descendants David, and Solomon, and Job, and Joseph, and Moses, and Aaron. Thus We reward the righteous.

And Zechariah, and John, and Jesus, and Elias—every one of them was of the upright.

And Ishmael, and Elijah, and Jonah, and Lot—We favored each one of them over all other people.

And of their ancestors, and their descendants, and their siblings—We chose them, and guided them to a straight path.

Such is God's guidance. He guides with it whomever He wills of His servants.

Anthem

"Be Thou My Vision"

Bob Chilcott

Homily

"God's New World Promise to Abraham and ALL His Children"

Todd Leonard & Johnny Ramirez-Johnson

Communion Hymn

"Lord God, Your Love Has Called Us Here"

(No. 396, Tune: MELITA)

(1) Lord God, your love has called us here, as we, by love, for love were made.
Your living likeness still we bear, tho' marred, dishonored, disobeyed.
We come, with all our heart and mind, your call to hear, your love to find.

(2) We come with self-inflicted pains of broken trust and chosen wrong,
Half-free, half-bound by inner chains, by social forces swept along,
By powers and systems close confined, yet seeking hope for humankind.

(3) Lord God, in Christ you call our name, and then receive us as your own,
Not thro' some merit, right, or claim, but by your gracious love alone.
We strain to glimpse your mercy-seat, and find you kneeling at our feet.

(4) Then take the towel, and break the bread, and humble us, and call us friends.
Suffer and serve till all are fed and show how grandly love intends
To work till all creation sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.

(5) Lord God, in Christ you set us free, your life to live, your joy to share.
Give us your Spirit's liberty to turn from guilt and dull despair
And offer all that faith can do, while love is making all things new.

Communion—*Seventh-day Adventists practice open Communion, so we invite all members and guests to participate. The communion bread and juice will be brought to the pews; those wishing to receive gluten-free wafers may raise their hand to alert a deacon of their request.*

Breaking the Bread

Clara Jorge Ramirez

We remember Jesus who took bread in his hands, broke it, gave it to his friends, and said, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Take, eat, this is my body, which is for you. Do this to remember me.”

Offering the Cup

Victoria Lucero

We remember Jesus who took the wine cup in his hands and gave thanks for it. He gave it to them and said, “This is the new covenant sealed by my blood. When you drink from it, do this in memory of me. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.”

Congregational Response

God of the past and the present, with this bread and wine we remember your Son.

We thank you for his life, his death, and resurrection.

We look for his coming in glory and in him we give ourselves to you.

Prayer

Clara Jorge Ramirez

God of love, send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that as we receive this bread and wine we shall by faith receive the body and blood of Christ.

Congregational Response

Called to follow him, help us to reconcile and unite. Called to serve, give us hope in our calling.

Deacons will distribute the bread and wine.

Receiving the Bread

The Bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

Receiving the Cup

The Cup we take is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

Congregational Response

We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.

Partaking of the Bread

Here are bread and wine; the gifts of God for the people of God.

Partaking of the Cup

May we, who share these gifts, be found in Christ and Christ in us.
Take, eat and drink.

Congregational Prayer Response

**May we who share Christ’s body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others.
We whom the Spirit enlightens give light to the world.**

Hymn of Response

“Sent Forth By God’s Blessing”

No. 407

Benediction *(Please be seated after the benediction)*

Postlude

“Toccata”

John Weaver



Our regular Emergency Fund offering will be collected at the doors after the service

DEACON OF THE DAY: Jerry Wahagheghe

A NEW WORLD

Abrahamic Faiths' Hopes for Salvation

A Four-Part Series at Glendale City Church
October 6, 13, 20 and 27 at 11:00 a.m.

In expectation of God's promised intervention, the prophetic words of the Abrahamic faiths describe a savior figure who will inaugurate a worldwide government of justice, peace and love. In this series, we will focus on our hope in our salvation. What can we do to prepare ourselves for the ending of this current world order and the beginning of the new? What can we do to prepare our flawed and broken world today for a world of justice, ecological balance and peace tomorrow? Join us as we follow in the faithful footsteps of our Father Abraham and listen again to our prophets as they teach us how to live and act on our journey towards the promised land.

GLENDALE CITY CHURCH | PRESENTATIONS, 11:00 AM | Q & A LUNCHEONS, 12:30 PM

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Saturday, October 6
Imam Sayed Moustafa al-Qazwini

Islamic Educational Center Orange County

President of the Shia Muslim Council of Southern California, holds a PhD in Islamic Studies and is the author of a number of books.

Highlighted Non-Profit:
alqazwini.org/foundations



Saturday, October 13
Father Vazken Movsesian

Western Diocese of the Armenian Church

A patriotic, progressive man keenly aware of the realities of twenty-first century and refuses to hold on to cafeteria-Christianity exclusions that are not based in the teachings of the Lord.

Highlighted Non-Profit:
www.inhissshoes.org



Saturday, October 20
Rabbi Susan S. Conforti

Auburn Pastoral Counseling

Experienced pastoral counselor in the mental health care industry. Skilled in nonprofit organizations, grief counseling, compassion, crisis intervention, and family therapy.

Highlighted Non-Profit:
www.FarmForward.com



Saturday, October 27
Johnny Ramirez-Johnson

Fuller Theological Seminary & Glendale City Church

A professor of anthropology and associate pastor, Johnny became a convert to Christ at the age of twelve when he had a dream about the second coming of Jesus.

Highlighted Non-Profit:
www.glendale.communitasinitiative.org



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CITY CHURCH
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA



Free to the Public and Hosted at
Glendale City Church
610 E California Avenue, Glendale, CA 91206

Complimentary parking located in lower level garage of Glendale Fashion Center
818.244.7241 | www.GlendaleCityChurch.org

It's That Time Again!

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS



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DAILY ITINERARY

- Day 1: (TH. March 21) - Departure from your Country**
- Day 2: (F. March 22) - Arrival at Cairo International Airport**
- Day 3: (SA. March 23) - The Great Pyramids and Sakkara Sightseeing**
- Day 4: (SU. March 24) - Exploring Luxor. Place Where the Holy Family stayed**
- Day 5: (M. March 25) - Set Sail for Edfu**
- Day 6: (T. March 26) - Edfu and Kom Ombo**
- Day 7: (W. March 27) - Sightseeing in Aswan**
- Day 8: (TH. March 28) - Aswan Airport. Fly to Cairo and Flight to Dubai.**
- Day 9: (F. March 29) - Grand Tour of Dubai City - Burj Khalifa**
- Day 10: (SA. March 30) - Abu Dhabi – Visit the Ferrari World**
- Day 11: (SU. March 31) - Departure to your Country from Dubai International Airport**

For more Information and Tour Application, please contact: The Church Secretary: Victoria Lucero (818)244-7241 glendalesda@gmail.com or The Church Tour Coordinator Dr. Clara Jorge Ramirez (909)382-1913 drcjorgeramirez@gmail.com. **Make Payments to the Church on or before. First: OCT. 15, 2018 - \$600 / Second: NOV. 15, 2018 - \$1,500 / Third: DEC. 15, 2018 - \$1,500 / The Balance JAN. 15, 2019**

<http://glendalecitychurch.org/>

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS:

We regret to announce the passing of **Caroline Maranan** (formerly the caretaker for LaVerne Straka) on September 7. Our prayers go out to her husband and family. Viewing and funeral service will take place on October 7, 1-7 p.m. at Glendale Filipino Church, 310 E Chestnut St., Glendale (note change of venue).

Important announcement: Next month the General Conference Annual Council will vote on a change that could have dramatic consequences for the Adventist Church and alter its core administrative structure, removing power from the lower levels (i.e. unions, churches, etc.) and handing it over to the GC. While originally dealing with the issue of prohibiting women's ordination, the five newly-established "Compliance Committees" would enable higher church leadership to seek out and punish individuals or organizations deemed to be in non-compliance with official denominational policy. Consequently, many congregations are now gathering signatures from local church members; sheets will be available for signature this week, before being delivered to our local Union president. Union presidents from around the world will take these signatures to Annual Council next month as evidence that there is alarm and grass-roots opposition to these new and dictatorial measures. Please feel free, as a member or attender, to add your name to the list, which will remain displayed in the foyer **only today**.

"Work in Progress": Please excuse the disorder caused by current renovations taking place at various locations in the church — we will all soon appreciate the finished product!

Los Angeles Adventist Forum, October 27 at 3:00 p.m. We are delighted to announce that Dr. William Johnsson, former *Adventist Review* editor, will be our guest speaker. His topic will be "Authentic Adventism" (the title of his latest book released on Sep. 5). We hope to see many of you at the 50th Anniversary Conference

The Doolin Group at Morgan Stanley invites you to attend "A Briefing for Women Assuming the Mantle of Family Financial Leadership" on Thursday Oct. 11, 4:15-6:15 p.m. at the Valley Hunt Club, 520 S. Orange Grove Blvd., Pasadena. Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments served. If interested, please RSVP by Oct 4 to 626-304-2411 or diane.k.doolin@morganstanley.com.

Note: **Q & A church luncheons** (in addition to the regular monthly potluck) will be available **every Saturday** in October after the weekly 11 a.m. "New World" presentations. All welcome!

No **Seniors' Academy** in October. The next luncheon will be November 3 when, in connection with the Day of Remembrance, Rev. Galen Gobon, Grief Support Director at Forest Lawn, will present a seminar on coping with grief.

Nurses! Looking for a Great Job? Adventist Health Glendale hosts walk-in Wednesdays every week. Visit the HR department any Wednesday morning to start a new chapter in your career.