



GLENDALE
CITY CHURCH

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Celebrating 110 Years: 1906-2016

Finding God at the Intersection of Our Lives

July 16, 2016

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“Revealing Christ, affirming all.”



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY, 10:45 A.M.: *Children's Sabbath School starts just before the morning worship service, then continues during the Sanctuary Service so that the whole family can get the most out of church (see announcement for full schedule).*

WORSHIP— 11:00 a.m. *(Please turn off all cell phones & pagers)*

Prelude

“Grand Chœur”
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

Théodore Dubois

Call to Worship The fool says in his heart, ‘There is no God;’ Herman Kibble
The heavens declare the glory of God, and the universe shows his handiwork.
Oh LORD, our Lord, how excellent is your name in all the earth.

When I consider the heavens, what is man that you are mindful of him and visit him?
You have made him a little lower than the angels, have crowned him with glory and honor;
you have made him to have dominion over the works of your hands on land, air and sea.

Oh LORD, our Lord, how excellent is your name in all the earth. Amen.

Hymn of Praise

“God of Our Fathers”

No. 645

Prayers of the Congregation

Doug Schultz

(Please remain standing for prayer)

Prayer Response O Jesus, blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God (No. 495)
Hold us, who wait before thee, near to the heart of God.

Anthem

“His Eye Is On the Sparrow”
Jennifer Miller, *soprano*

arr. Mark Hayes

Children's Sermon

Anthony Paschal

Opportunity for members to greet each other while children come forward. A special Lamb's Offering for student assistance fund will be collected right after the story; then dismissal to children's respective programs.

Anthem

“Give Me Jesus”
Jennifer Miller, *soprano*

arr. Moses Hogan

Responsive Sermonic Reading

Dave Ferguson

First know that heavenly and human beings are free to choose their lives in what they will be.

For this eternal truth is a given: that God forces none on earth or in heaven.

*God calls, persuades, and guides aright; blesses with wisdom, love, and light in countless ways;
is good and kind, but never forces intelligent minds.*

Our nation's patriarch, Ben Franklin, rightly said:

“One persuaded against one's will is of the same opinion still.”

Sacred and secular history show that oppression lasts only until the oppressed get the will and the power to revolt. Inspired prophet Nahum (1:7, 9) said that whatever is plotted against the Lord will be brought to nothing. He will not need to put down revolt again and again. Only the foolish dismiss the existence of an unseen, amazing, creating God. Using our own unseen, logical, 21st-century brains, we create exploding technologies with voice-activating passwords that produce self-driving cars, iPhones, WMDs, and robotic drones, killing foes a world away. Even now JPL and NASA's JUNO is orbiting and photographing the poles of Jupiter! How dare we be so foolish as to disbelieve God. We analyze the black-box recordings on an air pilot's last words — let us do the same with biblical records! **For either they are amazingly true, or they are the most hypocritical lies and false witnesses against God and man. False promises misleading billions up to their death.** Let us fact-check and review biblical black-box recordings.

Sermon "Biblical Black-Box Theocratic Election Review" Herman Kibble
(*Your eternal future is left up to your vote & you*)

*"We pledge allegiance to the theocracy of the one true God
And to the selfless government for which it stands,
One universe, under love, with wisdom & justice for all."*

Call to Offering Leif Lind

Offertory "The Solid Rock" *arr. Kemp L. Smeal*
Kemp Smeal
(*Unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense*)

Hymn of Response "Once To Every Man And Nation" No. 606 (vv. 1, 4)

(1) Once to every man and nation comes the moment to decide,
In the strife of truth with falsehood, for the good or evil side;
Some great cause, God's new Messiah, offering each the bloom or blight,
And the choice goes by forever 'twixt that darkness and that light.

(4) Though the cause of evil prosper, yet 'tis truth alone is strong;
Though her portion be the scaffold, and upon the throne be wrong;
Yet that scaffold sways the future, and, behind the dim unknown,
Standeth God within the shadow, keeping watch above his own.

Benediction (*Please be seated after the benediction*) Herman Kibble
"We hear your welcome voice that calls us now to thee,
For cleansing in your precious blood that flows from Calvary.
We are coming, Lord, coming now to thee,
Wash and cleanse us in the flood that flows from Calvary."
(No. 282)

Postlude "Carillon" *Herbert Merrill*



*Whether you're a regular member or a visitor, we encourage you to continue to fellowship
with our Church family after the worship service!
Please also feel free to contact any of our pastoral staff if you have a question, want a visit, or need help.*

CHURCH LIFE

All are welcome — whoever you are, whatever your journey or background. God excludes no one, and neither do we.

Today's **flowers** are given by Judson Ravi in honor of all that the **Fanselau family** does for City Church.

Please remember **Pastor Hovik and Alice Sarrafian** in your prayers, as she is very ill.

Today **Chaplain Herman Kibble** will be delivering our sermon, on the occasion of his **85th birthday**, as a part of **American History month**. In August we will acknowledge **Disabilities Awareness month**.

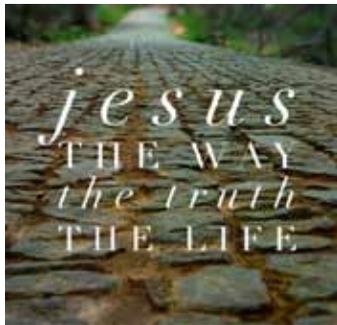
The speaker for the **July 23 L.A. Forum will be Dr. Johnny Ramirez-Johnson**, Professor of Intercultural Studies at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena. Dr. Ramirez-Johnson is a graduate of Antillean College, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico; Andrews University, Michigan; and Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass. He has most recently held a professorship at Loma Linda University and holds leadership committee roles at the General Conference for Hispanic Ministries and in other educational areas. The title for Dr. Ramirez-Johnson's presentation is: "Was there change in sexual moral laws between Genesis to Leviticus? An anthropological proposal for change taxonomy."

Potluck next week, July 23, before the L. A. Forum meeting.

Morning **worship service video archives before September 2015** can be found at GCC Archives—<http://archives.glendalecitychurch.org>

Attention all adult Sabbath School Quarterly users! Due to budget cuts, we encourage all users to get the quarterly for free online: <https://www.absg.adventist.org>. If you wish to have a print version, please contact Victoria to obtain one. \$3.00 for regular print, \$5.00 for large print.

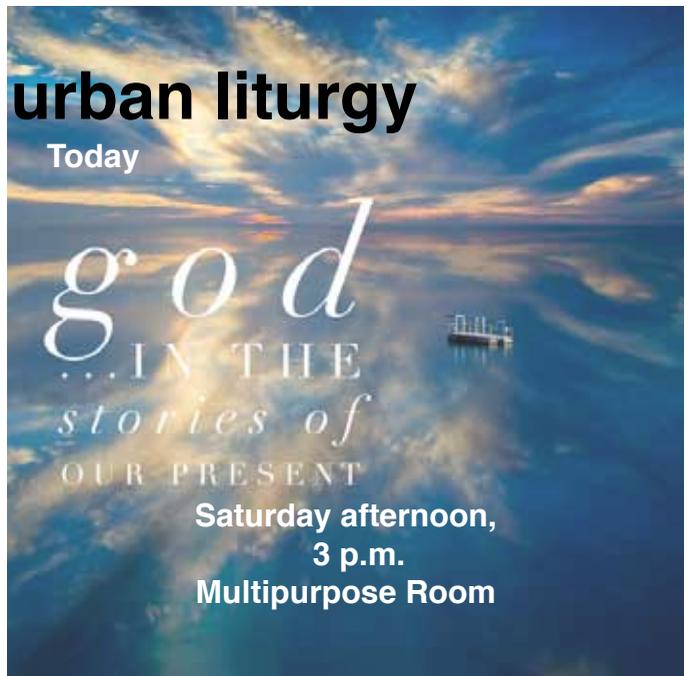
Pulpit Flowers. There has been a price increase to \$65 for flowers, effective immediately; in January there will be another increase. We are now searching for another florist. If we do not find one, and you wish to make a special dedication, may we suggest a "Thank Offering", and we will place your announcement in the bulletin.



Pastor Todd will continue next week with his **three-week series** entitled "Jesus: The Way, The Truth, The Life". Next sermon title: "The Truth".

UPCOMING SERMONS & EVENTS

July 23	Todd Leonard
July 30	Leif Lind
August 6	Todd Leonard
August 13	Todd Leonard



WORSHIP FOR KIDS AND TEENS — 10:45 a.m.



City Kids' Worship kicks off in our downstairs multipurpose room with praise music. Then our children's teachers bring the kids up to the English Adult Worship for a story in the sanctuary. Following the story, kids head back downstairs to different classrooms for age-appropriate spiritual experiences with their friends. Children ages birth to 3 are required to have one parent stay with them throughout the City Kids' worship experience. Older kids can be dropped off at the multipurpose room and picked up at their age-designated classroom as soon as adult worship concludes.

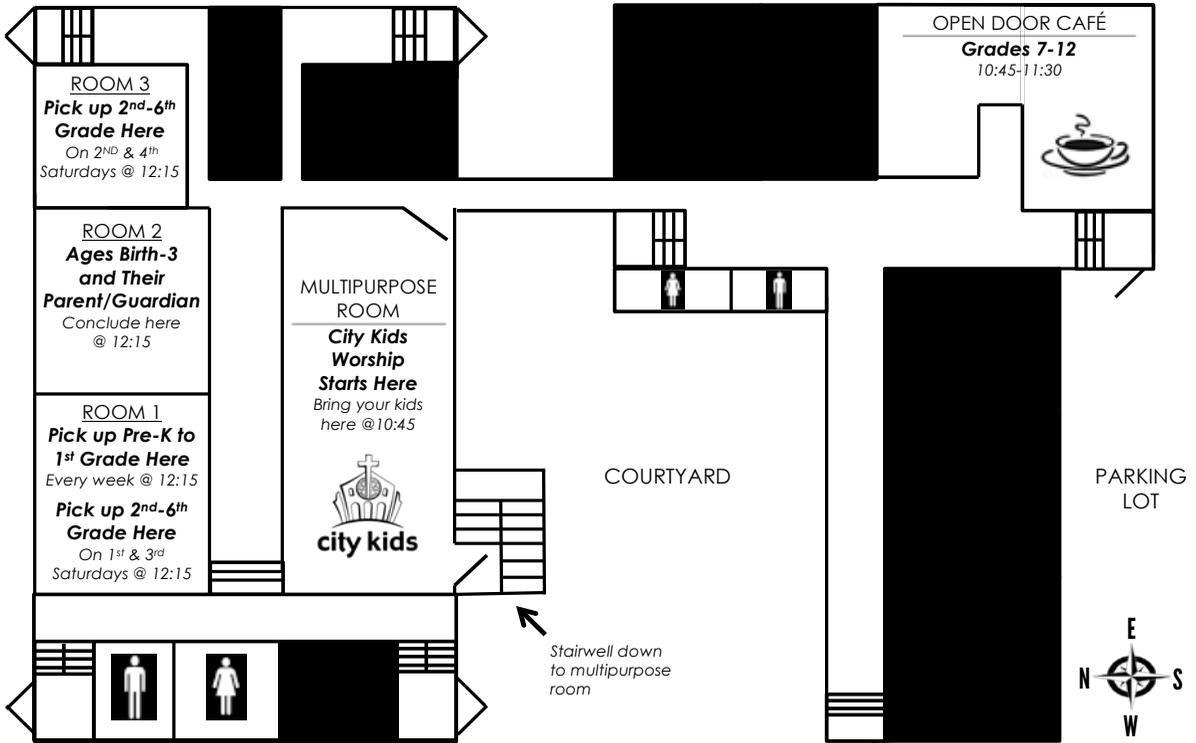


Open Door is a safe space for middle- and high school students to talk about the issues facing them. Pastor Arleene Chow leads thought-provoking discussions on what spirituality looks like in all their relationships and helps them make smart decisions as they move towards adulthood. At 11:30, the teens are dismissed to join the adults for the sermon and the remainder of worship.

Please see the map below or ask one of our greeters to help you find your way.

Map to City Kids Worship & Open Door Café

Both Gatherings Meet in Lower Level Rooms



Free Diabetes Workshop

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Workshops are held weekly for six weeks and last approximately two hours. Open to pre-diabetics, diabetics and caregivers.

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Dates: [Every Tuesday for 6 weeks](#)

June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 26, August 2nd

Time: 10:00AM to 12:00PM

Location: Glendale City Church, 610 E California Ave, Glendale CA 91206

Parking is located on the lower level of the Fashion Center parking structure. Entrance to the church is on California Avenue.

Reserve your seat today!

To register, call Rita Ayvazian, Community Services at Glendale Adventist Medical Center, at **(818) 409-8514**.



Glendale Adventist Medical Center

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Courtyard Campfire

**July
16**



**6:30
pm**

Join us for campfire songs,
devotional and s'mores!

You may also bring a dish or snack to share.



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Affording an Education

What's a FAFSA? Who's got cash for college and how to get it!
Looking at the ways and means of paying for a college education.

No sales or hidden agenda - Join us for some frank talk and great tips!

Thursday, July 21, 6:30 pm

Seating is limited. Please call 818-548-3833 to pre-register.

**Library Connection @ Adams Square
1100 E Chevy Chase Drive, Glendale, CA 91205**

8th and Last in a series of Money Matters workshops!



Glendale Communitas Initiative

Doing good, together!

Gen. 1:1, 26-28, 31: In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Then God said, “Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.” So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.” God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning — the sixth day. [God blessed the seventh day and made it holy for all who feel excess stress and who need physical and psychological rest.]

Gen. 2:1-3: Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array. By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.

Gen. 3: 15-17, 22-24: And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.” To the woman he said, “I will make your pains in childbearing very severe; with painful labor you will give birth to children. Your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you.” To Adam he said, “Because you listened to your wife and ate fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, ‘You must not eat from it,’ “Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life. And the Lord God said, “The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever.” So the Lord God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken. After he drove the man out, he placed on the east side of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.

Gen. 6:1, 3, 6, 8, 9: When human beings began to increase in number on the earth and daughters were born to them, Then the Lord said, ‘My Spirit will not contend with humans for ever, for they are mortal; their days will be a hundred and twenty years.’ The Lord regretted that he had made human beings on the earth, and his heart was deeply troubled. But Noah found favour in the eyes of the Lord. This is the account of Noah and his family. Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked faithfully with God, [he and his descendants, Ham, Japhet, and Shem, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Levi, Amram, Jochebed, and Moses].

Ex. 3:14, 15, 17: God said to Moses, “I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: ‘I am has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Say to the Israelites, ‘The Lord, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.’ “This is my name forever, the name you shall call me from generation to generation. And I have promised to bring you up out of your misery in Egypt into the land of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites — a land flowing with milk and honey.’

Ex. 4:10, 11, 12: Moses said to the Lord, “Pardon your servant, Lord. I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor since you have spoken to your servant. I am slow of speech and tongue.” The Lord said to him, “Who gave human beings their mouths? Who makes them deaf or mute? Who gives them sight or makes them blind? Is it not I, the Lord? Now go; I will help you speak and will teach you what to say.”

Numbers 12:6-8: He said, “Listen to my words: ‘When there is a prophet among you, I, the Lord, reveal myself to them in visions, I speak to them in dreams. But this is not true of my servant Moses; he is faithful in all my house. With him I speak face to face, clearly and not in riddles; he sees the form of the Lord. Why then were you not afraid to speak against my servant Moses?’”

Deut. 17:14, 16-20: When you enter the land the Lord your God is giving you and have taken possession of it and settled in it, and you say, “Let us set a king over us like all the nations around us.” The king, moreover, must not acquire great numbers of horses for himself or make the people return to Egypt to get more of them, for the Lord has told you, “You are not to go back that way again.” He must not take many wives, or his heart will be led astray. He must not accumulate large amounts of silver and gold. When he takes the throne of his kingdom, he is to write for himself on a scroll a copy of this law, taken from that of the Levitical priests. It is to be with him, and he is to read it all the days of his life so that he may learn to revere the Lord his God and follow carefully all the words of this law and these decrees and not consider himself better than his fellow Israelites and turn from the law to the right or to the left. Then he and his descendants will reign a long time over his kingdom in Israel.

Deut. 18:15, 18: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your fellow Israelites. You must listen to him. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him.

Deut. 30:19: This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live.

Deut. 31:1, 2, 7: Then Moses went out and spoke these words to all Israel: “I am now a hundred and twenty years old and I am no longer able to lead you. The Lord has said to me, ‘You shall not cross the Jordan.’ Then Moses summoned Joshua and said to him in the presence of all Israel, “Be strong and courageous, for you must go with this people into the land that the Lord swore to their ancestors to give them, and you must divide it among them as their inheritance.

Deut 34:10: Since then, no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face.

Joshua 14:6, 10: Now the people of Judah approached Joshua at Gilgal, and Caleb son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite said to him, “You know what the Lord said to Moses the man of God at Kadesh Barnea about you and me. Now then, just as the Lord promised, he has kept me alive for forty-five years since the time he said this to Moses, while Israel moved about in the wilderness. So here I am today, eighty-five years old!”

Joshua 24:29, 31: After these things, Joshua son of Nun, the servant of the Lord, died at the age of a hundred and ten. Israel served the Lord throughout the lifetime of Joshua and of the elders who outlived him and who had experienced everything the Lord had done for Israel.

Jeremiah 31:3, 33, 34: The Lord appeared to us in the past, saying: “I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness. This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the Lord. “I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, ‘Know the Lord,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the Lord. “For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

John 1:1-3, 14, 19, 21, 29: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. Now this was John's testimony when the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to ask him who he was. They asked him, "Then who are you? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" He answered, "No." The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

John 3:16: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 5:22: Moreover, the Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son.

Philippians 2:5-11: In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death — even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Heb. 1:1, 2: In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe.

Heb. 13:8: Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

2 Peter 1:16, 21: For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in power, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

1 John 4:15-20: If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God. And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. We love because he first loved us. Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen.

Rev. 12:7, 9, 11b, 12, 17: Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. The great dragon was hurled down — that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him. But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short. Then the dragon was enraged at the woman and went off to wage war against the rest of her offspring — those who keep God's commands and hold fast their testimony about Jesus.

Rev. 22:16, 17: "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let the one who hears say, "Come!" Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.

ELDER OF THE DAY: Dave Ferguson

• **DEACON OF THE DAY:** Ronald Matussea

ADULT SABBATH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY OPTIONS (9:30-10:30 A.M.)

- SABBATH SCHOOL QUARTERLY (TRADITIONAL, CHAPEL)— Current study theme: “Adventist Churches That Make a Difference”. The authors, Drs. Gaspar and May-Ellen Colón, show how Christ’s ministry to people’s physical as well as spiritual needs is a model for the Christian Church today. Using a fishing analogy, they stress that Christians need to assist their neighbors with (1) relief (giving hungry people a “fish”); (2) personal development (teaching people how to “fish”); (3) community development (providing “fishing tools”); and (4) social justice (ensuring that all have equal access to the “fishing pond”).
 - English Language Study—Chapel
 - Armenian Language Study—Room 11
 - Romanian Language Study—Room 13
- GRACE CENTER (FELLOWSHIP HALL, NORTH SIDE)— Current book study: “Suffering and the Search for Meaning” by Dr. Richard Rice, religion professor at Loma Linda University. “Suffering is a philosophical problem, but it is much more. It is deeply personal. Why is this happening to me? How can I respond to friends and family in pain and loss, and to people in my care?” The author describes 7 differing approaches to one of life’s greatest questions — ideas spanning from Augustine and Calvin to contemporary Whitehead. He fairly examines each viewpoint without endorsing any one idea, recognizing that different approaches may be needed by various individuals’ needs.
- THE LIVING PROJECT (FELLOWSHIP HALL, SOUTH SIDE)— Social and interactive sharing of personal, cultural, religious, scientific, and scriptural stories. As we connect with our stories we seek to discover our common story in God.

WORSHIP OPTIONS

Sanctuary Service

Sanctuary, every Saturday, 11 a.m.

Romanian Service

Fellowship Hall, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Saturdays, 11 a.m.

Armenian Service

Chapel, every Saturday 11 a.m.



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