



GLENDALE
CITY CHURCH
of SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Finding God at the Intersection of Our Lives

February 25, 2017

*610 E. California Avenue, Glendale, CA 91206
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“Revealing Christ, affirming all”

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



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY, 10:45 A.M.: *City Kids' Worship and Open Door Teen Café begin just before the morning worship service. See inside of bulletin for more information.*

Prelude "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" *J. S. Bach*
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

Call to Worship We have gathered to worship
to listen
to covenant
to praise your name
to remember our heritage
to celebrate our destiny.
Oh God, we joyfully receive your grace.

Hymn of Praise "We Gather Together" *No. 8*

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

Prayer Response Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, *(No. 684)*
Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace.

Anthem "He Shall Feed His Flock" from *Messiah* *Handel*
Argenta Walther, *mezzo-soprano*

Scripture Reading **Matthew 5:43-48** *Mirta Marconi-Rothacher*
"You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven.

He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that?

Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Anthem	“I Couldn’t Hear Nobody Pray” Argenta Walther, <i>mezzo-soprano</i>	<i>Hall Johnson</i>
Sermon	“Love and Perfection”	Mike Kim
Call to Offering		Arleene Chow
Offertory	“Standin’ in the Need of Prayer” Argenta Walther, <i>mezzo-soprano</i> <i>(Unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense)</i>	<i>Hall Johnson</i>
Hymn of Response	“Lord of All Nations”	No. 588, vs. 1, 2, 5
Benediction <i>(Please be seated after the benediction)</i>		Mike Kim
Musical Response		
Postlude	“Tocatta in G Major”	Théodore Dubois



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 (or fill out the Connection Card located in your pew holder) if you have questions or feedback, need a visit or help, or wish to assist in any way!

CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

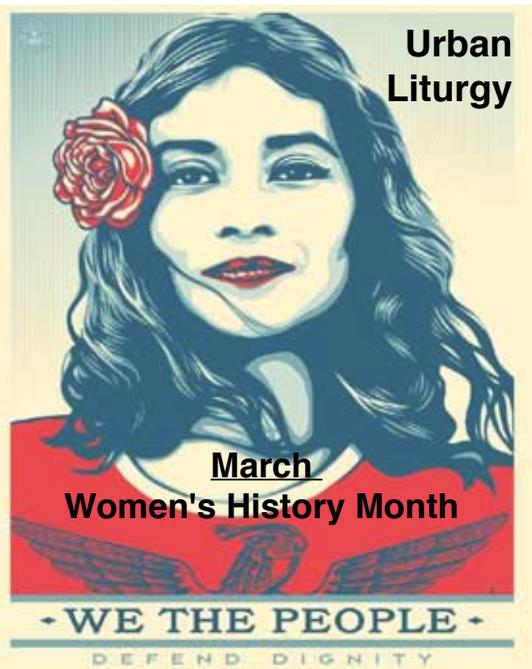
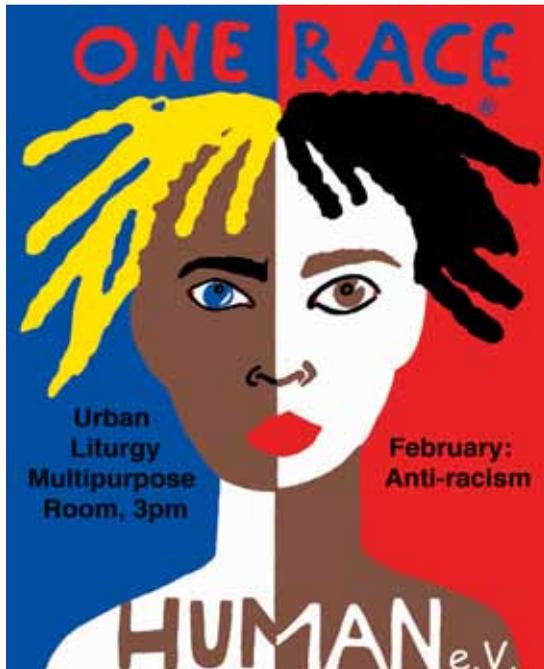
Every February Americans observe Black History Month, a time set aside to celebrate the contributions that African Americans have made to American history.

This is the last installment about the history of the observance (for previous installments, please see previous bulletins online at our website: www.glendalecitychurch.org).

The expansion of Black History Week to Black History Month was first proposed by the leaders of the Black United Students at Kent State University in February 1969. The first celebration of Black History Month took place at Kent State one year later, in February 1970. In 1976 as part of the United States Bicentennial, the informal expansion of Negro History Week to Black History Month was officially recognized by the U.S. government. President Gerald Ford spoke in regards to this, urging Americans to "seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history."

In 1986 Congress passed Public Law 99-244 which designated February 1986 as "National Black (Afro-American) History Month." This law noted that February 1, 1986 would "mark the beginning of the sixtieth annual public and private salute to Black History." Since 1975, every U.S. President has issued a proclamation for the observance, though the names have often changed: Black History Week (1975), Black History Month (1976), National Afro-American (Black) History Month (1978), African-American History Month (1992), and National African-American History Month (1993).

Taken from the article: "5 Facts about Black History Month," Joe Carter. February 19, 2015, The Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention (<http://www.erc.com>).



CHURCH LIFE

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

We warmly welcome our **guest speaker** today, **Pastor Mike Kim**, Senior Pastor at Vallejo Drive Church!

The L.A. County Board of Supervisors and Commission for Women has just selected **Sandra Schultz** as one of the award recipients for the 32nd Annual **“Women of the Year” Awards Scholarship Luncheon** to be held March 13. We congratulate her on this achievement!

We are pleased to announce that **Michael Bandy's children's book**, "Granddaddy's Turn: A Journey to the Ballot Box", has been nominated for a children's book literary award!

Please note that the **Church Board meeting has been postponed** one week. The new date will be **March 7**, 7:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

Please do not respond to messages that seem to be from Pastor Todd, but do not use his normal email address (Todd.j.leonard@gmail.com). Check with him first before responding to these possibly harmful emails.

Jay Lantry appreciates phone calls, notes, and visits and can't wait to find a way to get back to church: 2441 N Altadena Dr, Altadena, CA 91001. (Phone 626-791-1549)

Next Sabbath, March 4, our guest speaker will be **Karen Cress**, wife of Southern California Conference executive secretary, John Cress. On the same day the **Crescenta Valley Adventist School** will supply the special music, as well as introduce us to their school.

Need help in **pre-planning with funerals and cemetery property**? Church member **Mirta Marconi-Rothacher** (818-220-6486) is qualified and licensed with Forest Lawn to assist you!

Watching Children on Church Campus. The Conference HR and Adventist Risk Management have asked us to make sure that our congregation is aware that children under the age of 18 are under adult supervision at all times. This means providing childcare, or programming that insures children are just as involved as their parents while in an adult service or Bible study. They should not be permitted to run around in the building. Pastors and elders will be expected to enforce this if needed. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Winter Shelter Program. The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority has a list of emergency shelters and/or transportation to a shelter in the County. Call 800-548-6047 or log-on to lahsa.org for locations.

"Southern Harmony," Glendale Adventist Academy Music Department annual benefit concert, 7:30 pm, Saturday, March 11, Hall of Liberty at Forest Lawn, Hollywood Hills. The high school band, chorale, and jazz band will present a variety of music from the southern United States, including New Orleans jazz, Dixieland, and Appalachian folk music. Tickets are available in the high school office or online at gaamusic.yapsody.com. Tickets will also be available at the door on the evening of the concert.

UPCOMING SERMONS & EVENTS

March 4	Crescenta Valley School music	Karen Cress
March 7	Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.	Church Board
March 11		Leif Lind
March 18		Arleene Chow
March 25		Mike Quishenberry
April 1		Leif Lind
April 8		Johnny Ramirez-Johnson
April 15	Easter	Rudy Torres
April 22		Todd Leonard

WORSHIP FOR KIDS AND TEENS



City Kids' Worship meets downstairs in different classrooms for age-appropriate spiritual experiences with their friends. Join us at 10:45 a.m. for song service in Room 2. Children ages birth to 3 are required to have one parent stay with them throughout the City Kids' worship experience. Older kids can be picked up from their classrooms once adult worship has concluded.



Open Door will meet at 10:45 a.m. – 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 at the worship service, upstairs in the main sanctuary.



GLENDALE CITY CHURCH RETURNS TO OPERATE THE **SUNDAY LUNCH PROGRAM IN MAY**. The meals will be hosted on the Glendale City Church campus to serve 50-70 of our homeless neighbors a delicious and nutritious lunch EACH SUNDAY OF MAY (MAY 7, 14, 21, AND 28).

We are calling on City Church members to volunteer to help with setup, food service, and cleanup each Sunday from 12 to 3:00 p.m. Contact Hema (hramasamy2012@aol.com) or Nathan (natejs2013@gmail.com) if you can help! Or fill out a pew card, give it to a staff member, and they will contact you.

Please join us, bring this flyer and support ...

A+ Adventist Children's Center

“Where Everybody is Somebody Special”

DINNER NIGHT OUT FUNDRAISER

at



**in Glendale Galleria
(upper level by Bloomingdales)**

**Wednesday, March 1
12:00 –6:00 p.m.
on FOOD only**

THANK YOU for your help last month. We had a better turn out and were told that night that we made our 30-person goal!!! You all are **AMAZING** as usual!

We have just started out **Easter See's Candy Fundraiser** (this is the last See's Order until Christmas!) Orders are due on Friday, March 17 and you can pick up your order on Tuesday, April 4. Remember we discount our prices. So buy with us and **SAVE!!**

A+ Adventist Children's Center
234 N. Isabel St, Glendale, CA 91206
818-241-9353
Malisa Smith, Director



ELDER OF THE DAY: Lee Posner

DEACON OF THE DAY: Zach Abaro

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

- SABBATH SCHOOL QUARTERLY (TRADITIONAL, CHAPEL)— Current study theme: “The Holy Spirit.” Dive into the scriptures this winter to see how the Holy Spirit continues the work of Jesus here on earth, how the Spirit worked with Biblical writers, and how the Spirit works in our lives today.
 - English Language Study—Chapel
 - Armenian Language Study—Room 11
 - Romanian Language Study—Room 13
- GRACE CENTER (FELLOWSHIP HALL, NORTH SIDE)— Current book study: “Making Sense of the Bible: Rediscovering the Power of Scripture Today” by Adam Hamilton. This national bestseller examines how and when the Bible was written and who decided which books should be included in the Bible. Pastor Hamilton also explores controversial topics such as why God seems so violent in the Old Testament, why Paul commands women to keep silent in church, as well as questions of science and creation, salvation for non-Christians, etc. This is a book all thinking Christians should take time to read!
- THE LIVING PROJECT (MULTIPURPOSE ROOM)—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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CHURCH DIRECTORY

Pastoral Staff

Todd Leonard, *Senior (on sabbatical until April 19)*
Arleene Chow, *Youth & Young Adults (818-472-5287)*
Leif Lind, *Church Administration (909-557-5230)*
Rudy Torres, *Emeritus (714-318-1975)*

Johnny Ramirez-Johnson, *Ministry & Outreach (909-382-1912)*
Hovik Sarrafian, *Armenian Senior (909-796-9536)*
Dorin Lataeanu, *Romanian (909-528-2545)*

Church Officers

Head Elder—John Nielsen (818-605-0057)
Head Deacon—Ronald Mausea (818-730-0350)
Head Deaconess—Eleanor Posner (818-281-5822)
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Organist—Kemp Smeal (714-658-4885);
Taylor Ruhl, *assistant (909-557-5229)*

Secretary—Victoria Lucero (glendalesda@gmail.com)
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Audio Visual—Michael Acosta (michaelacosta@earthlink.net)
A+ School Board Chair—Glen Christensen
(plbboss@aol.com)
A+ School Director—Malisa Smith (818-241-9353)
Facilities Administrator—Wayne Libby (760-409-6719)

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; Friday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

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