



GLENDALE
CITY CHURCH
of SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Finding God at the Intersection of Our Lives

March 4, 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 "Cantabile con divozione" *Franz Liszt*
Taylor Ruhl, *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 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" No. 10

Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation Mike Quishenberry
(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.

Worship in Music "Gabriel's Oboe" from *The Mission* *Ennio Morricone*
Andrew Harrison, *saxophone*

Scripture Reading **John 2:1-12** Didi Mumford

On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

"Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons. **Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet."**

They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside and said, **“Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now.”**

What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.
After this he went down to Capernaum with his mother and brothers and his disciples. There they stayed for a few days.

Sermon “A Wedding” Karen Cress

Call to Offering

Offertory “Sicilienne” *Gabriel Fauré*
Andrew Harrison, *saxophone*
(Unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense)

Hymn of Response: “Jesus, Come, for We Invite You” *Ch. Idle*; Tune: REGENT SQUARE

(1) Jesus, come, for we invite you, guest and master, friend and Lord;
Now, as once at Cana’s wedding, speak, and let us hear your word:
Lead us through our need or doubting, hope be born and joy restored.

(2) Jesus, come! transform our pleasures, guide us into paths unknown;
Bring your gifts, command your servants, let us trust in you alone:
Though your hand may work in secret, all shall see what you have done.

(3) Jesus, come in new creation, heaven brought near, by power divine;
Give your unexpected glory, changing water into wine:
Rouse the faith of your disciples — come, our first and greatest Sign!

(4) Jesus, come! surprise our dullness; make us willing to receive
More than we can yet imagine, all the best you have to give:
Let us find your hidden riches, taste your love, believe, and live!

Benediction *(Please be seated after the benediction)* Karen Cress

Postlude “Postlude in D” *Healey Willan*



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!

TODAY'S GUEST SPEAKER—KAREN CRESS



Nothing on earth comes closer to God's heart than the local church — His people! In fact, He calls the local church is "His body." Being a third-generation Adventist and a second-generation, ordained pastor, plus being married to a pastor and having a son and brother-in-law as pastors, Karen has experienced "God's body" in both great and difficult situations. She has served as the Assistant to the President for Strategic Initiatives in the Potomac Conference; the Vice President for Leadership in the Rocky Mountain Conference; and in a variety of pastoral positions in a variety of Adventist churches — each one part of "God's body."

Karen's personal mission is to "bring out the best in others, no matter the cost." Helping churches identify what they are "best" at and connecting that strength to their community's need is part of Karen's passion. Assisting leaders at all levels of the organization to a laser-focused purpose and direction is another passion.

A lifelong learner, Karen holds a BA in Theology, a Masters in Organizational Leadership (MOL) with a specialty in diagnosis and intervention of organizations, and is currently working full time on her doctorate in Strategic Leadership with a specialty in strategic foresight.

Family has always been part of Karen's ministry, and hers includes her husband John, Executive Secretary of the Southern California Conference; daughter Jennifer, a lyric soprano holding a Masters in Vocal Performance, but working in the insurance industry in Colorado; and her son Tim, a Pastor of Family Ministries in Colorado, along with his wife, Danielle (an elementary teacher), Oceana (7), and Kai (3).

March **Urban**
Feminism **Liturgy**
3pm

- WE THE PEOPLE -
DEFEND DIGNITY

- WE THE PEOPLE -
ARE GREATER THAN FEAR

- WE THE PEOPLE -
PROTECT EACH OTHER

CHURCH LIFE

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

We are happy to welcome our guest speaker today, **Karen Cress**, wife of Southern California Conference executive secretary, John Cress.

We also extend a warm welcome today to our guest musician, **Andrew Harrison**! Dr. Harrison, an alumnus of La Sierra Academy, attended La Sierra University and USC, where he obtained a doctorate in Musical Arts.

We regret that the Crescenta Valley Adventist School was unable to be with us today as planned.

Church Board meeting will be **March 7**, 7:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

We mourn, together with **Louise Jorgensen**, the passing of her **sister Madlyn Bushling Creekmore** of Georgia, who died on February 28. Please also keep **Arletta Brown** in your prayers, as she continues to face serious health issues.

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!

Jay Lantry appreciates phone calls, notes, and visits: 2441 N Altadena Dr, Altadena, CA 91001 (phone 626-791-1549). He hopes to find a way to get back to church.

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 p.m., 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.

The Southern California Conference **Prayer, Spirituality and Renewal Team** invites you to pray for our pastors and church leaders **the week of March 5-7** in a Call for United Prayer in the Body of Christ for His Servant-Leaders. Some areas to focus on are God's presence and love, traveling mercies, receptive hearts, renewed lives, and unity.

UPCOMING SERMONS & EVENTS

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	Rudy Torres
April 22	Todd Leonard
Easter	

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.



Glendale Communitas Initiative

Doing good, together!

It's our

FOOD BANK FILL-UP!



Help us refill our local food bank!

The holidays were busy and pantry staples are greatly needed.
So, bring your nonperishables (oil, flour, sugar, canned goods, etc.) for our families in need!

When: April 8th at Noon

Where: Glendale City SDA Church
610 E. California Ave, Glendale 91206

Thanks for lending a hand!

For more information – 818.477.0792 or www.GlendaleCommunitasInitiative.org

ELDER OF THE DAY: Judson Ravi

DEACON OF THE DAY: Glenda Mendizabal

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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Todd Leonard, *Senior (on sabbatical until April 19)*
Arleene Chow, *Youth & Young Adults (818-472-5287)*
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Church Officers

Head Elder—John Nielsen (818-605-0057)
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Taylor Ruhl, *assistant (909-557-5229)*

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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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