



**GLENDALE**  
**CITY CHURCH**  
**of SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS**

*Finding God at the Intersection of Our Lives*

***April 1, 2017***

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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**

“Psalm Prelude—Set 1, No. 1, Opus 32”  
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

*Herbert Howells*

## **Call to Worship**

Leif Lind

I lift up my eyes to the hills — where does my help come from?  
**My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.**  
The LORD will keep you from all harm — he will watch over your life;  
**the LORD will watch over your coming and going  
both now and forevermore.**

—Ps. 121

## **Hymn of Praise**

“Jesus Shall Reign”

No. 227

## **Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation**

Doug Schultz

(Please remain standing for prayer)

## **Prayer Response**

Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord,  
Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace.

(No. 684)

## **Anthem**

“Three Shaker Tunes”  
Donald Brinegar, *director*; Allen Andrews, *piano*

*Shawn Kirchner*

## **Scripture Reading**

**1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

Kathie Glennie

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. **For it is written: “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.”**

Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. **Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.**

Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. **But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong.** God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things — and the things that are not — to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him. It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God — that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. Therefore, as it is written: “Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord.”

**Sermon**

“God’s Non-Sense”

Leif Lind

**Call to Offering**

Arleene Chow

**Offertory**

“No Time”

*arr. Susan Brumfield  
Traditional Camp Meeting Song*

Donald Brinegar, *director*; Allen Andrews, *piano*

*"Rise, oh fathers (mothers), rise, let's go meet 'em in the skies, we will hear the angels singing in that morning.*

*Oh I really do believe that just before the end of time, we will hear the angels singing in that morning.*

*No time to tarry here, no time to wait for you, no time to tarry here, for I'm on my journey home..."*

*(Unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense)*

**Hymn of Response**

“O For a World”

*Miriam Therese Winter, 1987*

Tune: AZMON

(1) O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways,  
Where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.

(2) O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved,  
Where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

(3) We welcome one world family and struggle with each choice  
That opens us to unity and gives our vision voice.

(4) The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the foolish ones are wise.  
Tell all who mourn: outcasts belong, who perishes will rise.

(5) O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace,  
Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

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

Leif Lind

**Musical Response**

**Postlude**

“Tuba Tune in D Major”

*C. S. Lang*



*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!*



**April:  
Environment  
Urban  
Liturgy  
3 p.m.**

Join the conversation today  
on climate change.

**Sunday Lunch  
Program**

**SERVING**

**Our Homeless  
Neighbors**

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.

## 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 to honor Pastor Leif's daughter, **Sonja Lind**, after the completion of her doctoral degree. We welcome Sonja and Javier as they return to their "home state" of California, where Sonja is employed as the Education Abroad Coordinator at Cal State LA.

Please keep choir members **Arletta Brown** and **Daniel Chaney** in your prayers, as they continue to face serious health issues. Daniel has moved to Colorado to be near family during his period of hospice care. Mail can be sent to Daniel c/o Michael Chaney, 3446 Quivas Street, Denver, CO 80211. **Sheri Sinaga** and **Evie Salzmann** also need prayers for healing, and **Jay Lantry** appreciates cards and phone calls (2441 N Altadena Dr, Altadena, CA 91001, phone 626-791-1549).

We warmly welcome the **Donald Brinegar Singers** to our congregation today! The ensemble has been part of the Southern California community since 1997, being based at schools, churches, and recently at Pasadena City College. They currently practice at Glendale City Church, and will from time to time be performing at our Sabbath morning services. In April the ensemble will be giving a concert with the Pasadena Symphony, as they are the resident Chorus for the Symphony. Ensemble operating expenses are covered by their own members.

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!

**Mass Convocation Choir seeking members:** The Southern California Conference has scheduled a choir convocation on September 23 at the Greek Theater in L.A. The director, Fred Settle, is looking for experienced choral singers to be a part of this mass choir. If interested, please contact him directly at dir4Jesus@gmail.com, including your full name, phone number and email, the part you sing, and which church you attend.

**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.

"Unleashing God's Power for Your Business/Ministry," **Pacific Union ASI Convention, April 6-9**, Woodland Hills. For more information and registration, visit [www.asipacificunion.org](http://www.asipacificunion.org).

### UPCOMING SERMONS & EVENTS

April 8  
April 15  
April 22  
April 29

Communion  
Easter  
A+ Children's Center

Johnny Ramirez-Johnson  
Rudy Torres  
Todd Leonard  
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.



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:** Now through April 9<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** Glendale City Church

Bring on Sabbath, or make arrangements with  
church office 818-244-7241

Thanks for lending a hand!

For more information – 818.477.0792 or [www.GlendaleCommunitasInitiative.org](http://www.GlendaleCommunitasInitiative.org)



*Glendale City Church presents:*

**DAVID  
MARGOLIS**  
CLASSICAL GUITAR



**Saturday, April 8th - 5 pm**

David Margolis has been living in Los Angeles since 2013 and is a newly added member to the PCM faculty. He earned his Bachelors Degree in Classical Guitar from the Cleveland Institute of Music and his Masters Degree from the Conservatorium Maastricht. Recent performances include Concierto de Aranjuez with the Rheinische Philharmonie, "Jason Vieaux and Friends" Concert, Koblenz Guitar Octet, and the Spanish Day musical theatre production.

**This concert will feature works by William Walton,  
Domenico Scarlatti, Manuel Ponce and Fernando Sor!**

**Admission: Freewill offering**

*A reception will be held following the concert to allow an opportunity to meet the artist.*

**ELDER OF THE DAY:** Mike Quishenberry

**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: “Feed My Sheep”, a study on the epistles of 1 and 2 Peter by Robert McIver, who teaches Bible and archeology at Avondale College in Australia.
  - 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)*

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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)  
Church Board Chair—Rudy Torres (714-318-1975)  
Sanctuary Choir—Clarissa Shan (909-709-3596), *director*  
Organist—Kemp Smeal (714-658-4885);  
Taylor Ruhl, *assistant (909-557-5229)*

Secretary—Victoria Lucero ([glendalesda@gmail.com](mailto:glendalesda@gmail.com))  
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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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