



FINDING GOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF OUR LIVES

July 25, 2020

DUE TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE AND L.A. COUNTY GUIDELINES REGARDING THE CORONAVIRUS COVID-19 OUTBREAK, ALL SERVICES WILL ONLY BE LIVE-STREAMED, AT LEAST UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. GATES AND DOORS WILL BE LOCKED. PLEASE FOLLOW OUR WEBSITE [HTTPS://GLENDALECITYCHURCH.ORG](https://glendalecitychurch.org) OR FACEBOOK PAGE AS FURTHER INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE.

City Church Online Weekly Schedule:

- **Spanish-language Services**, Saturdays, 8:30 a.m.: with Pastor Johnny Ramirez-Johnson on our YouTube Channel.
- **Saturday Morning English Worship** 11:00 a.m., <https://YouTube.com/c/GlendaleCityChurch>.
- **Worship After-Party with Tom & George** 12:15 p.m.: Immediately after the worship service concludes, join the chat and catch up with other church members at <https://Zoom.us/j/2139156248>.
- **Social Jesus Heartgroup**, hosted by Herb Montgomery, Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. (<https://Zoom.us/j/8182447241>), where we discuss Jesus' call to bringing justice and equality to all. In preparation for each meeting, check out Herb's study guide or podcast (<https://RenewedHeartMinistries.com>).

TODAY'S LIVE-STREAMED SERVICE, JULY 25:

- 11:00 a.m.: Online Worship Service with our visiting former associate pastor, Cherise Gardner, as she shares her sermon "Closing the Chasm".

NEXT SATURDAY, AUGUST 1:

- 11:00 a.m.: Online Worship Service with Pastor Mike Kim.

FOR ALL FUTURE EVENTS, DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS, PLEASE CHECK WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK UPDATES

SATURDAY WORSHIP – 11:00 A.M. (PLEASE SILENCE YOUR ELECTRONIC DEVICES)

We welcome you as you worship with us online today. Please feel free to contact any of our pastoral staff if you have a question, want a visit, or need help:

- <https://glendalecitychurch.org>
- <https://facebook.com/glendalecitychurch>
- 818-244-7241

Prelude

“Trumpet Voluntary”
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

Jeremiah Clarke

Welcome & Call to Worship

Cherise Gardner

In a broken and fearful world, may the Spirit give us courage to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in the Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. **Amen**

Opening Hymn

“The Prayer”
Charles Lane, *tenor*

Carole Sager & David Foster

*I pray you'll be our eyes and watch us where we go.
And help us to be wise in times when we don't know.
Let this be our prayer when we lose our way,
Lead us to the place, guide us with your grace,
To a place where we'll be safe*

Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation

Todd Leonard

Scripture

Luke 16:19-26

Todd Leonard

There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. So he called to him, "Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire."

But Abraham replied, "Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us."

Worship in Song	"Steal Away" Charles Lane, <i>tenor</i>	<i>Spiritual; arr. Harry Burleigh</i>
Sermon	"Closing the Chasm"	Cherise Gardner
Call to Offering		Todd Leonard
Offertory	"Ain'-a That Good News!" Charles Lane, <i>tenor</i>	<i>William Dawson</i>
Musical Response to the Morning's Message	"Do Something"	<i>Video, Matthew West</i> https://youtu.be/b_RjndG0IX8
Benediction		Cherise Gardner
Postlude	"Trumpet Tune in D"	<i>John Stanley</i>



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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Church Board has voted not to reopen our church until the state, county, city, and conference restrictions are significantly reduced from what they are currently. Reopening date to be determined. **Online services will continue to function** as they have up till now.

Pastors and Staff on Call. Even though the church office is closed, you can still connect with anyone on our team. Call 818-244-7241 and enter their extension:

- Serena Miller: x 202
- Todd Leonard: x 205
- Leif Lind: x 207
- Mike Kim: x 206
- Johnny Ramirez-Johnson: x 219

Calling all volunteers for *Intersections* magazine! This next issue we will be focusing on all matters relating to racial justice. Please send us any resources or links relating to this that you have found helpful, or feel free to send in **your own contributions** (like *art work, poetry, articles, etc.*) on the subject. Email to glendalesda@gmail.com or phone 818-244-7241.

Get woke! Shelby Mumford has created a Google Doc, https://docs.google.com/document/d/1r89v9JNqppacd7fTI0kKrnw3ry_jaWib9P-znbmq114/edit?usp=sharing, with racial justice/equality references including: Ways you can help, petitions to sign, what racial bias really means, achieving racial healing, books to read, movies/TED talks to watch, questions to ponder.

Student Tuition Assistance Applications Now Available. If you are an active member of Glendale City Church and need financial assistance to send your child to a local Adventist elementary or secondary school, please contact the church office to receive an application: x202 or glendalesda@gmail.com. Completed applications are due by Monday, July 13. Contact Pastor Mike Kim for more information: x206 or mikekim3@gmail.com.

Expanded Tax Benefits for Giving to Glendale City Church and other Charities. Under the stimulus package those who do not itemize their deductions may contribute up to \$300 in contributions as an "above the line" expense (expenses that are deducted to calculate an individual's adjusted gross income, AGI). This was not previously available to taxpayers. Additionally, the stimulus legislation lifts the existing cap on annual contributions for itemizers from 60 percent of adjusted gross income (AGI) to 100 percent of AGI for contributions made in 2020. Thank you for continued support for our church family at this time!

Grocery and Medicine Delivery Assistance for Glendale's Seniors. The Glendale Fire Department will assist senior citizens in our city with free delivery of food and medicine. To receive delivery assistance, call 818-548-4814. Also, the SOS Thrift Food Pantry at Vallejo Drive is open every Thursday from 12–3 p.m. to help families facing food insecurities at this time (located at 311 Vallejo Dr., Building B, Glendale).