



Finding God at the Intersection of Our Lives

March 12, 2016

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“Revealing Christ, affirming all.”

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

Prelude

“Trio Sonata in D minor, BWV 1036”
I. Adagio; II. Allegro
Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra

J. S. Bach

Call to Worship

Arleene Chow

How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty!
My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the Lord;
Even the sparrow has found a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may have her young —
Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you.

—Psalm 84

Hymn of Praise

“Lord of All Being”

No. 17

(1) Lord of all being, throned afar, thy glory flames from sun and star;
Center and soul of every sphere, yet to each loving heart how near!

(2) Sun of our life, thy quickening ray sheds on our path the glow of day;
Star of our hope, thy softened light cheers the long watches of the night.

(3) Our midnight is thy smile withdrawn; our noontide is thy gracious dawn;
Our rainbow arch, thy mercy’s sign; all, save the clouds of sin are thine.

(4) Lord of all life, below, above, whose light is truth, whose warmth is love,
Before thy ever-blazing throne we ask no luster of our own.

(5) Grant us thy truth to make us free, and kindling hearts that burn for thee;
Till all thy living altars claim one holy light, one heavenly flame!

—*Oliver Wendell Holmes*

Prayers of the Congregation *(Please remain standing for prayer)*

Mike Quishenberry

Prayer Response

And God will raise you up on eagle’s wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of God’s hand.

Worship in Music

“Trio Sonata in D minor, BWV 1036”
III. Largo

J. S. Bach

Children’s Sermon

Anthony Paschal

Opportunity for members to greet each other while children make their way up front. A special Lamb’s Offering for student assistance fund will be collected right after the story.

Worship in Music

“Trio Sonata in D minor, BWV 1036”
IV. Vivace

J. S. Bach

Responsive Reading**Hebrews 11: 1-12, adapted**

Margery Rich

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for. By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

By faith Abel brought God a better offering than Cain did. By faith he was commended as righteous, when God spoke well of his offerings. And by faith Abel still speaks, even though he is dead.

By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so that he did not experience death: "He could not be found, because God had taken him away." For before he was taken, he was commended as one who pleased God. And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to God must believe in God's existence and the reward offered for those who earnestly seek God.

By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith.

By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God. **And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered God faithful who had made the promise. And so from this one man, and he as good as dead, came descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore.**

Sermon

"Called"

Arleene Chow

Call to Offering

Arleene Chow

Offertory

"Trio Sonata in G major, BWV 1038"
I. Largo; II. Vivace

J. S. Bach

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

Hymn of Response

"Standing on the Promises"

No. 518

Benediction *(Please be seated after the benediction)*

Arleene Chow

Postlude

"Trio Sonata in G major, BWV 1038"
III. Adagio; IV. Presto

J. S. Bach

Whether you're a regular member or a visitor, we encourage you to continue to fellowship with our Church family after the worship service!

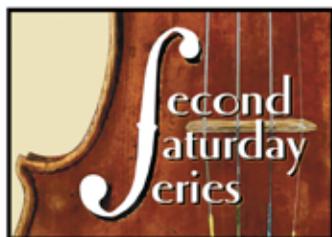
Please also feel free to contact any of our pastoral staff if you have a question, want a visit, or need help.

this month at
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LITURGY

March in the United States is **women's history month**. Throughout this month we will be honoring the achievements of women and calling for equality. Expect an interactive, provocative and extremely practical experience each Saturday this month.



SATURDAYS, 3:00p
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Glendale City Church presents:

**Harout
Senekeremian**
PIANO



Saturday, March 12th - 5pm

Harout Senekeremian began playing the piano at the age of 4. At age nine, he began studying at the prestigious Colburn School of Performing Arts where he played in many master classes with pianists Yefim Bronfman, Robert Levin & Earl Wild, among others. In 1997, Senekeremian performed Mendelsohns Piano Concerto No. 2 with the Glendale Symphony. Upon high school graduation, Harout entered the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, studying piano with Alvin Chow, followed by his masters studies under Arkady Aranov at the Manhattan School of Music. He continues to concertize in both solo and chamber concerts in Southern California as well as maintaining an active piano studio.

This concert will feature compositions by Fauré, Rachmaninov, Alkan, Hamelin and more!

March is Women's History Month, and City Church is proud to be participating in its celebration. Around the world and throughout history women have struggled to have their voices heard, whether it be in their own families, society, contributions to culture, science, government, business, or religion. Adventism was born of a spirit-filled woman; the same messages given to the patriarchs and prophets were conveyed through a female messenger of God, Ellen G. White. For this reason, City Church does not deny women the right to serve and minister in any capacity. These are the latter days, and the Lord's spirit is poured out on all God's children (Joel 2:28-32). We hope that you find a renewal of spirit and encouragement this month.

The following is an excerpt from the Church Newsletter "Church Life," announcing that City Church is opening the way for women to serve:



CHURCH LIFE

Glendale
Seventh-day
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Church

VOLUME 4, NUMBER 3

MARCH 1984

CITY CHURCH OPENS WAY FOR WOMEN TO BE ELDERS AND DEACONS

When Glendale City Church appointed Linda Gage as Associate Pastor, Family and Children Ministries some years ago, it became one of the few Adventist churches with a woman on its staff. On February 2, 1984, the church in General Business Meeting expanded further the opportunities available to women.

Acting on recommendations made by the Administrative Board at its meeting on December 1, 1983, the business meeting unanimously voted two motions. The first directed that "capable, qualified women members of our Glendale City Church be elected to serve in all appropriate areas of the duties of the deacons" and that in do-

ing so the women could be equal and ordained. The second approved the "election of qualified women members to serve as elders" and requested the 1984-1985 Nominating Committee to consider nominating women as elders. Election schedules indicate that both actions may be implemented before the end of 1984.

These actions should have substantial effect on City Church activities, especially those conducted on Sabbath morning. As a result of the first action, women may be ordained to exercise the duties of deacons. Many of these duties, such as taking up the offering and performing most of the activities connected with the ordinance of the

Lord's Supper, have previously been reserved to male deacons.

Ordaining women as local elders will permit them not only to exercise all the functions of deacons but also to perform the many additional functions open only to elders.

These functions include wide pastoral and administrative duties, including the conduct of Sabbath morning activities and chairing the church board and business meetings. This change, for example, should substantially increase the participation of women on the platform at Sabbath services.

—Dorothy Colvin

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

Today we welcome members of the Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra who are providing this morning's worship music! Please welcome Catherine Baker, flute; Zach Pulse, oboe; and Alex Rosales Garcia, bassoon.

Former Southern California Conference President, **Larry Caviness**, passed away March 2. Please direct your condolences to: Mrs. Linda Caviness and family, 137 Beckworth Way, Springboro, OH 45066. Or you may express your condolences on Facebook "Lifting Larry." Memorial service will be held **today, March 12** at 4 p.m., Vallejo Drive Church. The service will be also be live-streamed. To access online go to graceunconditional.com and click on "Media" at the top, select "Watch Live."

We regret to announce the passing of long-time member, **Kathryn Magarian**, on March 5. A memorial service for her will be planned in this church on May 28 at 2:30 p.m., after the fellowship meal that day.

Get to Know the People in Your Church Better This Year! As an inclusive and welcoming congregation, Glendale City Church has a wonderfully diverse group of people who call this church home. In 2016, we are focusing on a **different segment of our congregation each month. In March we are celebrating woman's history month.** The month of April will see a focus on Armenian history, while in May we'll commemorate Asian Pacific heritage. We hope you enjoy the variety of experiences that will help us grow together in friendship.

The Los Angeles Adventist Forum Saturday, March 26, Chapel, featuring **Sasha Ross**, Director of the Women's Resource Center, La Sierra University. Ms. Ross has ten years of professional experience in the field of international development. She has worked on UN- and USAID-funded projects focused on women and children. She holds an M.A. in Church-State Studies and a B.A. in French & History/Political Science, and is an ordained elder of the Sligo Adventist Church in Takoma Park. She is program-coordinated with Ms Lissie Quishenberry, Women's History Month Coordinator, as part of getting-to-know-your-church-better series.

Prayers & Tax-deductible Donations for Daniel Chaney: Since Daniel is currently unable to work, those wishing to contribute towards his medical and living expenses, can make a tax-deductible donation through the church. Mark the pew envelope "Daniel Chaney Medical Fund" and place it in the offering plate; or donate online at <http://glendalecitychurch.org/donate>. (For online giving, you must register with Adventist giving; once you log on, you will see a line item under Local Church that says Daniel Chaney Medical Fund.) Please also keep him in your prayers as he faces ongoing health challenges. You may wish to text him (rather than phone) at 323-556-1424 or send him a card (which we will drop off for you).

A+ Children's Center is looking for a Pre-K Teacher. If you have a degree in Early Childhood Education/ Child Development or the core classes (Child/Human Growth & Development & Child, Family & Community) & other EC Program/Curriculum (6SU/8QU) and are interested, fax your resumé to 818-547-4824.

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!

UPCOMING SERMONS & EVENTS

March 19 Barry Black, U.S. Senate Chaplain
March 26, Easter Saturday, Potluck Todd Leonard

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Through February 27, Week 9

Church Budget to date—\$89,540

Actual funds received—\$70,969

Shortfall—\$18,571



GLENDALE CITY CHURCH WELCOMES

Rear Admiral
Barry Black

Chaplain, United States Senate

Saturday, March 19, 11:00 am

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ELDER OF THE DAY: Mike Quishenberry • **DEACON OF THE DAY:** Jerry Wahagheghe

WORSHIP OPTIONS

Sanctuary Service

Sanctuary, every Saturday, 11 a.m.

Romanian Service

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

Armenian Service

Chapel, every Saturday 11 a.m.

SABBATH SCHOOL CLASSES

Kid's Breakfast & Sing-a-long, Multipurpose Room, Below the Sanctuary
Beginners, 0-4 yrs, Room 2, Below the Sanctuary
Kindergarten, 4 -7 years, Room 1, Below the Sanctuary
Primary/3-5th gr, Room 3, Below the Sanctuary
Juniors/6-8th gr, Room 4, Below the Sanctuary
Teens/9-12th gr, Teen Room, YA Café, Below the Chapel
Armenian, Room 11, Below the Chapel
Romanian, General, Room 13, Below the Chapel

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

- CHAPEL – SABBATH SCHOOL QUARTERLY (TRADITIONAL)— Current study theme: “Rebellion and Redemption”, a study in the theme of the great controversy between good and evil. The author, David Tasker, a native of New Zealand, is the field secretary of the South Pacific Division and has a PhD in Old Testament studies.
- GRACE CENTER (FELLOWSHIP HALL, NORTH SIDE)— Current book study: “MISREADING SCRIPTURE WITH WESTERN EYES: REMOVING CULTURAL BLINDERS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE BIBLE” by E. R. Richards & B. J. O'Brien. Who we are and where we come from affects how we read the Bible. This fascinating study examines 9 key areas where Westerners may have significantly different assumptions than what is actually going on in the text, including differences in societal mores, language, the honor and shame codes, individualism vs. collectivism, the perception of time, and virtue and vice. Welcome to a thought-provoking discussion!
- 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.



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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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