



Finding God at the Intersection of Our Lives

April 18, 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 MAY. GATES AND DOORS WILL BE LOCKED. PLEASE FOLLOW OUR WEBSITE WWW.GLENDALECITYCHURCH.ORG OR FACEBOOK PAGE AS FURTHER INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE.

City Church Online Weekly Schedule:

- **Survive & Thrive Wednesdays**, hosted by Todd Leonard 7:00 p.m.: The goal is to provide you relevant information from health experts and community leaders throughout this crisis (Zoom.us/j/8182447241).
- **Prayer & Study Thursdays** 7:00 p.m.: Our pastors are taking turns hosting an hour of group prayer and a discussion on a passage of scripture (Zoom.us/j/8182447241).
- **Spanish-language Services** 8:30 a.m.: with Pastor Johnny Ramirez-Johnson on our YouTube Channel.
- **Saturday Morning English Worship** 11:00 a.m., YouTube.com/c/GlendaleCityChurch.
- **Worship After-Party with Tom & George** 12:15 p.m.: Immediately after worship concludes, two of our members, George and Tom, are hosting a meet-up on their video conference channel: www.Zoom.us/j/2139156248. It's a great way to see each other and catch up!

Thank you for your understanding and support as we do our best to serve one another in this unusual moment in time.

TODAY'S LIVE-STREAMED SERVICE, APRIL 18:

- 11:00 a.m.: Online Worship Service with Todd Leonard

NEXT SATURDAY, APRIL 25:

- 11:00 a.m.: Online Worship Service with Leif Lind

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:

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

Prelude

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

J. S. Bach

Welcome & Call to Worship

Todd Leonard

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed!**

Darkness has been vanquished! **The brilliant light of hope has come!**

Come let us worship and celebrate the good news! **Alleluia! Christ is risen! Amen!**

Opening Hymn

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

No. 43

(1) When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Alike at work and prayer, to Jesus I repair;
May Jesus Christ be praised!

(2) Whene’er the sweet church bell peals over hill and dell,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

O hark to what it sings, as joyously it rings,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

(3) The night becomes as day, when from the heart we say,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

The powers of darkness fear, when this sweet chant they hear,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

(4) Ye nations of mankind, in this your concord find,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Let all the earth around ring joyous with the sound,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

(5) In heaven’s eternal bliss the loveliest strain is this,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Let earth, and sea, and sky from depth to height reply,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

(6) Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this th’eternal song through all the ages long,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Greeting & Prayers of the Congregation

Todd Leonard

Worship in Song

“Ride On, King Jesus”
Charles Lane, *tenor*

arr. Hall Johnson

Scripture Reading

Leviticus 25:1-7

Todd Leonard

The Lord said to Moses at Mount Sinai, “Speak to the Israelites and say to them: ‘When you enter the land I am going to give you, the land itself must observe a sabbath to the Lord. For six years sow your fields, and for six years prune your vineyards and gather their crops. But in the seventh year the land is to have a year of sabbath rest, a sabbath to the Lord. Do not sow your fields or prune your vineyards. Do not reap what grows of itself or harvest the grapes of your untended vines. The land is to have a year of rest. Whatever the land yields during the sabbath year will be food for you — for yourself, your male and female servants, and the hired worker and temporary resident who live among you, as well as for your livestock and the wild animals in your land. Whatever the land produces may be eaten.

Worship in Song

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”
Charles Lane, *tenor*

arr. Virgil Thomson

Sermon

“Let’s Sit with This:
Remember the Sabbath Year to Keep it Holy”

Todd Leonard

Offering Call

Todd Leonard

Offertory

“He’s Got the Whole World In His Hands”
Charles Lane, *tenor*

arr. Moses Hogan

Hymn of Response

“For Beauty of Meadows” (No. 640 Tune: CRADLE SONG)

(1) For beauty of meadows, for grandeur of trees,
For flowers of woodlands, for creatures of seas,
For all you created and gave us to share,
We praise you, Creator, extolling your care.

(2) As stewards of beauty received at your hand,
As creatures who hear your most urgent command,
We turn from our wasteful destruction of life,
Confessing our failures, confessing our strife.

(3) Teach us once again to be gardeners in peace;
All nature around us is ours but on lease;
Your name we would hallow in all that we do,
Fulfilling our calling, creating with you.

Benediction

Todd Leonard

Postlude

“Trumpet Voluntary in D Major”

John Stanley



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- Get your copy of *Intersections*, our monthly magazine, available on campus
- Visit our website & sign up for our weekly e-newsletter: GlendaleCityChurch.org
 - Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram
- Download our “Glendale City Church” app at your App Store
 - **Campus Wifi.** Network: Glendale City Church Guest
Password (case sensitive): Affirmall

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Due to the Coronavirus Outbreak, the Glendale City Church Campus Remains Closed for Everyone’s Safety. Campus reopening will not happen sooner than some time in May. Please watch for updates as they become available.

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
- Dean Vendouris: x 204
- Todd Leonard: x 205
- Mike Kim: x 206
- Leif Lind: x 207
- Johnny Ramirez-Johnson: x 219



Our happy homebound church member, **Madelynn Harte** (*photo*), celebrating her 95th birthday last week in a 2-person party provided by her caregiver, Seth Encontro. Thank you, and God bless all the faithful caregivers in this and other times!

Prayers for members: **Alma Schmidt**, who is having serious health challenges these days. **Tom Chatt and George Scheideman** as they recover from COVID-19, and **Jesse Martin** in his ongoing treatment. **Blessing Owumi**, who just moved here to start work in Glendale, worshipping with us only a few weeks before the virus shutdown, **lost her father** in Nigeria two weeks ago. (Contact info for her is available from the church office.)

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. Thanks again for continuing to support your church family during this time!

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.

Food Bank at Salvation Army. If you are in need of food assistance, the Glendale Salvation Army welcomes people to visit their food pantry once a month to stock up on essentials. Their food pantry is open from 1:00–4:00 p.m., Monday–Thursday. 320 W. Windsor Rd., Glendale, CA 91204. 818-246-5586.

New Spanish-language Services Begin Online. Pastor Johnny Ramirez-Johnson has begun hosting a Bible study session and worship service in Spanish on our YouTube Channel. Login to www.YouTube.com/c/glendalecitychurch at 8:30 a.m. to participate live, or watch the recording on demand anytime after. Share the good news with your friends!