



FINDING GOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF OUR LIVES

June 20, 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 WWW.GLENDALECITYCHURCH.ORG OR FACEBOOK PAGE AS FURTHER INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE.

City Church Online Weekly Schedule:

Important Note: Unfortunately, due to recent computer hacks, we have changed all Zoom logins for Church-sponsored meetings below as follows: Log in to zoom.us/my/glendalecitychurch. Meeting ID (new number): 818-244-7241. Password: AffirmAll7.

- **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., [YouTube.com/c/GlendaleCityChurch](https://www.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 [www.Zoom.us/j/2139156248](https://www.zoom.us/j/2139156248).
- **Social Jesus Heartgroup**, hosted by Herb Montgomery, Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. ([www.Zoom.us/j/8182447241](https://www.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 (www).

TODAY'S LIVE-STREAMED SERVICE, JUNE 20:

- 11:00 a.m.: Online Worship Service with guest speaker Iki Taimi, Director of the Southern California Conference's ONE House youth and young adult ministry.

NEXT SATURDAY, JUNE 27:

- 11:00 a.m.: Online Worship Service with Pastor Johnny Ramirez-Johnson as he continues the "Let's Sit with This" series of reflection on pandemic spirituality and what happens on the other side of COVID-19.

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

Prelude “Now Thank We All Our God” (from Cantata No. 79) *J. S. Bach/arr. V. Fox*
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

Welcome & Call to Worship Dave Ferguson

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 “Kindred, We Now Meet in Worship” *Thom Snell, 2020*
(Tune: HYMN TO JOY)

(1) Kindred, we now meet to worship, reaching out through screen and phone.

Though we dwell in isolation, we know we are not alone.

Worshipping beyond our building, far apart, yet face to face,

We’re united as one Body, bound by Christ’s redeeming grace.

(2) Siblings, share a song of gladness, praising God and spreading cheer,

So that in these days of sadness we won’t be consumed by fear.

In this time of mass confusion, sickness, loss, and overwhelm,

Let’s encourage one another, hands not joined, but hearts are held.

(3) Friends, be gentle with each other, there’s so much we’re going through.

May this be a time for healing, holding space for grieving too.

Bodies, minds, and hearts are weary, anguish fills the aching soul,

But by God’s unfailing mercy, broken hearts will be made whole.

Greeting & Prayers of the Congregation Dave Ferguson

Worship in Song “Still, Still With Thee” *John Ness Beck*
Charles Lane, *tenor*

Scripture **Isaiah 1:10-17** Dave Ferguson

Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom; listen to the instruction of our God, you people of Gomorrah!

“The multitude of your sacrifices — what are they to me?” says the LORD. “I have more than enough of burnt offerings, of rams and the fat of fattened animals; I have no pleasure in the blood of bulls and lambs and goats.

When you come to appear before me, who has asked this of you, this trampling of my courts?

Stop bringing meaningless offerings! Your incense is detestable to me. New Moons, Sabbaths and convocations — I cannot bear your worthless assemblies.

Your New Moon feasts and your appointed festivals I hate with all my being. They have become a burden to me; I am weary of bearing them.

When you spread out your hands in prayer, I hide my eyes from you; even when you offer many prayers, I am not listening. Your hands are full of blood!

Wash and make yourselves clean. Take your evil deeds out of my sight; stop doing wrong.

Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow."

Worship in Song

"A Simple Song"
Charles Lane, *tenor*

Leonard Bernstein

*Sing God a simple song: Lauda, Laudē
Make it up as you go along: Lauda, Laudē
Sing like you like to sing. God loves all simple things,
For God is the simplest of all.*

Sermon

"The Church"

Iki Taimi

Offering Call

Dave Ferguson

Offertory

"Come Love, Come Lord"
Charles Lane, *tenor*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Hymn of Response

"Anywhere With Jesus"

No. 508

(1) Anywhere with Jesus I can safely go, anywhere he leads me in this world below;
Anywhere without him, dearest joys would fade; anywhere with Jesus I am not afraid.

Refrain: Anywhere! anywhere! Fear I cannot know;
Anywhere with Jesus I can safely go.

(2) Anywhere with Jesus I am not alone; other friends may fail me, he is still my own;
Though his hand may lead me over dreary ways, anywhere with Jesus is a house of praise.

(3) Anywhere with Jesus I can go to sleep, when the gloomy shadows round about me creep,
Knowing I shall waken nevermore to roam; anywhere with Jesus will be home sweet home.

Benediction

Iki Taimi

Postlude

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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- Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram
- Download our "Glendale City Church" app at your App Store

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Due to the Coronavirus Outbreak, the Glendale City Church Campus Will Remain Closed for Everyone's Safety. Please watch for updates regarding reopening, as information becomes 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
- Todd Leonard: x 205
- Leif Lind: x 207
- Dean Vendouris: x 204
- Mike Kim: x 206
- Johnny Ramirez-Johnson: x 219

The Church Board has voted this week *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.

A warm welcome to **Pastor Iki Taimi**, our guest speaker today from the Southern California Conference!

Juneteenth (June 19) commemorates the day African Americans were officially free after President Abraham Lincoln passed the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863. Texas was a remote slave state with a low presence of Union troops, so news and enforcement of the liberation had not reached those enslaved until two years later. For more Black History facts and updates on racial justice issues, please refer to the resource page https://docs.google.com/document/d/1r89v9JNqppacd7fTI0kKrnw3ry_jaWib9P-znbmq114/edit?usp=sharing.

We wish a very **happy Father's Day** tomorrow to the fathers (and father figures) in our church!

Prayer Requests: • Please keep the families of **Margery Rich and Julia Halulyan** in prayer, after their mothers passed away recently. • Also remember **Glenda Mendizabal's father** who is recovering from a stroke. • **Prayers for our nation** as it continues to struggle with the ongoing trauma of racial inequality and police brutality.

For Wanda Koffman: "Happy Birthday to our loving grandmother — we love you, Noni! Sincerely from the Chilopoulos family!"

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).