



## FINDING GOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF OUR LIVES

July 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 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 18:

- 11:00 a.m.: Online Worship Service with Pastor Johnny Ramirez-Johnson and his sermon "The prejudicial, probably racist, Jesus: Can Jews be saved?"

### NEXT SATURDAY, JULY 25:

- 11:00 a.m.: Online Worship Service with guest speaker Cherise Gardner.

**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**

“Grand Chœur”  
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

*Théodore Dubois*

### **Welcome & Call to Worship**

Johnny Ramirez -Johnson

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**

*(Onscreen text)*

“How Great Thou Art”

*Stuart K. Hine*

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

Johnny Ramirez -Johnson

### **Scripture**

**Matthew 15: 21-28**

Johnny Ramirez -Johnson

Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon.

**A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, “LORD, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is demon-possessed and suffering terribly.”**

Jesus did not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, “Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us.”

**He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel.”**

The woman came and knelt before him. “LORD, help me!” she said.

**He replied, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and toss it to the dogs.”**

“Yes it is, LORD,” she said. “Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master’s table.”

**Then Jesus said to her, “Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted.” And her daughter was healed at that moment.**

**Worship in Song**

"Gift of Love"  
*Virtual duet by Clarissa Shan and Drew Lewis*

*arr. Hal H. Hopson*

**Sermon**

"The prejudicial, probably racist, Jesus: Can Jews be saved?"

Johnny Ramirez -Johnson

**Call to Offering**

Johnny Ramirez -Johnson

**Offertory Music**

Kemp Smeal

**Hymn of Response**

*(Onscreen text)*

"Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!"

*Fanny Crosby*

**Benediction**

Johnny Ramirez -Johnson

**Postlude**

"Toccatà on *Amazing Grace*"

*arr. J. Christopher Pardini*



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- Visit our website & sign up for our weekly e-newsletter: <https://GlendaleCityChurch.org>
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- Download our "Glendale City Church" app at your App Store

### **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

**Prayers for:** Cristina Bustos' father, **Jose Bustos**, who is seriously ill in New York; Zaida Rothstein's brother, **Lino Angara**, in the Philippines; **Kay Silvestri's family**, several of whom are Covid positive.

**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 on the subject. Email to [glendalesda@gmail.com](mailto:glendalesda@gmail.com) or phone 818-244-7241 within the coming week.

**Get woke!** Shelby Mumford has created a Google Doc, [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1r89v9JNQPpacd7fTI0kKrnw3ry\\_jaWib9P-znbmq114/edit?usp=sharing](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](mailto:glendalesda@gmail.com). Completed applications are due by Monday, July 13. Contact Pastor Mike Kim for more information: x206 or [mikekim3@gmail.com](mailto: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).