



## FINDING GOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF OUR LIVES

**October 10, 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.
- **City Kids Worship**, 10:00 a.m., [www.YouTube.com/c/GlendaleCityChurch](http://www.YouTube.com/c/GlendaleCityChurch)
- **The Living Project Support Group**, 10:00 a.m. Contact Mike Quishenberry for login information: [mquishenberry@gmail.com](mailto:mquishenberry@gmail.com)
- **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, OCTOBER 10:**

- 11:00 a.m.: Online Worship Service and Communion with Pastor Todd Leonard. Make sure you have your communion supplies ready at home!

### **NEXT SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17:**

- 11:00 a.m.: Courtyard Worship Service with Pastor Todd Leonard. Space is limited, make sure to register by October 14th to attend! Find further information in the announcements.

**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> • phone 818-244-7241

**Prelude** "Now Thank We All Our God" *J. S. Bach/arr. Virgil Fox*  
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

**Call to Worship** I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever. Todd Leonard  
I will praise you forever for what you have done.  
**In your name I will hope, for your name is good.** —Ps. 52:8, 9

**Hymn of Praise** "O Praise Ye the Lord!" No. 20

(1) O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height; rejoice in his word, ye angels of light;  
Ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were made, and worship before him, in brightness arrayed.

(2) O praise ye the Lord! Praise him upon earth, in tuneful accord: ye sons of new birth;  
Praise him who hath brought you his grace from above, praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.

(3) O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound; each jubilant chord, re-echo around;  
Loud organs his glory forth tell in deep tone, and sweet harp, the story of what he hath done.

(4) O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song to him be outpoured all ages along:  
For love in creation, for heaven restored. For grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

**Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation** Todd Leonard

**Worship in Song** "Total Praise" *Richard Smallwood*  
Sal Malaki, *tenor*

**Call to Offering** Todd Leonard

**Offertory** "My Song in the Night" *Arr. by Mack Wilberg*  
Sal Malaki, *tenor*

**Scripture** **John 9:6, 7, 13-17** Todd Leonard  
[Jesus] spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes. "Go," he told him, "wash in the Pool of Siloam...." So the man went and washed, and came home seeing.

**They brought to the Pharisees the man who had been blind. Now the day on which Jesus had made the mud and opened the man's eyes was a Sabbath. Therefore the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. "He put mud on my eyes," the man replied, "and I washed, and now I see."**

Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others asked, "How can a sinner perform such signs?" So they were divided.

**Then they turned again to the blind man, "What have you to say about him? It was your eyes he opened." The man replied, "He is a prophet."**

**Worship in Song** "Have Thine Own Way, Lord!" *George C. Stebbins*  
Sal Malaki, *tenor*

**Homily** "CONTEMPLATION: Cultivating the Beginner's Mind" Todd Leonard

**Hymn of Meditation** "As Water to the Thirsty" SDA Hymnal No. 460

## AT THE TABLE

Seventh-day Adventists practice open Communion, so we invite all members and guests to participate from home.

### Breaking the Bread

Todd Leonard

We remember Jesus who took bread in his hands, broke it, gave it to his friends, and said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Take, eat, this is my body, which is for you. Do this to remember me."

### Offering the Cup

Mike Quishenberry

We remember Jesus who took the wine cup in his hands and gave thanks for it. He gave it to them and said, "This is the new covenant sealed by my blood. When you drink from it, do this in memory of me. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day."

### Congregational Response

Vincent Haynes

**God of the past and the present,  
with this bread and wine we remember your Son.  
We thank you for his life, his death, and resurrection.  
We look for his coming in glory and in him we give ourselves to you.**

### Prayer

Herb Montgomery

God of love, send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that as we receive this bread and wine we shall by faith receive the body and blood of Christ.

### Congregational Response

Todd Leonard

**Called to follow him, help us to reconcile and unite.  
Called to serve, give us hope in our calling.**

### Receiving the Bread

Mike Quishenberry

The Bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

### Receiving the Cup

Vincent Haynes

The Cup we take is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

### Congregation Response

Herb Montgomery

**We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.**

### Partaking of the Bread

Todd Leonard

Here are bread and wine; the gifts of God for the people of God.

### Partaking of the Cup

Mike Quishenberry

May we who share these gifts, be found in Christ and Christ in us.

*Take, eat and drink.*

### Congregational Prayer Response

Vincent Haynes

**May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others.  
We whom the spirit enlightens give light to the world.**

### Dismissal Video

"Mystery"

Charlie Hall

### Postlude

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Sigfrid Karg-Elert



## Keep Up With City Church!

- Get your copy of **Intersections**, our monthly magazine, mailed each month. To subscribe, email Serena Miller at [glendalesda@gmail.com](mailto:glendalesda@gmail.com)
- Visit our website & sign up for our weekly e-newsletter: <https://GlendaleCityChurch.org>
- Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram
- 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

**Prayer Concerns:** Our prayers are with **Doug Bom**, who recently lost his mother, Dorothea Bom; and also with **Tom Chatt's mother**, who is still in hospital.

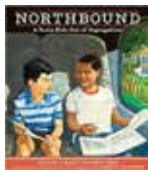
**A heartfelt thank you** to all who have so faithfully **contributed to the church budget**, especially during the ongoing financial challenges of this past year. We appreciate your continued sacrifice, as our congregation seeks to remain a welcoming spiritual home for all.

**Sermon Series Companion Book.** On the weeks that Todd preaches this fall, he'll be letting Richard Rohr guide our conversation through his book *Everything Belongs: The Gift of Contemplative Prayer*, Crossroad Publishing, 2003. You are encouraged to go deeper by reading along.

**Want to Zoom greet fellow worshipers on Sabbath morning?** For those who want to say one or two lines of greeting to the rest of the online church, please let us know in advance so we can make arrangements for this to be synchronized with the regular YouTube online service.

**Tired of meeting only online?** We are planning a limited space attendance, shaded courtyard Saturday morning church service on **October 17**. All State and Conference guidelines must be adhered to, i.e. temperatures taken before entry, masks on at all times, socially distanced seating, no congregational singing, etc. With that in mind, we remind people that anyone over 65 (or those with pre-existing health conditions) **do so at their own risk**. In order to adhere to these guidelines, space will be limited. To register for this service please email Serena Miller at [glendalesda@gmail.com](mailto:glendalesda@gmail.com) with your name(s), contact information and number of people attending. Or call 818-244-7241 x202 and leave a message with the same information. She will reply/return your call confirming your attendance or to let you know if we've reached capacity. **Deadline for applying for this service is Wednesday October 14.** (The service that day will be recorded as usual for regular online viewers.)

**Social Justice Book Club.** Social Justice Book Club had a wonderful discussion last month. It's not too late to join us for the October 18 meeting where we will conclude the discussion of Our Time is Now by Stacey Abrams. Contact Didi Mumford at 626-676-2352 / [dmumford1@aol.com](mailto:dmumford1@aol.com). Join Zoom login <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84822548280?pwd=QWtvSEQyZFdXZFP1TlZQUlF1M2t3Zz09> (or: Meeting ID: 848 2254 8280, Passcode: 193844). Discussions will take place at 2:00 p.m. on the third Sunday of the month.



Check out church member **Michael Bandy's** latest book, *Northbound: A Train Ride Out of Segregation*. "On his first train ride, Michael meets a new friend from the 'whites only' car — but finds they can hang together for only part of the trip. This is the last story in a trilogy about the author's life growing up in the segregated South." — Amazon review.