



## FINDING GOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF OUR LIVES

**October 17, 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 17:**

- 11:00 a.m.: Online Worship Service with Pastor Johnny Ramirez-Johnson. (Our outdoor service has tentatively been postponed to next Sabbath due to the heat.)

### **NEXT SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24:**

- 11:00 a.m.: Outdoor courtyard service with Pastor Todd Leonard. Make sure to R.S.V.P. , space is limited! See the announcement section for further instructions.

**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** "Sonata VI – Finale" *Felix Mendelssohn*  
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

**Welcome & Call to Worship** Johnny Ramirez-Johnson

I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever.  
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** "My Maker and My King" No. 15

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

**Worship in Song** "At the River" *Aaron Copland*  
Christina Bristow, *soprano*

**Celebration of Baptism** Carlos Dator Todd Leonard

**Worship in Song** "Laudate Dominum (Praise the Lord)" *W. A. Mozart*  
Christina Bristow, *soprano*

**Scripture** **Luke 10:23-38, NRSV** Johnny Ramirez-Johnson

Then turning to the disciples, Jesus said to them privately, "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, but did not see it, and to hear what you hear, but did not hear it."

**Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."**

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

**But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.'**

Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home.

## Colossians 3:1-12, NRSV

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things — anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all! As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.

### Video Anthem

“I Need You To Survive” *arr. by Olamide Kolawole*  
performed by Eleanor Baylon & Rosa Castro

### Sermon

“Fashion Theology, Wardrobe of the Spirit” Johnny Ramirez-Johnson

### Call to Offering

Todd Leonard

### Offertory

“Your Grace Still Amazes Me” *Shawn Craig & Connie Harrington*  
Christina Bristow, *soprano*

### Hymn of Response

“Let Your Heart Be Broken” No. 575, verses 1-3, 5  
Tune: HEART OF JESUS

(1) Let your heart be broken for a world in need:  
Feed the mouths that hunger, soothe the wounds that bleed,  
Give the cup of water and the loaf of bread —  
Be the hands of Jesus, serving in his stead.

(2) Here on earth applying principles of love,  
Visible expression — God still rules above —  
Living illustration of the Living Word  
To the minds of all who've never seen or heard.

(3) Blest to be a blessing, privileged to care,  
Challenged by the need — apparent everywhere.  
Where mankind is wanting, fill the vacant place.  
Be the means through which the Lord reveals his grace.

(4) Let your heart be tender and your vision clear;  
See mankind as God sees, serve him far and near.  
Let your heart be broken by a brother's pain;  
Share your rich resources, give and give again.

### Benediction

Johnny Ramirez-Johnson

### Postlude

“Sontata I – Allegro vivace assai” *Felix Mendelssohn*

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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

Our heartfelt prayers and condolences to **Tom Chatt** after his mother passed away this week.

**Day of Remembrance Ceremony.** Please submit names of loved ones who passed away in the past year, if you'd like the names to be read during our day of remembrance ceremony on **Oct 31**. Email [glendalesda@gmail.com](mailto:glendalesda@gmail.com)

**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 24**. (The original Oct. 17 date had to be postponed due to excessive heat.) 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 October 21**. (The service that day will be recorded as usual for regular online viewers.)

**Social Justice Book Club.** Join Didi Mumford in reading and discussing current authors on racial justice issues. Join the Zoom session at The first book that will be discussed on October 18 is "Our Time Is Now", by Stacey Abrams, available through your favorite bookseller. Zoom login <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84822548280?pwd=QWtvSEQyZFdXZFp1TIZQUIF1M2t3Zz09> (or: Meeting ID: 848 2254 8280, Passcode: 193844). Discussions will take place at 2:00 p.m. on the third Sunday of the month. Also, if you are interested in participating in the Postcards to Swing States project, contact Didi Mumford for more information at 626-676-2352 / [dmumford1@aol.com](mailto:dmumford1@aol.com).