

Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?"

**They replied,
"Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah;
and still others, Jeremiah or one
of the prophets."**

"But what about you?" he asked.
"Who do you say I am?"

**Simon Peter answered,
"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."**

Jesus replied,
"Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah,
for this was not revealed to you by man,
but by my Father in heaven.
And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock
I will build my church, and the gates of Hades
will not overcome it.
I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven;
whatever you bind on earth will be bound
in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth
will be loosed in heaven."

**Then he warned his disciples
not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.**

Jesus looks upon him, and although Peter is far away he must feel that look, the look which melts the wickedness of the human heart, sees deep down into its love and strengthens its weakness. The Rock has faltered; but it is upon him that the eternal work is founded. Where flesh has shown itself to be frail, the power of God will give strength. Peter fell; but he was the first to believe in Jesus the Son of God, in Jesus the promised Christ. Indeed it is to him that we owe the conjunction of the two words "Jesus Christ." He was the first to call the Savior by His name.

—A. G. Sentillanges, *What Jesus Saw from the Cross*.

The teaching here is that those things which are conclusively decided by the King in the kingdom of heaven, having been so decided upon, are emulated by the Church on earth, the church being the true believers whose testimony is the Rock, even like Peter's testimony concerning the deity of Jesus Christ upon whom the Church is built (1 Cor. 3:11). No reference is made here to the binding or loosing of persons, but of things, *ho*, (3739) "whatever" (neuter) and not "whoever," and *hosa* (neuter plural) in Mt. 18:18, "What things soever." Reference is made to the acts of persons and not the decisions concerning the persons by the church as an ecclesiastical or organizational body. The Church here is the body of believers themselves. We as believers can never make conclusive decisions about things, but can only confirm those decisions which have already been made by the King Himself.

—*Spiro Zodhiates' Hebrew-Greek Key Study Bible*.

Flowers. Today's flowers are given in honor of Andy Riffel-Dalinger's birthday from his father, Dr. Hugo Riffel-Dalinger.

Guest Musicians. Today we welcome our guest Instrumental Ensemble: Ron Radlein, flute; Barbara Watts-Robinson, clarinet; Eden Livingood and Victoria Manuel, violins; Wes Radlein, viola; and Lee Ann Radlein, violoncello.

Children's Choir Concert. The Glendale City SDA Church continues celebrating their Centennial year on Sabbath, October 28, 2006, with its first Children's Choir Festival at 4:00 p.m. Featured choirs and ensembles will be: A+ Children's Center Choir, City Church's Sunshine Singers, Pasadena Kidspraise, Inter Valley youth Choir, and University Church (Los Angeles) Children's Choir. Please mark your calendar and join our youth as they sing praises to God!

Baptism. There will be a baptism next week. If you are interested in being baptized please speak with a pastor or contact the church office.

Help Needed. Children's Ministries needs empty paper towel rolls for upcoming retreat activities and other crafts. Please leave them in a box in the Narthex.

Mission Project. Please mark your tithe envelope accordingly if you wish to contribute funds toward Julia Pereyra's mission project.

Display Case. We urgently need people to sign up for October and November. Sign-up on the sheet in the Narthex or call the church office. Tell us your story and share photos or personal memorabilia.

Glendale Academy Performance. Glendale Academy Elementary's Drama After-school presents "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer," Thursday, November 16, 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 18, 8:00 p.m. at the Glendale Adventist Elementary Auditorium, 700 Kimlin Drive, Glendale, CA 91206. Adults \$10 • Children \$5 (Doors open 30 minutes prior to show).

* All bulletin submissions must be in by Wednesday noon to be included in the upcoming bulletin. Submission after this deadline will be included in the following week's bulletin.

Upcoming Sermons & Power Sabbaths

October 28	Children's Choir Festival
November 18	Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie
Power Sabbath & Breakfast	Chaplain, United States Senate, Retired
December 1	Annual Christmas Concert
December 23	"God of the Future" Pastoral Staff
Power Sabbath	

Sunset tonight – 6:13 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 6:05 p.m.

Order of Worship

10:50 am – 12:10 pm

Prelude	"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"	<i>J.S. Bach</i>
Morning Hymn	"We'll Build on the Rock"	No. 531
Call to Worship	Mitchell Henson	
	We have gathered to worship to listen to covenant to praise your name to remember our heritage to celebrate our destiny.	
	Oh God, we joyfully receive your grace.	
Gifts of the Congregation	Don Greathouse	
Anthem	"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"	<i>F. C. Maker</i>
	Ron Radlein, flute; Barbara Watts-Robinson, clarinet; Eden Livingood and Victoria Manuel, violins; Wes Radlein, viola; Lee Ann Radlein, violoncello	
	<i>Instrumental Ensemble</i>	
Worship in Giving		
Morning Offering		Charles Witt
Offertory	"Andante tranquillo"	<i>F. Mendelssohn</i>
Children's Sermon	Dean Vendouris	
Greeting & Prayers of the Congregation	Mitchell Henson	
Prayer Response	<i>Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear, oh hear us when we pray, Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear, oh hear us when we pray.</i>	
Anthem	"It Is Well with My Soul"	<i>P. P. Bliss</i>
Scripture	Matthew 16:13-20	John Vogt
Sermon	"Church Authority"	Mitchell Henson
Blessing & Sending		
	I pray that the Lord will bless and protect you, and that he will show you mercy and kindness. May the LORD be good to you and give you peace. – <i>C.E.V</i>	
Postlude	"Water Music Suite - Hornpipe"	<i>Handel</i>

Sabbath School Options

<u>Class</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Symbols/Leaders</u>
Beginners	0-3 yrs	Room 3	Elephant
Kindergarten	3-5 yrs	Room 4	Giraffe
Primary	6-9	Room 2	Eagle
Junior	10-13 yrs	Room 1	Lion
Teen	14-18 yrs	Room 10b	Fish
Armenian	General	Room 11	
Romanian	General	Room 13	
Pastor	General	Fellowship Hall	Mitchell Henson
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	
<u>Option</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sequence</u>	

Worship Options

<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sequence</u>
Sanctuary Service	Main Sanctuary	Every Sabbath
Romanian Service	Chapel	1st and 3rd Sabbaths
Armenian Service	Chapel	2nd and 4th Sabbaths

Activities

Bell Choir	Youth Center	Friday at 7:00 pm
Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	Sabbath at 9:15 am
Pathfinders	GAMC Gymnasium	Tuesday at 6:45 pm
Sunshine Singers	Room 10b	Sabbath at Noon
Bible Study	Council Room	Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Church Directory

Pastors

Mitchell Henson, Senior Pastor
Denise Kasischke, Family & Children Ministries
Michael Quishenberry, Pastor of the Parish
Hovik Sarrafian, Armenian Senior Pastor
Vartkes Azadian, Armenian Associate Pastor
Dorin Lataeanu, Romanian Senior Pastor

Officers

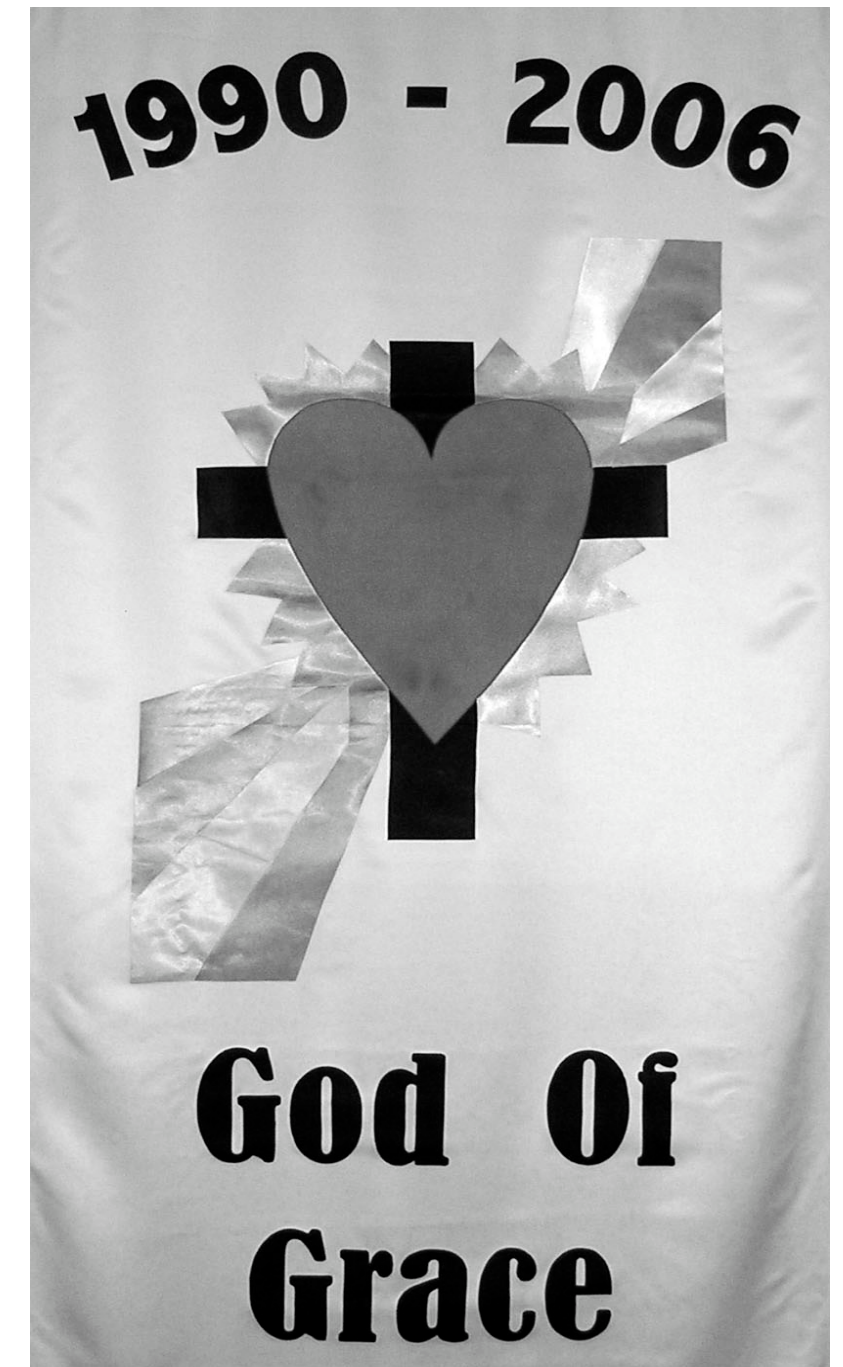
Head Elder	Douglas Schultz
Head Deacon	
Head Deaconess	Eleanor Posner
Church Board Chair	Robert Marsh
Sanctuary Choir Director	Brenda Mohr
Organist	Kemp Smeal
Children's Choir Director	Lissie Quishenberry
Bell Choir Director	Ariel Quintana
Secretary	Victoria Lucero
Treasurer	Dean Vendouris
Church Clerk	Mindi Rüb
A+ School Principal	Jeanie Drake
Pathfinder Leader	Warren Dale

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; Friday 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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