

Scripture Reading

John 17:20–26

My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one:

I in them and you in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.

Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them.

Sermon Resources

Here two great characteristics of Jesus are fully displayed. First, we see his complete faith and his radiant certainty. At that moment his followers were few, but even with the Cross facing him, his confidence was unshaken, and he was praying for those who would come to believe in his name. This passage should be specially precious to us, for it is Jesus' prayer for us. Second, we see his confidence in his men. He knew that they did not fully understand him; he knew that in a very short time they were going to abandon him in his hour of sorest need. Yet to these very same men he looked with complete confidence to spread his name throughout the world. Jesus never lost his faith in God or his confidence in men.

What was his prayer for the Church which was to be? It was that all its members would be one as he and his Father are one. What was that unity for which Jesus prayed? It was not a unity of administration or organization; it was not in any sense an ecclesiastical unity. It was a unity of personal relationship. We have already seen that the union between Jesus and God was one of love and obedience. It was a unity of love for which Jesus prayed, a unity in which men loved each other because they loved him, a unity based entirely on the relationship between heart and heart.

—William Barclay, *The Gospel of John*

City Church Announcements

Backpack Blessings. School is just around the corner and on Sabbath, August 11, we will lift up the students, dedicating them to God's glory as they begin a new school year. Students preschool through adult bring your backpacks or lunch boxes to worship service. Teachers, we will also bless you on this day, honoring you with a small gift to bless you throughout the school year.

Inaugural Organ Concert. Kemp Smeal will be presenting an inaugural organ concert, to be held at the Church on Sunday September 30, at 4 p.m.

Children's Summer Sabbath School. Kindergarten through Junior Sabbath Schools continue to meet in the Youth Center to learn about the *Fruits of the Spirit*, through the use of music, art, stories, and teamwork.

Stories from the Pew. Sabbath, September 29, is "Stories from the Pew" and we are asking for your participation. Write or edit a spiritual story of your choice and submit it as soon as possible to be included for this special worship service. For more information, call the Church Office at 818/244-7241.

A+ Children's Center. Our mascot, Buddy the Bear, wants to welcome you to our Center! Enroll your child now for the 2007-08 school year while there is still space available. We have a safe and nurturing environment for children aged 18 months to 1st grade. Pre-School hours are 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Kindergarten and 1st grade classes are 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Before- and after-school care is available. Classes start August 20th. Call 818-241-9353 for more information. See you soon!

GAE & GAA. The excellent training of Adventist parents is strengthened by Adventist schools. Registration is taking place now. Glendale Adventist Elementary (818) 246-4867, Glendale Adventist Academy (818) 244-8671.

Music Concert. Christian Edition and 5 time Grammy Winner Sandi Patty will perform at La Sierra University Church on September 9 at 7:00. For tickets and info call AMS Agency: 805 955-7682.

Upcoming Sermons

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| August 11 | Family Sabbath | Denise Kasischke |
| August 18 | | Leif Lind |

Sunset tonight – 7:52 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 7:46 p.m.

Order of Worship

10:50 am – 12:10 pm

Prelude "Sheep May Safely Graze" J. S. Bach

Call to Worship Michael Quishenberry

*For I know the plans I have
for you, declares the Lord,
plans to prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you hope and a future.*

*Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me,
and I will listen to you.*

*You will seek me and find me
when you seek me with all your heart.*

Morning Hymn "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" No. 259

Prayer of Invitation

*God, remind us now is the time of your favor,
now is the day of salvation. Amen.*

Gifts of the Congregation Denise Kasischke

Scripture Dr. Charles Witt

Anthem "O Praise the Lord with Heart and Voice" Haydn

Worship in Giving

Morning Offering

Offertory "It Is Well with My Soul" Julian Fielder

Children's Sermon Denise Kasischke

Greeting & Prayers of the Congregation Michael Quishenberry

Prayer Response

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness! Lord unto me!*

Anthem "Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)" K. Lange

Sermon "A Rare Taste" Michael Quishenberry

Benediction

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ
and the love of God and the fellowship
of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen*

Choral Response "Amen" H. Helvey

Postlude "Prelude in G Major" J. S. Bach

Sabbath School Options

| Class | Age | Location | Symbols/Leaders |
|--------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 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 |
| Prassô | General | Youth Center | |
| Armenian | General | Room 11 | |
| Romanian | General | Room 13 | |
| Pastor | General | Fellowship Hall | Mitchell Henson |
| SS Quarterly | General | Chapel | |

Worship Options

| Option | Location | Sequence |
|-------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| Sanctuary Service | Main Sanctuary | Every Sabbath |
| Romanian Service | Chapel | 1st and 3rd Sabbaths |
| Armenian Service | Chapel | 2nd and 4th Sabbaths |

Activities

| Event | Location | Sequence |
|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Bell Choir | Youth Center | Friday at 8:00 pm |
| Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room | Sabbath at 9:15 am |
| Pathfinders | GAMC Gymnasium | Tuesday at 6:45 pm |
| Sunshine/Jubilate Singers | Room 10b | Sabbath at Noon |
| Bible Study | Council Room | Monday at 7:00 p.m. |
| Marathon Clinic | Verdugo Park | Sunday at 7:00 a.m. |

Church Directory

Pastors

Mitchell Henson, Senior Pastor
Denise Kasischke, Family & Children Ministries
Michael Quishenberry, Pastor of the Parish
Cherise Gardner, Pastoral Intern
Hovik Sarrafian, Armenian Senior Pastor
Vartkes Azadian, Armenian Associate Pastor
Dorin Lataeanu, Romanian Senior Pastor
Leif Lind, Church Administrator
Marcos Apolonio, Media Ministries

Officers

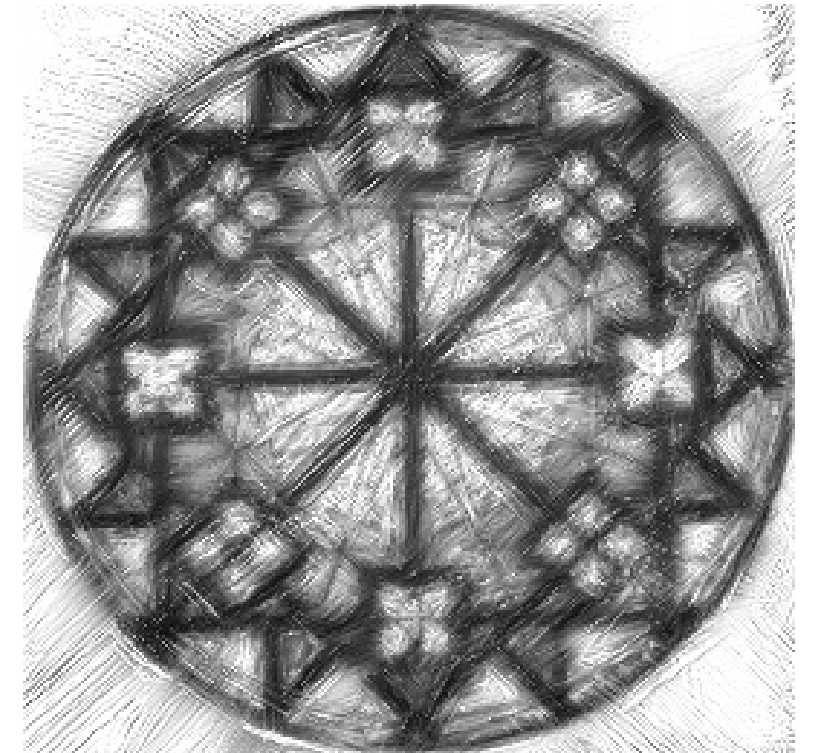
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|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Head Elder | Doug Schultz |
| Head Deacon | — |
| Head Deaconess | Eleanor Posner |
| Church Board Chair | Terry Bork |
| Sanctuary Choir Director | Brenda Mohr |
| Organist | Kemp Smeal |
| Children's Choir Director | Lissie Quishenberry |
| Bell Choir Director | Ariel Quintana |
| Secretary | Victoria Lucero |
| Treasurer | Dean Vendouris |
| Church Clerk | Mindi Rüb |
| A+ School Board Chair | Andrew Cervik |
| A+ School Principal | Jeanie Drake |

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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