

Scripture Reading

**Galatians 4:15; Philippians 4:4-7;
Psalm 30:5; 2 Corinthians 4:17, 18**
(*Today's New International Version*)

What has happened to all your joy?

Rejoice in the Lord always.
I will say it again: Rejoice!

**Let your gentleness be evident to all.
The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about
anything, but in every situation, by prayer
and petition, with thanksgiving, present your
requests to God. And the peace of God,
which transcends all understanding, will guard
your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.**

Weeping may remain for a night, but rejoicing
comes in the morning.

**For our light and momentary troubles
are achieving for us an eternal glory that far
outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on
what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is
seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.**

Anthem Text

"He Gives Me Joy"

He gives me joy ev'ry morning, He gives me joy ev'ry day,
He gives me joy in the morning and He guides me all the way.

Trials and temptations we can't outrun, heartache and sorrow touch
ev'ryone. But our God is faithful; He will lead the way.
Trials will come but they won't stay.

He gives me joy ev'ry morning, He gives me joy ev'ry day,
He gives me joy in the morning and He guides me all the way.

When we feel uncertain, hope disappears. In our despair we battle
our fear. But our God is faithful; He will take our hand.
He lifts us up; in Him we stand.

He gives me joy ev'ry morning, He gives me joy ev'ry day,
He gives me joy in the morning and He guides me all the way.

Sermon Resources

No thoughtful person can question the fact that, for the most part, the Christian life, as it is generally lived, is not entirely a happy life. A keen observer once said to me, "You Christians seem to have a religion that makes you miserable. You are like a man with a headache. He does not want to get rid of his head, but it hurts him to keep it. You cannot expect outsiders to seek very earnestly for anything so uncomfortable." Then for the first time I saw, as in a flash, that the religion of Christ ought to be, and was meant to be to its possessors, not something to make them miserable, but something to make them happy; and I began then and there to ask the Lord to show me the secret of a happy Christian life.

All of God's children, I am convinced, feel instinctively, in their moments of divine illumination, that a life of inward rest and outward victory is their inalienable birthright. Can you remember, some of you, the shout of triumph your souls gave when you first became acquainted with the Lord Jesus, and had a glimpse of His mighty saving power? How sure you were of victory, then! How easy it seemed to be more than conquerors, through Him that loved you! Under the leadership of a Captain who had never been foiled in battle, how could you dream of defeat! And yet, to many of you, how different has been your real experience. Your victories have been few and fleeting, your defeats many and disastrous.

Is there, then, no way of escape for us when in trouble or distress? Must we plod wearily through it all and look for no relief? I rejoice to answer that there is a glorious way of escape for every one of us, if we will but mount up on wings, and fly away from it all to God. What, then, are these wings? Their secret is contained in the words, "They that wait upon the Lord." The soul that waits upon the Lord is the soul that is entirely surrendered to Him, and that trusts Him perfectly. Therefore we might name our wings the wings of Surrender and of Trust. I mean by this, that, if we will only surrender ourselves utterly to the Lord, and will trust Him perfectly we shall find our souls, "mounting up with wings as eagles" to the "heavenly places" in Christ Jesus, where earthly annoyance and sorrows have no power to disturb us.

And this is what the soul on wings does. It overcomes the world through faith. To overcome means to "come over," not to be crushed under; and the soul on wings flies over the world and the things of it. These lose their power to hold or bind the spirit that can "come over" them on wings of Surrender and Trust. That spirit is made in very truth "more than conqueror."

—*The Christian's Secret of a Happy Life*, Hannah Whitall Smith

City Church Announcements

Flowers. Today's flowers are given in honor of Mellani Isabella Bautista's dedication to the Lord from her family.

Congratulations! We congratulate **Terry Bork** on his recent appointment to the post of Superior Court Judge for Los Angeles. Terry Bork, who until recently was deputy district attorney, was one of nine judges just appointed by Gov. Schwarzenegger to this position.

Come and join in the **celebration of Ellenis Tohdjojo's life** on Labor Day, September 3 in the Fellowship Hall. She wants to remember with joy and thankfulness how God has intervened in her life, and would love to celebrate this with friends and family. The occasion will be a come-and-go event between 1 and 10 p.m. — all are welcome!

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.

Used Car Needed. One of our church members is in need of a used car (in working condition!). If anyone wishes to donate a vehicle and get a tax break for this, please contact the church office or one of the pastors.

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.

Last opportunity for Directory Photos today! Please have your picture taken after the service today, if you have not already done so. We would love to have as many photos as possible in the Directory. Thank you.

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.

Upcoming Sermons

September 8

Mitch Henson

Sunset tonight – 7:21 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 7:12 p.m.

Order of Worship

10:50 am – 12:10 pm

Prelude	"Fireworks Music"	<i>Handel</i>
Call to Worship	Cherise Gardner	
	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.	
Opening Hymn	"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"	No. 12
Prayer of Invitation	<i>God, remind us now is the time of your favor, now is the day of salvation. Amen.</i>	
Baby Dedication	Denise Kasischke	
Scripture	Gerry Fox	
Anthem	"Joyful, Joyful, Sing Praise"	<i>J. Althouse</i>
Worship in Giving	Warren Dale	
Morning Offering		
Offertory	"The Holy City"	<i>Adams</i>
	Daniel Chaney, <i>solo</i>	
Greeting & Prayers of the Congregation	Michael Quishenberry	
Prayer Response	<i>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!</i>	
Anthem	"He Gives Me Joy"	<i>Williams/Bullington</i>
Sermon	"Joy in the Morning, Joy in the Mourning"	Cherise Gardner
Closing Hymn	"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"	No. 64
Benediction		
Choral Benediction	"Amen"	<i>H. Helvey</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
Prassô	General	Youth Center	
Armenian	General	Room 11	
Romanian	General	Room 13	
Pastor	General	Fellowship Hall	Mitch Henson
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	Hugh Gardner

Worship Options

<u>Option</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

<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sequence</u>
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
Hovik Sarrafian, Armenian Senior Pastor
Vartkes Azadian, Armenian Associate Pastor
Dorin Lataeanu, Romanian Senior Pastor
Leif Lind, Church Administrator
Marcos Apolonio, Media Ministries

Officers

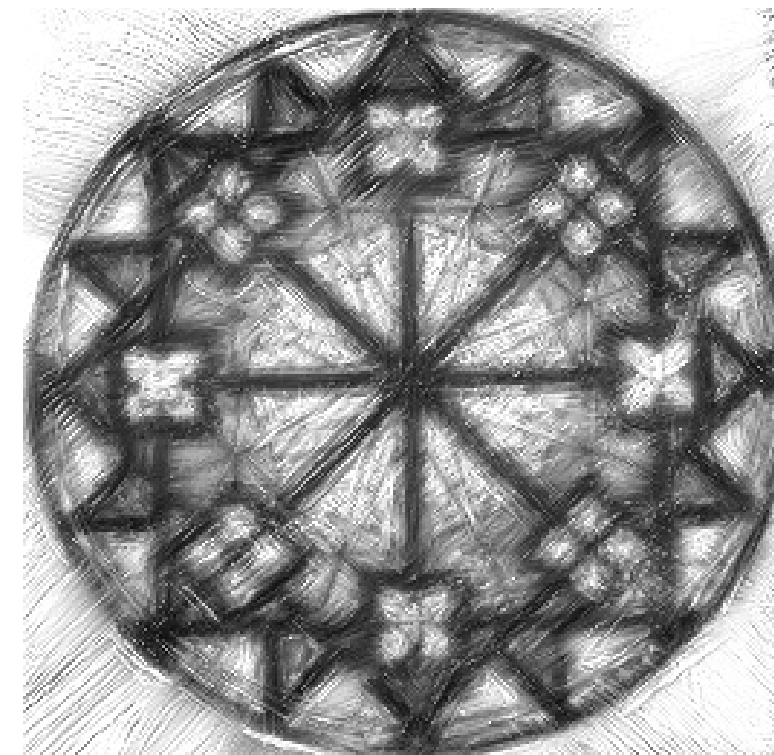
Head Elder	Doug Schultz
Head Deacon	—
Head Deaconess	Eleanor Posner
Acting Church Board Chair	Vincent Haynes
Sanctuary Choir Director	Brenda Mohr
Guest Organist	Taylor Ruhl
Children's Choir Director	Lissie Quishenberry
Bell Choir Director	Ariel Quintana
Secretary	Victoria Lucero
Treasurer	Dean Vendouris
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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