



Mitchell Forrest Henson

*Glendale City Church
January 12, 2008, 1:30 p.m.*

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Memorial Service

Mitchell Forrest Henson

February 13, 1943 – December 27, 2007

Organ Prelude

“Gabriel’s Oboe” from *The Mission*
Kemp Smeal

Morricone

Invitation

Gerard Kiemeney

Hear the promises of God.
God is near to all who call, who call from their hearts.
The desires of those who fear God are fulfilled;
their cries are heard; they are saved.
Fear not, for I am with you, be not dismayed,
for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you,
I will uphold you with my victorious hand.

Anthem

“In that Great Gettin’ up Mornin’”
Sanctuary Choir

J. Hairston

Greeting

Cherise Gardner

Leader: The grace of Jesus Christ and the love of God and the comfort of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Friends, we gather here in the protective shelter of God’s healing love. We are free to pour out our grief, release our anger, face our emptiness, and know that God cares.

People: We gather here as God’s people, conscious of others who have died and of the frailty of our own existence on earth. We come to comfort and to support one another in our common loss. We gather to hear God’s word of hope that can drive away our despair and move us to offer God our praise.

Leader: We gather to commend to God our pastor and friend, Mitch Henson, as we celebrate the good news of Christ’s resurrection.

People: For whether we live or whether we die, we belong to Christ who is Lord both of the dead and of the living.

Prayer

David Wood

Scripture Lesson

Leif Lind

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. Then the King will say to those on his right, “Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of

the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.”

Then the righteous will answer him, “Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?” The King will reply, “I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.” —*Matthew 25:31, 34-40*

Hymn (by family request)

“When We All Get to Heaven”

No. 633

Scripture Lesson

Michael Quishenberry

I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life. I tell you the truth, a time is coming and has now come when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who hear will live. For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son to have life in himself.

All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all that he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. For my Father’s will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. —*John 5:24-26; 6:37-40*

Life Sketch

Douglas Schultz

Solo

“No More Night”
Jesse Martin

Harrah/Kirkland

“Remembering Mitch”: Video presentation, Rudy Torres, Bill Terry, Jon & Mimi Stemkoski, Teal Metts, Ken Webber, Tom Bazemore, Victor Villalba, Meredith Torres, Darin Padua, Jody Padua

Solo

“God Leads Us Along”

Don Greathouse

Homily

Larry Caviness

Moment of silence

Benediction & Lord’s Prayer

Larry Caviness

Organ reflection

“The Lord’s My Shepherd”

Kemp Smeal