

Order of Worship

10:50 am – 12:10 pm

(Please turn off all cell phones & pagers for the worship service)

Prelude “Prelude on a Melody by Gibbons” *Healey Willan*

Entering of the Light

Choral Call to Worship “Order My Steps” *Glen Burleigh*

Invocation Leif Lind

Opening Hymn “O God, Our Help” No. 103

Gifts of the Congregation Christel McRae

Anthem “Stand!” *John P. Kee*

Worship in Giving

Morning Offering Beverly Tarr

Offertory “My Everything” *Richard Smallwood*

Children's Sermon Cherise Gardner

Greetings and Prayers of the Congregation Rudy Torres

(Please remain standing for prayer)

Prayer Response

More love to thee, O Christ! More love to thee;

Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee.

This is my earnest plea, more love, O Christ, to thee,

More love to thee! More love to thee!

Anthem “Only You Are Holy” *Donnie McClurkin*

Scripture **Romans 8:28-32, 35, 37-39** Anoosh Keshishzade

Sermon “A Bedtime Story” Leif Lind

Closing Hymn “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” No. 538

Benediction Leif Lind

Choral Benediction “The Lord Bless You and Keep You” *P. Lutkin*

Postlude “Postlude in D” *Healey Willan*

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	Leif Lind
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	Marquita Kibble

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		Monday at 7:00 p.m.
Marathon Clinic	Verdugo Park	Sunday at 7:00 a.m.

Church Directory

Pastors

Rudy Torres, Interim Senior Pastor
Cherise Gardner, Family & Children's Ministries
Hovik Sarrafian, Armenian Senior Pastor
Vartkes Azadian, Armenian Associate Pastor
Dorin Lataeanu, Romanian Senior Pastor
Leif Lind, Church Administrator

Officers

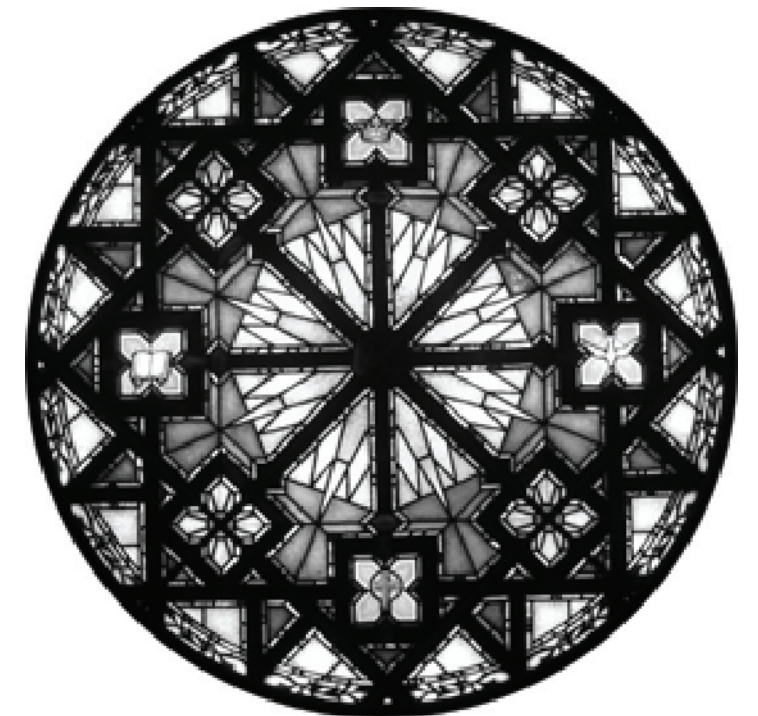
Head Elder	Don Greathouse
Head Deacon	Harold Fanselau
Head Deaconess	Eleanor Posner
Church Board Chair	Vincent Haynes
Choir Director	Brenda Mohr
Organist	Kemp Smeal
Children's Choir Director	Lissie Quishenberry
Bell Choir Director	Ariel Quintana
Secretary	Victoria Lucero
Treasurer	Dean Vendouris
Church Clerk	Mindi Rüb
A+ School Board Chair	Andrew Cervik
A+ School Principal	Jeanie Drake
Pathfinder Director	Preston Carman

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; Friday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

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Glendale City Seventh-day Adventist Church



August 30, 2008

Scripture Reading

Romans 8:28-32; 35, 37-39

**And we know that in all things God works
for the good of those who love him,
who have been called according to his purpose.**

For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

**Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?
Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine
or nakedness or danger or sword?**

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

**For I am convinced that neither death nor life,
neither angels nor demons,
neither the present nor the future,
nor any powers,
neither height nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God
that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Sermon Resources

There is probably no point at which the Christian doctrine of God comes more into conflict with contemporary worldviews than in the matter of God's providence. Providence means that God has not abandoned the world that he created, but rather works within that creation to manage all things according to the "immutable counsel of His own will" (*Westminster Confession of Faith, V, i*). By contrast, the world at large, even if it will on occasion acknowledge God to have been the world's Creator, is at least certain that he does not now intervene in human affairs. Many think that miracles do not happen, that prayer isn't answered and that most things "fall out" according to the functioning of impersonal and unchangeable laws.

The world argues that evil abounds. How can evil be compatible with the concept of a good God who is actively ruling this world? There are natural disasters: fires, earthquakes, and floods. In the past, these have been called "acts of God." Should we blame God for them? Isn't it better to imagine that he simply has left the world to pursue its own course?

Such speculation can be answered on two levels. First, even from the secular perspective, such thinking is not as obvious as it seems. Second, it is not the teaching of the Bible.

—*God's Providence* by James Montgomery Boice
(www.new-testament-christian.com)

Our Guest Choir Today

We warmly welcome the Selah Gospel Choir from Pasadena, under the directorship of DeReau Farrar, with accompanist Kelly Whitworth. DeReau has extensive experience in many musical forms, including choral conducting, opera, and teaching music. He is a member of the American Guild of Musical Artists. For further information, please visit www.dereaukfarrrar.com.

City Church Announcements

Today's Flowers are given as a warm thank you from Terry Bork and Mindi Rub. They are very grateful and touched by the Endowment's presentation to them on August 9.

We welcome our organist, **Taylor Ruhl**, today.

Upcoming committees: Planning Committee members will meet for a working lunch **after Church today**. **Search Committee:** September 6. **Church Board** will meet on Tuesday, September 9.

Sunshine/Jubilate Singers Sign-up: after Worship Service today. If interested, please see director Lissie Quishenberry.

Adventist Forum Meetings are being revived at City Church! Last week was a success! The next Forum meeting will be September 27.

A+ Children's Center. Enroll your child now for the 2008-09 school year while there is still space available. We have a safe and nurturing environment for children aged 18 months to 1st grade. Before- and after-school care is available. Call 818/241-9353 to enroll. You are also invited to our first event, Open House, September 16, 6:30 p.m.

If you are interested in joining the Choir or watching a rehearsal, you are welcome to come and visit! Rehearsals are each Sabbath morning at 9:15 a.m. downstairs in the Choir Room. If you would like to talk to Brenda, please call her at 818-209-6795 or email brendamohr@hotmail.com.

Help City Church by being a P.A./Media operator! If you have ever been interested in operating the public address system, run PowerPoint programs, etc. this is for you! Training will be offered **September 13**, immediately following the church service, by Pastor Cristian Jordan from Campus Hill Church. Lunch is provided. P.A./Media operators will need to have this training before serving at Glendale City. **A regular stipend will now be paid to operators.**

Pathfinders will meet regularly on Wednesdays. For further information contact Preston (818) 334-4360.

A young student, Tori Lee, who is working part-time at the Adventist Hospital in Glendale **needs apartment/room for rent**. If you can assist, please contact church office for further details.

International Food and Health Fair. City Church will host this fundraising event in the courtyard and Fellowship Hall on Sunday, September 28, 1–5 p.m. There will be food representing different countries, games for children and youth, a special event in the new Chapel, as well as health information and testing. Funds raised will go towards the renovation of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd.

Upcoming Sermons & Events

Elder of the Day	Anoosh Keshishzade	
September 6	Rudy Torres	
September 13	Family Sabbath	Cherise Gardner
September 20	Hymn Festival	Dr. Melvin West

Sunset tonight – 7:23 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 7:14 p.m.