# Order of Worship

10:50 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.
(Please turn off all cell phones & pagers for the worship service)

**Prelude** Canonic Variations on Raymond Haan "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

**Opening Hymn** "Angels from the Realms of Glory" No. 119

Call to Worship

Hear the good news! When the time had fully come,

God sent forth his own Son, born of a virgin, born under law
to redeem those who are guilty of breaking that law.

This Son of God is Jesus Christ, who died for our sins. He forgives us of all our sins.

We are no longer slaves of sin.

Let us rejoice, in the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit! Amen

Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation

Hugh Gardner

(Please remain standing for prayer)

**Prayer Response** 

O Jesus, blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God, Hold us, who wait before Thee, near to the heart of God.

Anthem "Sing We Now of Christmas" arr. K. McChesney
Bell Choir

Morning Offering Gabrielle Guillen

Offertory "Oh Come, O Come Immanuel" arr. K. L. Smeal

Children's Sermon Cherise Gardner

Anthem "O Little Town of Bethlehem" arr. C. Moklebust

Bell Choir

Scripture Luke 2:22, 25-32 Vivian Cain

**Sermon** "Great Expectations" Smuts van Rooyen

Closing Hymn "O Come, O Come, Immanuel" No. 115

**Benediction** Smuts van Rooyen

**Musical Response** 

Postlude "XII Noël" Louis Claude Daquin

## Sabbath School Options

Class	Age	<u>Location</u>	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
Young Adult	19-99 yrs	Youth Center	
Armenian	General	Room 11	
Romanian	General	Room 13	
Pastor	General	Fellowship Hall	Leif Lind
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	

# Worship Options

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

## Activities

Event	<b>Location</b>	<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

### Pastoral Staff

Smuts van Rooyen, Senior Pastor (626-256-4240)
Cherise Gardner, Family & Children's Ministries (909-809-7439)
Hovik Sarrafian, Armenian Senior Pastor (909-796-9536)
Vartkes Azadian, Armenian Associate Pastor (626-335-6507)
Dorin Lataeanu, Romanian Senior Pastor (909-528-2545)
Leif Lind, Church Administrator (909-557-5230)

### Officers

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Head Elder	Don Greathouse (626-796-8579)			
Head Deacon	John Nielsen (818-904-0825)			
Head Deaconess	Eleanor Posner (818-281-5822)			
Church Board Chair	Vincent Haynes (213-276-2131)			
Choir Director	Brenda Mohr (brendajmohr@gmail.com)			
Organist	Kemp Smeal (714-658-4885)			
Children's Choir Director	1 ,			
Bell Choir Director	Ariel Quintana (818-552-2421)			
Secretary	Victoria Lucero (818-244-7241 office)			
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Church Clerk	Mindi Rüb (mindilus@mac.com)			
A+ School Board Chair	Beverly Tarr (626-449-7319)			
A+ School Principal	Anoosh Keshishzade (818-241-9353 school)			
Pathfinder Director	Warren Dale (818-384-2820)			
Facilities Administrator	Wayne Libby (818-522-4297)			
Church Office House				

#### **Church Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m; Friday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Cover art by Sue Henson, 2000. All rights reserved.

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# Glendale City Seventh-day Adventist Church



December 5, 2009

# Scripture Reading

# Luke 2:22, 25-32

When the time of their purification according to the Law of Moses had been completed,

Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem

to present him to the Lord.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him.

It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts.

When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required,

Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

"Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you now dismiss your servant in peace.

For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all people,

a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."



# Closing Hymn No. 115, "O Come, O Come, Immanuel"

O come, O come, Immanuel,
 And ransom captive Israel

 That mourns in lonely exile here
 Until the Son of God appear.

## Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel!

- 2. O come, Thou Wisdom from on high, And order all things, far and nigh; To us the path of knowledge show, And cause us in her ways to go.
- 3. O come, Desire of nations, bind All peoples in one heart and mind; Bid envy, strife, and quarrels cease; Fill the whole world with heaven's peace.

# Upcoming Sermons & Events

Elder of the DayDon GreathouseDecember 12Smuts van RooyenDecember 19Christmas ProgramDecember 26Smuts van Rooyen

Sunset tonight - 4:43 p.m. Sunset next Friday - 4:43 p.m.

# City Church Announcements

Welcome to City Church! May you be blessed in worship today.

We welcome our guest Bell Choir Director today, Cheryl Smith!

*Today!* "Find Your Roots: Digging Deeper in Faith" is the theme for the new **Young Adult Sabbath School Class** from 10 a.m.–10:50 a.m. in the Youth Center. Come and see—we think you'll be surprised!

**Year-end Contributions.** In completing the work of the Chapel, we are in the process of getting an organ, but are \$26,000 short of the total funds needed. Those interested in making year-end contributions are invited to consider this important project.

Facebook user? You're invited to join the "Friends of Glendale City Church" group on Facebook. Please invite others to join as well. If you want to promote a church event to this group, please contact the church office or one of the pastoral staff.

Church Fellowship Potlucks are more than just a meal. Eating together is a way of breaking down barriers and creating community! Please join your church family and visitors after church next Sabbath, December 12 for wonderful fellowship and delicious food. Bring a main dish—the church supplies the rest. Invite a friend to church and to lunch. See you there!

The Glendale Pathfinders are again hosting guests at the Rose Parade. This is a wonderful opportunity to see the parade in style, with transportation and a wonderful breakfast provided. Tickets this year are \$80 each. Book early as we usually sell out. For more information and reservations call Warren Dale 818-384-2820.

AIDS Service Center Benefit. You are invited to a Movie Night benefiting the AIDS Service Center on December 12, at 6:30 p.m. at City Church. Donation is \$10 per person/\$25 per family, including movie and Italian Dinner. RSVP by Wednesday, December 9, 3 p.m. For more information contact Cindy Estipona, 818-389-7737.

Glendale Adventist Academy Holiday Concerts: • Wednesday, December 9, 7:00 p.m. featuring the Elementary Bands (grades 5-8; in the school gymnasium). • Thursday, December 10, 7:00 p.m. featuring the Academy Band and Jazz Band (in the school gymnasium). • Thursday, December 17, 7:00 p.m. featuring the Elementary and Academy Choirs (grades 5-12; at the Vallejo Drive SDA Church). For more information, call the Glendale Academy (700 Kimlin Dr., Glendale), 818-244-8671.

A+ Adventist Children's Center is looking for an **experienced school bus driver**. Please call the School Office for details and ask for Anoosh Keshishzade, 818-241-9353.

Church member Lucille Davis is looking for a **caregiver** 3-4 days a week, up to 5 hours a day for light house-cleaning and companionship. If interested, please call 818-507-5844.

Church member Katherine White is looking for someone to give her a **ride to church** at least once a month. Please contact the Church Office for more information.