

Order of Worship

10:50 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

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

Prelude “Mass for Organ” (*excerpts*) *François Couperin*

Call to Worship

The hour is coming, and is now here,
when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth.
God is spirit, and those who worship him
must worship in spirit and truth. —John 4:23, 24, NRSV

Hymn of Praise “When Morning Gilds the Skies” No. 43

Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation Leif Lind
(Please remain standing for prayer)

Prayer Response (No. 684)
Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord,
Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace.

Gifts of the Congregation Cherise Gardner

Vocal Solo “Walk Together, Children” *arr. Moses Hogan*
Clarissa Shan, *soprano*

Call to Offering Salomon Schmidt
(Unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense)

Offertory “Shepherd of My Heart” *Mark Baldwin & Dick Tunney*
Clarissa Shan, *soprano*

Children’s Sermon Cherise Gardner

Vocal Solo “Alleluia” from *Exsultate Jubilate* *Mozart*
Clarissa Shan, *soprano*

Scripture **John 3:16-21;** Claudia Dahlsten-White
Romans 8:31b-35, 38, 39

Sermon “When God and Christians
Are at Cross Purposes” Rudy Torres

Closing Hymn “Only Trust Him” No. 279

Benediction Rudy Torres

Musical Response

Postlude “Festal Flourish” *Gordon Jacob*

Whether you’re a regular member or a visitor,
we encourage you to continue to fellowship with our Church family after the worship service!
Please also feel free to contact any of our pastoral staff if you have a question or need help.

Sabbath School Options (9:30-10:30 a.m.)

Class	Age	Location	Symbols/Leaders
Beginners	0-3 yrs	Room 3	Elephant
Kinder/Primary	4 yrs to 4th grade	Room 4	Giraffe
Junior	5th & 6th grade	Room 1	Lion
Earliteen	7th & 8th grade	Room 2	Eagle
Teen	14-17 yrs	Room 10b	Fish
Young Adults	19-99	Multipurpose Room	Rachel Pereyra
Armenian	General	Room 11	
Romanian	General	Room 13	
Pastor	General	Fellowship Hall	Leif Lind
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	Doug Schultz

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
Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	Sabbath at 9:15 a.m.
Pathfinders	GAMC Gymnasium	Tuesday at 6:45 p.m.
Bible Study	Council Room	Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.
Children’s Choir	Room 10b	Sabbath at Noon
Marathon Clinic	Verdugo Park	Sunday at 7:00 a.m.

Church Directory

Pastoral Staff

Rudy Torres, Interim Senior Pastor (818-244-7241)
Cherise Gardner, Family & Children’s Ministries (626-484-8436)
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Officers

Head Elder	Don Greathouse (626-796-8579)
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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



“Revealing Christ, affirming all.”

August 11, 2012

Responsive Reading

John 3:16-21; Romans 8:31b-35, 38, 39 (NRSV)

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

**For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,
but to save the world through him.**

Whoever believes in him is not condemned,
but whoever does not believe stands condemned already
because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

**This is the verdict:
Light has come into the world,
but men loved darkness instead of light
because their deeds were evil.**

Everyone who does evil hates the light,
and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed.
But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light,
so that it may be seen plainly that what he has done
has been done through God."

**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 will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen?
It is God who justifies.

Who is he that condemns?
Christ Jesus, who died—more than that, who was raised to life—
is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

Shall trouble or hardship
or persecution or famine
or nakedness or danger or sword?

**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.**



Closing Hymn No. 279: "Only Trust Him"

1. Come, every soul by sin oppressed,
There's mercy with the Lord,
And He will surely give you rest,
By trusting in His word.

Refrain:

Only trust Him, only trust Him,
Only trust Him now;
He will save you, He will save you,
He will save you now.

2. For Jesus shed His precious blood
Rich blessings to bestow;
Plunge now into the crimson flood
That washes white as snow.

3. Yes, Jesus is the truth, the way,
That leads you into rest;
Believe in Him without delay,
And you are fully blest.

4. Come, then, and join this holy band,
And on to glory go,
To dwell in that celestial land,
Where joys immortal flow.

Church-wide News

COLUMBIA UNION CONSTITUENCY OVERWHELMINGLY APPROVES ORDINATION WITHOUT REGARD TO GENDER

In a specially called session of the Columbia Union Conference Constituency on July 29, delegates from its eight conferences voted overwhelmingly to approve a recommendation from the union executive committee authorizing ordination without regard to gender.

Despite General Conference attempts to influence the vote against passing, the historic vote was 209 in favor and 51 opposed, with nine abstentions—a ratio of 4 to 1. The approved motion states: "That the Columbia Union Conference authorize ordination to the gospel ministry without regard to gender." This means that the union will no longer deny requests from conferences to ordain proven female ministers to the gospel ministry.

The Northern German Union recently voted similarly, and the Pacific Union will vote on this on August 19. "There was a good spirit and healthy discussion, all bathed in prayer," says Dave Weigley, Columbia Union president. "We remain part of, united with, and fully committed to the mission of the worldwide Seventh-day Adventist Church."

The nearly four-hour meeting is available for viewing at www.columbiaunion.org/2012specialconstituency.

City Church Announcements

*"All are welcome — whoever you are, whatever your journey or background.
God excludes no one, and neither do we."*

Join us in welcoming our returning guest organist, Sean Coburn O'Neal!

Attention all Children's Sabbath Schools! Sabbath Schools K–Youth will be joined together in the Youth Room from now through September 1.

The next **L.A. Forum** will be August 25, 3 p.m., welcoming **Bernard Brandstater, M.D., Professor of Anesthesiology at Loma Linda and President of Loma Linda Forum.** Topic: "Updated Creation Strategies for the Adventist Church"

Our monthly **Potlucks** will resume on the fourth Sabbath, starting this month, August 25.

A memorial service for Wilbur Matthews, father of Myrna Matthews-Haynes, will be in the Chapel on Sabbath, September 1, at 2:30 p.m. Reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

Mid-week Bible Study Class "God in the 66," will meet in the Council Room, Tuesday, 6-8 p.m. All welcome.

Youth Programs (*for more information, contact Pastor Cherise, 626-484-8436*): Mark your calendars for Community Service Activities after worship service, August 25.

A+ Children's Center Summer Camp, now through August 30, ages 5-9 years. For more info contact 818-241-9353.

A+ NEED: The school is accepting bids to replace the **Fellowship Hall's partition**. If you know anyone who does this, please contact the school at 818-241-9353.

Online giving of tithes or special projects? Go to glendalecitysda.org and click on "Donate to Glendale City Church Here."

Church Financial Snapshot

YEAR TO DATE 2012 (FOR 31 WEEKS, THROUGH AUGUST 4)
BUDGETED LOCAL FUNDS INCOME \$252,419
ACTUAL LOCAL FUNDS RECEIVED \$236,528
SHORTFALL \$15,891

Upcoming Sermons & Events

Elder of the Day
August 18
August 25

Hugh Gardner
Doug Schultz
Rudy Torres

Sunset tonight – 7:46 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 7:38 p.m.