

Order of Worship

10:50 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

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

Prelude “Sonata I—Allegro moderato e serioso” *Felix Mendelssohn*

Call to Worship Leif Lind

Serve the Lord with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;**

give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever.

—Ps. 100:2-5

Hymn of Praise “Be Thou My Vision” No. 547

Prayers of the Congregation Don Greathouse

(Please remain standing for prayer)

Prayer Response (No. 495)

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

Anthem “Let the People Praise” *Allen Pote*

Scripture **Hebrews 11:1-40, sel. (NRSV)** Ingrid Beer-Helm

Anthem “Moses” (see text in bulletin) *Ken Medema*

Sermon “Different Strokes for Different Folks —
Understanding our own unique faith journey” Leif Lind

Offertory “Climbing Up the Mountain” *Negro Spiritual*
Jesse Martin, *baritone*

(Unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense)

Hymn of Response “God Moves in a Mysterious Way” No. 107

Benediction Leif Lind

Postlude “Sonata I—Allegro assai vivace” *Felix Mendelssohn*

Whether you're a regular member or a visitor, we encourage you to continue to fellowship with our church family! 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
Children's Meet & Great	All	Multipurpose Room	Sanctuary Basement
Beginners	0-3 yrs	Room 3	Elephant
Kinder/Primary/ & Junior	4 yrs to 6th grade	Room 1	Lion
Earliteen	7th & 8th grade	Room 4	Eagle
Teen	14-17 yrs	Youth Room, 10	Chapel Basement
Armenian	General	Room 11	
Romanian	General	Room 13	
Grace Center	General	Fellowship Hall	Leif Lind
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	Marquita Kibble

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	Fellowship Hall	1st & 3rd Sabbath, 12 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

Todd Leonard, Senior Pastor (818-441-3364)
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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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Responsive Reading

Hebrews 11:1-2, 6, 17-18, 24, 27, 30-34, 39-40
(NRSV)

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval.

**Without faith it is impossible to please God,
for whoever would approach him must believe that he exists
and that he rewards those who seek him.**

By faith Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac.
He who had received the promises was ready to offer up his only son,
of whom he had been told,

“It is through Isaac that descendants shall be named for you.”

**By faith Moses, when he was grown up,
refused to be called a son of Pharaoh’s daughter.
By faith he left Egypt, unafraid of the king’s anger;
for he persevered as though he saw him who is invisible.**

**By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for
seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those
who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.**

And what more should I say?
For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah,
of David and Samuel and the prophets—
who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice,
obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire,
escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness,
became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.

**Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith,
did not receive what was promised,
since God had provided something better
so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.**



Upcoming Sermons & Events

Elder of the Day	Don Greathouse
February 16	Todd Leonard
February 23	Cherise Gardner
March 2	Todd Leonard

Sunset tonight – 5:31 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 5:37 p.m.

Church Financial Snapshot

YEAR TO DATE 2013 (FOR 4 WEEKS, THROUGH FEBRUARY 2)
BUDGETED LOCAL FUNDS INCOME \$40,146
ACTUAL LOCAL FUNDS RECEIVED \$33,086
SHORTFALL \$7,060

2nd Anthem: “Moses” (Ken Medema)

*Old Moses, 'way back there in the wilderness,
saw some smoke, came to the bush, and the bush was burnin'.*

God said, “Take off your shoes, Moses, you’re on holy ground.

Moses, I’ve chosen you to be my man,

Moses, 'way down in Egypt’s land.

Moses, I’ve chosen you to work for me,

Moses, I’ve chosen you to set my people free!”

“Not me, Lord! Don’t you know I can’t talk so good;
I stutter all the time. Do you know my brother, Aaron?

He can sing like an angel, talk like a preacher.

Not me, Lord! I can’t talk so good.

“And another thing,

How will they know that I’ve been here with you?

How will they know what you’ve sent me to do?

Don’t you know that in Egypt, they want little Moses’ head?

Don’t you know that in Egypt, they want little Moses dead?

Don’t you know they’ll never hear a single word I’ll say!

Maybe you’d get your dirty work done another way!

Not me, Lord!”

“What’s that in your hand, Moses?”

“It’s just a rod.”

“Throw it down, Moses.”

“Do you mean, like, on the ground?”

“Yes, I said, throw it down, Moses.”

“Lord, don’t take my rod away from me,

Don’t you know it’s my only security?

Don’t you know when you live here all alone,

A man’s gotta have something he can call his own;

Not me, Lord!”

“Throw it down, Moses.”

“But, Lord, I ...”

“Throw it down, Moses.”

“But ...”

“Throw it down, Moses.”

*Moses threw the rod on the ground
And the rod became a hissing snake!
Well, Moses started runnin’. Well, maybe you’d run.
You’d run. Well, maybe I’d run.
I’d run. He was a-runnin’ from a hot rod!
Runnin’ from a hissing snake!
Runnin’ scared of what God’s gonna do!
Runnin’ scared He’ll get a hold of you!*

And the Lord said, “Stop, pick it up, Moses, by the tail!”

“Lord, you have not lived here very long!

Lord, you’ve got the whole thing wrong!

Don’t you know that you never pick up a hissing snake by his ...”

“Pick it up, Moses!”

“Oh, God, it’s a rod again, it’s a rod again, it’s a rod again!”

“Do you know what it means, Moses? Do you know what I’m trying to say, Moses?”

The rod of Moses became the rod of God!

With the rod of God, strike the rock and the water will come;

“With the rod of God, part the waters of the sea;

With the rod of God, you can strike old Pharaoh dead;

With the rod of God, you can set the people free.”

What do you hold in your hand today?

To what or to whom are you bound?

Are you willing to give it to God right now?

Give it up, give it up, let it go, let it go, throw it down.

City Church Announcements

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

We extend warm **congratulations to Ellee Posner** on her induction into the Glendale Adventist Academy chapter of the National Honor Society. As a sophomore, she has earned this honor as a result of her sterling work in the area of scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Continue the great work!

Music Committee members: please remember to meet for a luncheon meeting in the Council Room after the worship service today.

Remember **Second Saturday Series this afternoon**, with performance by the Afro-American Chamber Music Society, 4 p.m.! See flyer for more information.

Sabbath, February 16, 4:30 p.m., Al Ferry together with renowned soloist Ross Vercammen (<http://vimeo.com/17946920>) will be presenting a **gospel music program** to support their work for disadvantaged youth. Freewill offering admission; see flyer.

February 16, Potluck. The theme will be Mexican cuisine. If you wish to participate, please contact Eleanor or Ellenis (ellenistohdjojo@gmail.com or 213-595-5527).

Mid-week Bible Study Class “God in the 66,” Tuesday, Council Room, 6-8 p.m.

The L.A. Adventist Forum will meet Sabbath, **February 23, at 5:30 p.m. in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd**, corner of Isabel Street and California Avenue, Glendale, where the film “Seventh Day Adventists” will be shown. It is a new documentary film about the intersection of faith, identity, and sexuality set in the context of the Adventist Church. Admission is free; all welcome. Please note the new **time: 5:30 p.m.**

New small group coming in the Valley! Jeevan Johnson, one of our church elders living in Van Nuys, wants to begin a **Friday evening group study and discussion**. If you would like to help plan it or would like to attend, please contact Jeevan (818-731-0196 or JeevanJohnson7@gmail.com).

New Adult Sabbath School opportunity begins February 23. If you’re not connected to one of our great Sabbath School classes already, you’re invited to check out this new adult option meeting in the youth room from 9:30-10:30 a.m. each Sabbath. To find out more, talk to Hugh Gardner, the Helms, the Jellisons, Todd Leonard, or Mike Quishenberry. More details next week!

Ordination of Pastor Cherise Gardner: Please note that the date of this important event has been **changed to April 27**, at 2:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We warmly invite each member to attend!

Prayer Retreat at Pine Springs Ranch, March 8-10, “Behold Your God: A Prayer Encounter.” Transform your relationship with God, from ordinary to extraordinary with seminars, workshops, and prayer time. Guest speaker Pavel Goia, pastor born and raised in Communist Romania, will share his experience of prayer triumphing in impossible situations. Sponsored by Southeastern and Southern California Conference Prayer Ministries. <http://pray2013.eventbrite.com> Deadline registration February 28, Peggy Tomat, 909-795-6990, pjt.ljt@verizon.net

Complementary **Walla Walla University Alumni Dinner**, Sunday, February 24, 6:00 p.m., The Old Spaghetti Factory, Duarte, CA. Hosted by John McVay and Terri Dickinson Neil. Limited seating, reservation confirmation required: alumni@wallawalla.edu, 509-527-2631.

House for rent: 3-bedroom, 2-bath, in beautiful Glenoaks Canyon of Glendale, \$3,500 per month. For more information, contact Andrew 818-321-1227.

Youth Events

Youth Game Night tonight! We will meet at Jewel City Bowl (135 Glendale Ave.), 6:30–7:30 p.m., and then meet back at the church in the Youth Room for movies. See you there!

Godly Play is every first and third Sabbath of the month, 11:30 a.m. in Room 2 (Giraffe).

The regular **Pathfinder** meetings will be on the **first and third Sabbath** of the month in the Youth Room after the worship service, from 1:00–3:30 p.m.