

## Order of Worship

10:45 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

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

**Prelude** Christmas Melody *Traditional*  
Monique McGuffin Newman, *harp*

**Call to Worship: Lighting of the 4th Advent Candle** Suki Mendizabal  
*Today we light the fourth Advent candle, the Candle of Peace. At Christmas time we celebrate the God of Love who came to Earth as the Prince of Peace. If we are inspired by love, let us be the peacemakers that Jesus calls the children of God.*

**Hymn of Praise** “Good Christians, Now Rejoice” No. 136

**Welcome & Prayer** Cherise Gardner  
(Please remain standing for prayer)

**Anthem** “And the Glory” from *Messiah* G. F. Handel

**Scripture** Matthew 2:1-2, 7-11 Glenda Mendizabal

**Anthem** “O Holy Night” *arr. John Rutter*

**Special Music** “Jesus Christ, the Apple Tree” *Elizabeth Poston*  
“African Noel” *Jean & Dave Perry*  
City Church Children’s Choir

**Youth Drama Club Presents**  
“THE GIFT”

BASED ON TWO O’HENRY PLAYS, ADAPTED BY ANDREA TURNER  
DIRECTED BY ANDREA TURNER, LISSIE QUISHENBERRY,  
& CHERISE GARDNER

### CAST

Sue.....Vivien Lee Posner  
Joanna.....Kiera Quishenberry  
Della.....Jamie Quishenberry  
Jim.....Ryan Rabello  
Dr. Bailey.....Tiara Rabello  
Sophronie.....Shelby Mumford  
Mr. Behrman.....Jonathan Nuñez  
Narrator.....Halle Leonard

**Offertory** “Silent Night” *Traditional*  
Duquessa McGuffin, *violin* & Monique McGuffin Newman, *harp*  
(Unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense)

**Benediction** “Come, Lord Jesus” *A. L. Page*

**Postlude** “Symphony V–Toccata” *Charles Marie Widor*

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
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 (N.)	Leif Lind
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	Todd Leonard
Living Project	General	Fellowship Hall (S.)	

## Worship Options

Option	Location	Sequence
Sanctuary Service	Main Sanctuary	Every Sabbath
Romanian Service	Chapel	1st and 3rd Sabbaths
Armenian Service	Chapel	Every Sabbaths

## Activities

Event	Location	Sequence
Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	Sabbath at 9:15 a.m.
Midweek Bible Study	Council Room	Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.
Marathon Clinic	Verdugo Park	Sunday at 7:00 a.m.

## Youth Activities

Event	Location	Sequence
Youth Game Night	Youth Room	2nd Sabbath, 6:00 p.m.
Godly Play	Room 2 (Giraffe)	1st & 3rd Sabbath, 11:30 p.m.
Pathfinders	Youth Room	1st & 3rd Sabbath, 1–3:30 p.m. p.m.
Children’s Choir	Room 10b	Sabbath at Noon

## Church Directory

### Pastoral Staff

Todd Leonard, *Senior Pastor* (818-441-3364) • Cherise Gardner, *Family & Children’s Ministries* (818-244-7241) • Leif Lind, *Church Administrator* (909-557-5230) • Rudy Torres, *Pastor Emeritus* (714-318-1975) • Hovik Sarrafian, *Armenian Senior Pastor* (909-796-9536) • Vartkes Azadian, *Armenian Associate Pastor* (626-335-6507) • Dorin Latacanu, *Romanian Pastor* (909-528-2545)

### Officers

Head Elder Don Greathouse (626-796-8579)  
Head Deacon John Nielsen (818-605-0057)  
Head Deaconess Eleanor Posner (818-281-5822)  
Church Board Chair Vincent Haynes (213-276-2131)  
Sanctuary Choir Director Sébastien Vallée (831-420-7584)  
Children’s Choir Director Lissie Quishenberry (lissie@crazyladymusic.com)  
Organist Kemp Smeal (714-658-4885)  
Secretary Victoria Lucero (818-244-7241 office)  
Treasurer Dean Vendouris (818-244-7241 office)  
Church Clerk Mindi Rüb (mindilus@mac.com)  
Pathfinder Director Hugh Gardner (626-698-8044)  
Children’s Ministry Asst./PR Coordinator Anji Arm (818-632-7374)  
A+ School Board Chair Glen Christensen (plbboss@aol.com)  
A+ School Director Malisa Smith (818-241-9353 school)  
Facilities Administrator Wayne Libby (760-409-6719)

### 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

## THE SEASON OF ADVENT

“Revealing Christ, affirming all.”



December 21, 2013

Youth Drama Club  
presents

“The Gift”

## Children and Youth Choir

### CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Josie Arm	Rachelle Mausea
Hope Garcia	Drew Quishenberry
Jordan Gaspar	Kyrie Rabello
Mikayla Goulmassian	Shaylee Thomas
Kylee Kaocharoen	Eliyana Vigilia
Kyler Kaocharoen	Yvanna Mausea
Abby Leonard	Suki Mendizabal
Emma Leonard	Kelsey Mumford

### INTRUMENTALISTS

Kathy Dryden, *piano*



**Let Us Know When You Want a Visit.** Our pastoral staff and elders are anxious to meet with you, pray with you, and support you. Help us help you! Contact the church office to set up a visit if you are being admitted to a hospital, or if you know of another member being admitted, get their permission and let us know as well. Hospitals will not contact us due to their patient privacy guidelines. As spiritual leaders, special time with you is one of our pastors' and elders' highest privileges.

#### ADULT SABBATH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY OPTIONS (9:30-10:30 A.M.):

- CHAPEL — SABBATH SCHOOL QUARTERLY (TRADITIONAL): Current study theme: "Major Lessons from Minor Prophets" by Zdravko Stefanovic. Subtitled "Seek the Lord and Live", these lessons examine how God worked through the last prophets of the Old Testament to reveal God's grace for fallen humanity.
- GRACE CENTER (FELLOWSHIP HALL, north end) — New book study: "The Rise and Fall of the Bible: The Unexpected History of an Accidental Book" by Timothy Beal. Early Christianity thrived for centuries without any Bible (or even agreement on which books to include in scripture). The author reveals how the idea of the Bible as an inerrant rulebook is a relatively modern concept, dating from the 19th century. *Note: today this class will combine with the traditional Sabbath School Quarterly class.*
- THE LIVING PROJECT (FELLOWSHIP HALL, south end) — Social and interactive sharing of personal, cultural, religious, scientific, and scriptural stories. As we connect with our stories we seek to discover our common story in God.

## Responsive Reading

### Matthew 2:1, 2, 7-11

Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the reign of King Herod. **About that time some wise men from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose, and we have come to worship him."** ...Then Herod called for a private meeting with the wise men, and he learned from them the time when the star first appeared. Then he told them, "Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him, too!"

**After this interview the wise men went their way. And the star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were filled with joy!** They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

## City Church Announcements

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

Today we welcome our **guest conductor, Ty Woodward!**

Enjoy our Christmas service **petting zoo** today, 9:30-10:50 a.m. in the courtyard, with refreshments. This will take the place of Children's Sabbath Schools. All are welcome!

**Today's Potluck** will be International Cuisine. Bring your favorite ethnic dish to share in fellowship. All welcome!

**Rose Parade with the Pathfinders, 2013!** Buy your tickets now, \$90. This includes your transportation to the event, breakfast, and seating. See Hugh Gardner for details.

**Connect with our community through service:** Glendale City Church is beginning to build relationships with our city! **Communitas Congregations**, the non-profit we launched last month under **Ryan Bell, director**, is providing us a couple opportunities to serve during the holiday season. If you are interested in participating in one of these projects, text Ryan at 323-313-4035 with your name and email.

**Coming Soon: Online Church Campus—City Church Goes Global!** The Sabbath morning worship will be rebroadcast three times a week for all who are unable—due to distance, health challenges etc.—to be physically present at church. There will be opportunity for viewers to discuss and interact with comments or questions through the chat feature, and to receive counseling or Bible study. *We are currently looking for additional chat hosts for the weekly rebroadcasts.* Spread the word to those you know: City Church will soon be globally available!

Please make a note of **Pastor Todd's new email address**, and add it to your list of contacts: <Todd.J.Leonard@gmail.com>.

**Attention e-Newsletter Subscribers!** The *GCC News* was sent out recently to 151 subscribers; however, **all** the AOL addresses bounced back, and many of the *earthlink.net* addresses were rejected. If you have an AOL or Earthlink email address, please contact your email provider and request that they allow email from our Church's **new email address, glendalecitychurch.org**. Make sure our email address the e-Newsletter comes from, **webmaster@glendalecitychurch.org**, is in your address book, contacts list, or approved sender list, and have our email address white-listed with your company if you have subscribed from a business email address.

You are invited to **become a member** of the **Friends of Music** at Glendale City Church. For decades, Friends of Music has provided support for concerts at the church. As we approach the end of the year, please consider contributing. For more information, call the church office at 818-244-7241.

## Church Financial Snapshot

### YEAR TO DATE 2013 (FOR 50 WEEKS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 23)

BUDGETED LOCAL FUNDS INCOME \$405,929

ACTUAL LOCAL FUNDS RECEIVED \$395,957

SHORTFALL \$9,972

## Upcoming Sermons & Events

**Elder of the Day**  
**December 28**  
**January 4**  
**January 11**

**Barbara Jones**  
 Todd Leonard  
 Todd Leonard  
 Communion

*Sunset tonight – 4:47 p.m. • Sunset next Friday – 4:51 p.m.*