

Order of Worship

10:50 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

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

Prelude "Prelude, Fugue, and Chaconne" *Dietrich Buxtehude*

Call to Worship Arlene Chow

Oh, sing to the LORD a new song!
Sing to the LORD, all the earth.
Sing to the LORD, bless His name.

Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day.

**Declare His glory among the nations,
His wonders among all peoples.**

—Ps. 96

Hymn of Praise "O Worship the King" No. 83

Prayers of the Congregation Doug Schultz

Prayer Response (No. 684)

Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord,
Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace.

Anthem "I Believe in Christ" *John Longhurst;*
arr. Mack Wilberg

Children's Sermon Stephanie Azali

A special Lamb's Offering for student assistance fund will be collected as the children enter for the Children's Sermon; opportunity for members to greet each other while the children leave afterwards for Godly Play.

Anthem "City Called Heaven" *arr. Josephine Poelinitz*

Scripture Luke 3:7-14 Emily Estrada

Sermon "Be the Church Every Day" Arlene Chow

Offertory "Because of Who You Are" *Farrell & Smiley*
Jesse Martin, *baritone*

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

Closing Hymn "Come With Rejoicing" *See Bulletin*
Tune: BUNESSAN

Benediction Arlene Chow

Musical Response

Postlude "Symphony I—Finale" *Louis Vierne*

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 & Greet	All	Multipurpose Room	Sanctuary Basement
Beginners	0-3 yrs	Room 3	Elephant
Kinder/1st Grade	4-7 years	Room 2	Giraffe
Junior	2nd 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	
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	
Grace Center	General	Fellowship Hall (N.)	Leif Lind
Living Project	General	Fellowship Hall (S.)	

Worship Options

Option	Location	Sequence
Sanctuary Service	Main Sanctuary	Every Sabbath
Romanian Service	Fellowship Hall	1st, 2nd, 3rd Sabbaths, 11 a.m.
Armenian Service	Chapel	Every Sabbath, 11 a.m.

Activities

Event	Location	Sequence
Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	Sabbath at 9:15 a.m.
Young Adults' Open Door	Multipurpose Room	Friday at 7:30 p.m.
Marathon Clinic	Verdugo Park	Sunday at 7:00 a.m.

Youth Activities

Event	Location	Sequence
Youth Game Night	Youth Room	2nd Sabbath, 6:30 p.m.
Godly Play	Room 2 (Giraffe)	1st & 3rd Sabbaths, 11:20 a.m.
Pathfinders	Youth Room	1st & 3rd Sabbath, 1-3:30 p.m.
Children's Choir	Room 10b	Sabbath at Noon

Church Directory

Pastoral Staff

Todd Leonard, *Senior Pastor* (818-441-3364) • Arlene Chow, *Young Adult Director* (818-472-5287) • Leif Lind, *Church Administrator & Online Campus Director* (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 Lateanu, *Romanian Pastor* (909-528-2545)

Church Officers

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Glendale City Seventh-day Adventist Church

"Revealing Christ, affirming all."



September 20, 2014



Scripture Reading

Luke 3:7-14

John said to the crowds coming out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

"What should we do then?" the crowd asked.

John answered, "Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do the same."

Even tax collectors came to be baptized. "Teacher," they asked, "what should we do?"

"Don't collect any more than you are required to," he told them.

Then some soldiers asked him, "And what should we do?"

He replied, "Don't extort money and don't accuse people falsely—be content with your pay."

New Sermon Series

City Church is filled with amazing people and has a unique position in our city and our denomination. There is work that we can do here that few others can. Pastor Todd wants to join you in thinking about how we can embrace that uniqueness. How can we BE the church? How can we have more than the "go to church" mentality that emphasizes ideas that only serve our spiritual needs? What practices and priorities can shift us towards creating safer community? What can we do to develop a more compassionate presence in Glendale and online? How can we pursue a deeper individual and communal spirituality? Today, Arlene Chow will be continuing the new sermon series.



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

- CHAPEL — SABBATH SCHOOL QUARTERLY (TRADITIONAL)—Current study theme: "The Teachings of Jesus" by Carlos Steger, dean of School of Theology at River Plate Adventist University, Argentina. Christ was the greatest teacher or rabbi—through sermons, parables, and interactions with individuals and crowds. Topics this quarter include Jesus' words on salvation, the church, mission, God's law, the Sabbath, and the Second Coming.
- GRACE CENTER (FELLOWSHIP HALL, north end) — Current book: "Searching for the God of Grace", by Stuart Tyner. This book focuses on the dilemma we as Christians often have, where we acknowledge that we are "saved by grace," yet fail to comprehend fully what that means. Written in a practical, easy-to-comprehend style, it concludes every chapter with a section of thought-provoking questions entitled "Grace Notes," encouraging deeper discussion. Also: Follow City Church's Online weekly blog of this book at <http://glendalecitychurch.org/index.php/easyblog.html>, or by going to the link on our Church website, www.glendalecitychurch.org, and add your questions, comments, and feedback!
- 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.

Closing Hymn: "Come With Rejoicing" Tune: BUNESSAN

1. Come with rejoicing, covenant people:
God's love is voicing hope for the earth:
bringing salvation to all the people.
Your restoration comes in this birth.
2. Gone is the darkness, gone is the sorrow,
ending all starkness, by the new light.
God is now bringing hope for tomorrow.
Welcome, with singing, heaven's delight.
3. Join in thanksgiving. Sing with the angels.
Perfect your living. Mirror God's love.
Refresh your spirit; drink from the deep wells;
receive the Spirit sent from above.
4. This invitation comes with a warning,
an expectation: Live in the Lord.
With him you are sent, mission is forming:
in your commitment Christ is adored.

—F. Richard Garland, 2009

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.

Find City Church Online

City Church's Online Campus expands next month! Starting in October, we plan to expand the church service rebroadcasts by being "live" every evening of the week, Sunday through Friday at 8 p.m. and Saturday mornings at 11 a.m., Pacific and Eastern times (14 broadcasts per week). It should make it simpler for viewers to remember that we are online at the same time every weekday. This means, of course, that we urgently need more chat hosts for each service—welcoming viewers at the beginning, and wishing them God's blessing at the end of the service. Please let us know if you have questions, or would be willing to help regularly or occasionally for any of these time slots, and share the blessings we receive at City Church with those who are unable to worship with us in person!

Find us on Twitter! @CityChurchGlen or Online Campus @GCCChurchOnline.

Join our weekly spiritual blog@www.glendalecitychurch.org. Currently we are discussing Stuart Tyner's "Searching for the God of Grace."

City Church Online@citychurch-online.org. During "Live" streaming you can chat with others watching; archived sermons are available for later viewing. Take part in our ministry by becoming a Chat Host. See Leif Lind for details, or call the church office.

City Church Audio Sermons available on iTunes! Our podcast has the last 20 episodes. Subscribe and never miss a sermon.

City Church Announcements

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

Sascha Allen's mother, Ingrid, is requesting prayer in dealing with the loss of her son, as well as her own health challenges. Please contact the office for further information.

Deacons' Meeting today, 12:30 p.m., Multipurpose Room. Deacons, please join our head deacon, Ronald Matusea, and Pastors Todd and Leif in the Multipurpose Room. This will take place at the same time as potluck, so please grab your lunch and join us downstairs. Thanks for scheduling this time as we talk about your ministry.

Join us for **Potluck today** as we share "comfort food". All welcome! The next potluck will be on the first Sabbath of the month, October 4 (no potluck October 18); the theme is "international."

The next **Church Board** will take place this Tuesday, September 23 at 7:00 p.m.

L.A. Adventist Forum, Sabbath, September 27, 3:00 p.m., Chapel. The speaker will be Ron Graybill, Ph.D., previously assistant secretary to the White Estate. He will be addressing "The Big Bible, Bigger Still: A Study of the Harmon Family Bible and Its Role in Adventist History." All are welcome.

City Church is hosting a **German Youth Choir will perform for us on Sabbath, October 4 for our Worship Service.** We express the deepest gratitude to those who have opened their homes to host these 40 children.

Please see the flyer on how to **contribute to ADRA's** partnership with GlobalMedic and Loma Linda University in seeking to combat the devastating expansion of the **Ebola virus** in West Africa.

For those who were unable to attend, or who wish to view again, a **video of Dr. Marsh's memorial service** is now available on City Church's website at <<http://glendalecitychurch.org/index.php/worship-service/video/197-september-6-2014-memorial-concert-celebration-for-robert-l-marsh-md.html>>. It can also be accessed directly from YouTube at <<http://youtu.be/U-RWycXbiZA>>.

Glendale Adventist Elementary Meet-and-Greet, every second Monday, 6-7:00 p.m., for Pre-Kindergartners to meet their potential Kindergarten teachers of GAE and learn what excellence GAE has to offer. For more information visit glendaleacademy.org.

Check out **Pastor Todd's blog** with sermons, articles, and thoughts on his website, toddjleonard.com!

Need help in **pre-planning with funerals and cemetery property?** Our church member, **Mirta Marconi-Rothacher** is qualified and licensed with Forest Lawn to assist you. Please phone Mirta at 818-220-6486.

Administrative Assistant Needed. A+ Adventist Children's Center is looking for someone to assist the director, Malisa Smith, Monday-Friday from 6:30 a.m.-12:00 noon. Submit resumes to: teachermalisa@yahoo.com or call 818-241-9353.

Church Financial Snapshot

YEAR TO DATE 2014 (FOR 37 WEEKS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 13)

LOCAL FUNDS BUDGETED INCOME \$333,692
ACTUAL LOCAL FUNDS RECEIVED \$350,337
SURPLUS \$ 16,645

Upcoming Sermons & Events

Elder of the Day
September 27
October 4
October 11

Communion

Judson Ravi
Todd Leonard
Todd Leonard
Todd Leonard

Sunset tonight – 6:52 p.m. • Sunset next Friday – 6:42 p.m.