

## Order of Worship

10:50 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

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

**Prelude** "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come" BWV 700 *J. S. Bach*

**Call to Worship** Arlene Chow

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.**

**Hymn of Praise** "O Come, O Come, Immanuel" No. 115

*Lighting of the 2nd Advent Candle during this hymn*

**Prayers of the Congregation** Leif Lind

*(please remain standing for prayer)*

**Prayer Response** (No. 140)

Thou didst leave Thy throne and Thy kingly crown  
When Thou camest to earth for me;

But in Bethlehem's home was there found no room

For Thy holy nativity.

O come to my heart, Lord Jesus,

There is room in my heart for thee.

**Anthem** "Angel's Carol" *John Rutter*  
*Handbell Choir*

**Children's Sermon** Stephanie Azali

*Opportunity for members to greet each other while children make their way up front. A special Lamb's Offering for student assistance fund will be collected right after the story; then dismissal of children to Godly Play.*

**Anthem** "Carol of the Bells" *arr. Kevin McChesney*  
*Handbell Choir*

**Scripture** Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13, NRSV Lillian Buchhammer

**Sermon** "Jesus Is Coming to Town" Arlene Chow

**Healing Service**

**Call for Offering** Arlene Chow

**Offertory** "Abounding Joy" *Dan Edwards*  
*Handbell Choir*

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

**Closing Hymn** "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" No. 130

**Benediction** Arlene Chow

**Musical Response**

**Postlude** "XII. Noël Suisse, Grand Jeu, et Duo" *Louis Claude Daquin*

*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 Café, 10:00 a.m.	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.
Marathon Clinic	Verdugo Park	Sunday at 7:00 a.m.

## Youth Activities

Event	Location	Sequence
Godly Play	Room 2 (Giraffe)	1st & 3rd Sabbath, 11:20 a.m.
Youth Movie Night (grades 9-12)	Youth Room	4th Sabbath, 6:30 p.m.
Youth Church weekend	See Bulletin details	4th Friday & Sabbath
Youth Café	Youth Café	4th Fridays, 7:00 p.m.
Children's Choir	Room 10b	Sabbath at Noon
Young Adult Lunch	Youth Café	Every Sabbath after Church

## Church Directory

### Pastoral Staff

Todd Leonard, *Senior Pastor* (818-244-7241 office) • Arlene Chow, *Youth and 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 Latacanu, *Romanian Pastor* (909-528-2545)

### Church Officers

Head Elder	John Nielsen (818-605-0057)
Head Deacon	Ronald Matusea (818-730-0350)
Head Deaconess	Eleanor Posner (818-281-5822)
Church Board Chair	Rudy Torres (714-318-1975)
Sanctuary Choir Director	Sébastien Vallée (831-420-7584)
Interim Youth Choir Director	Lisa Fenderson
Organist	Kemp Smeal (714-658-4885)
	Assistant: Taylor Ruhl (909-557-5229)
Secretary	Victoria Lucero (818-244-7241 office)
Treasurer	Dean Vendouris (818-244-7241 office)
Church Clerk	Mindi Rüb (mindilus@mac.com)
Children's Ministry Asst./PR Coordinator	Anji Arm (818-632-7374)
Audio Visual	Michael Bandy (702-577-8005)
	Assistant: Charome Kaocharoen (818-749-5423)
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



*"Revealing Christ, affirming all."*

December 6, 2014

## Responsive Reading

### Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13, NRSV

LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

**You forgave the iniquity of your people; you pardoned all their sin.**

Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

**Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.**

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

**Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.**

The LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

**Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.**

### Closing Hymn No. 130: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

1. It came upon the midnight clear, That glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth To touch their harps of gold:  
"Peace on the earth, good will to men, From heaven's all-gracious King;"  
The world in solemn stillness lay, To hear the angels sing.

2. Still through the cloven skies they come, With peaceful wings unfurled,  
And still their heavenly music floats, O'er all the weary world;  
Above its sad and lowly plains, They bend on hovering wing,  
And ever o'er its Babel sounds, The blessed angels sing.

3. And ye, beneath life's crushing load, Whose forms are bending low,  
Who toil along the climbing way, With painful steps and slow —  
Look now! for glad and golden hours, Come swiftly on the wing;  
O rest beside the weary road, And hear the angels sing.

### Find City Church Online

City Church's Online Campus ([www.citychurch-online.org](http://www.citychurch-online.org)) Sunday through Friday at 8:00 p.m. PT & ET; Saturday mornings at 11:00 a.m., PT & ET

**New! Romanian Sabbath school and worship services** are being re-broadcast daily at 1:30 p.m. Sunday-Friday, and 5:00 p.m. on Sabbath (Pacific Time). Check schedule at <http://citychurch-online.org> and find your own time zone!

City Church Online is also broadcasting San Francisco's **Church 1.0 service** Sunday-Friday at 3:30 p.m., and Saturday at 1:30 p.m. Pacific Time. The **L.A. Adventist Forum sessions** will likewise be broadcast every Saturday at 3:00 p.m.

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

**Join our weekly spiritual blog** @[www.glendalecitychurch.org](http://www.glendalecitychurch.org). Currently we are discussing Stuart Tyner's "Searching for the God of Grace."

City Church **Audio Sermons** available on iTunes or Video on YouTube ("Glendale City Seventh-day Adventist Church"). Subscribe and never miss a sermon.

## Healing Service Program

As we experience each new day our hearts become aware that our world and our own lives still need salvation from injustice, loneliness, indignity, war, disease, dysfunction, and so much more. We still need a Savior, and this yearning is given voice each Sabbath as we worship our Creator and re-Creator. Today, City Church will continue providing hope through a healing prayer service. You are invited to participate in this beautiful experience as we seek God's healing — physical, mental, emotional, or relational — for you, your family, or significant others in your life.

**Leader:** Loving God, we hold in your healing presence those who suffer pain and ill-health, with their families, friends and those who care for them...

**ALL:** **May they know the deep peace of Christ.**

**Leader:** Loving God, we hold in your healing presence those who suffer in mind and spirit, and all who care for them...

**ALL:** **May they know the deep peace of Christ.**

**Leader:** Loving God, we hold in your healing presence the suffering people of our world, and the places where people are experiencing division, injustice and violence...

**ALL:** **May they know the deep peace of Christ.**

**Leader:** Loving God, we hold in your healing presence those struggling to overcome addiction or abuse, those supporting and working with them, and all whose suffering has distanced them from those who love them...

**ALL:** **May they know the deep peace of Christ.**

**Leader:** Loving God, we hold in your healing presence those facing bereavement and loss of family and friends...

**ALL:** **May they know the deep peace of Christ.**

**Leader:** Loving God, we give you thanks for health restored and prayers answered... We hold in your healing presence and peace those whose needs are not known to us...

And those whose names we do not know, but who are known to you, and for whom we have been asked to pray. And we name in our hearts those who are close to us...

**ALL:** **May they know the deep peace of Christ.**

**Leader:** God of compassion and love, we offer you all our suffering and pain. Give us strength to bear our weakness, healing even when there is no cure, peace in the midst of turmoil, and love to fill the spaces in our lives. Hear us now, Gentle, Healing God, as we pray together with one voice,

***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.***

***Thy kingdom come.***

***Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.***

***Give us this day our daily bread.***

***And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.***

***And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.***

***For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,***

***For ever, Amen.***

## City Church Announcements

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

**Young adult luncheon** today in the Youth Café after the worship service.

**Friday, December 12:** Young Adult Open Door.

**Memorial service for Dr. Anthony J. Kelly**, will be Sunday, December 14, 12:30 p.m., Breath of Life Adventist Worship Center, 425 S. La Brea Ave., Inglewood 90301. Please continue to keep Sister Kelly and her family in your prayers as they go through this difficult time.

**Adventist female & male student** each looking for housing within about a 15-mile radius in Glendale. If you can house either, please contact the church office.

**Part-time administrative secretarial position** for the West Region director. For applications and information, please visit <http://scc-adventist-org.adventistfaith.org/Employment> or contact SCC Human Resources-818-546-8415; email: [ghuerta@sccsda.org](mailto:ghuerta@sccsda.org).

**Advent Evensong, Saturday, December 6, 5:00 p.m., Ventura Seventh-day Adventist Church.** Vivaldi's *Magnificat* will be featured with guest soloists Patricia Lanthrop-McPherson and Karen Sonnenschein; Bach's Trio Sonata in C; a contemporary choral setting of Rossetti's poem *In the Bleak Midwinter*; Lauridsen's *O Nata Lux*. Free admission.

**Listening Assistance Devices Available.** If you would appreciate additional amplification while attending City Church's worship, you can visit the Media Center or Audio-Visual desk to pick up a listening-assist device. We hope you will be able to join us!

**Church member in need of a full-time caretaker**, female Adventist with self-transportation. Please contact church office for more information.

**Let Us Know When You Want a Visit.** 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: "The Book of James" by Clinton Wahlen, associate director of the Biblical Research Institute. Scornfully called an "Epistle of Straw" by Martin Luther, the Book of James emphasizes the importance of practical works in the Christian life.
- GRACE CENTER (FELLOWSHIP HALL, north end)—Current book: "God's Foreknowledge & Man's Free Will" by Richard Rice, professor at Loma Linda University. Originally titled "The Openness of God" this classic book has created intense interest in evangelical Christian studies as it examines the "openness" of the future as God sees it. Does God see it before it happens or is the future "open" to change? Does he ever change his mind (Gen. 6:6; Ex. 32:14; Jonah 4:2, etc)? If he doesn't, does prayer change events in our lives? Come and be prepared to challenge your thinking!
- 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.

### Church Financial Snapshot

**YEAR TO DATE 2014 (FOR 48 WEEKS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 29)**

**BUDGETED LOCAL FUNDS INCOME \$441,332**

**ACTUAL LOCAL FUNDS RECEIVED \$437,229**

**SHORTFALL \$4,103**

### Upcoming Sermons & Events

**Elder of the Day**

Mary Khayat

**Deacon of the Day**

Harold Fanselau

**December 13**

Todd Leonard

**December 20**

**Christmas, petting zoo**

Todd Leonard

**December 27**

Leif Lind

*Sunset tonight – 4:43 • Sunset next Friday – 4:44 p.m.*