

Order of Worship

10:50 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

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

Prelude "Fugue on the Magnificat" BWV 733 *J. S. Bach*

Call to Worship Todd Leonard

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 "What Child Is This?" No. 141

Lighting of the 3rd Advent Candle during this hymn

Prayers of the Congregation Rudy Torres

(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 "All I Want for Christmas Is Joy" *arr. R. Dilworth*

Worship in Song "Glory, Glory"
"Watching Sheep"
"Angels We Have Heard on High"
A-Plus Children's Adventist School

Scripture Psalm 126 Adrianna Zambre

Anthem "O Come, All Ye Faithful" *arr. R. Elliott*

Sermon "Crying for Laughter" Todd Leonard

Call for Offering Todd Leonard

Offertory "Rose of Bethlehem" *Alexander Lowell*
Sébastien Vallée, *baritone*
(Unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense)

Worship in Song "Pasko Na Naman (It's Christmas Again)" *Tagalog*
A-Plus Children's Adventist School *(see Bulletin translation)*

Benediction Todd Leonard

Blessing "Advent Blessing" *Roger Summers*

Postlude "O Come, All Ye Faithful" *Marcel Dupré*

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)
Secretary	Assistant: Taylor Ruhl (909-557-5229)
Treasurer	Victoria Lucero (818-244-7241 office)
Church Clerk	Dean Vendouris (818-244-7241 office)
Children's Ministry Asst./PR Coordinator	Mindi Rüb (mindilus@mac.com)
Audio Visual	Anji Arm (818-632-7374)
	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 13, 2014

Responsive Reading

Psalm 126

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dreamed.

**Our mouths were filled with laughter,
our tongues with songs of joy.**

Then it was said among the nations,
“The LORD has done great things for them.”

**The LORD has done great things for us,
and we are filled with joy.**

Restore our fortunes, LORD,
like streams in the Negev.

**Those who sow with tears
will reap with songs of joy.**

Those who go out weeping,
carrying seed to sow,

**will return with songs of joy,
carrying sheaves with them.**

Opening Hymn No. 141: “What Child Is This?”

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary’s lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?

Refrain:

This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the son of Mary.

2. Why lies He in such mean estate, where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here the silent Word is pleading.

3. So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh. Come, peasant, king, to own Him.
The King of kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone Him.

Find City Church Online

City Church’s Online Campus (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. 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.

“Pasko Na Naman (It’s Christmas Again)”

TAGALOG LANGUAGE TEXT:

Pasko No Naman
O Kay tulin ng araw
Paskong nagdaan,
Tila ba kung kailan lang
Ngayon ay Pasko,
Dapat pasalamatan
Ngayon ay Pasko
Tayo ay mag-awitan

Pasko! Pasko!
Pasko na namang muli!
Tanging araw na ating
pinakamimithi,
Pasko! Pasko!
Pasko na namang muli!
Ang pag-ibig
naghahari.

ENGLISH TRANSLATION:

It’s Christmas again
O time surely flies
It has been a while since
Christmas passed by.
Now it’s Christmas
We should give thanks
Now it’s Christmas
Let’s sing Christmas songs.

Christmas! Christmas!
It’s Christmas again!
The very day
We were waiting for
Christmas! Christmas!
It’s Christmas again!
Let love
Reign this Christmas.

FREE PETTING ZOO!

Saturday, Dec. 20th - 9:30 am



Join us for Hot Cocoa & Pastries!

Enjoy animals
like the ones that
welcomed baby Jesus



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.

City Church Announcements

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

A warm welcome to our A-Plus Children’s Choir, who will be participating in our service today!

Toy Drive. Bring a wrapped gift for a boy or a girl (please indicate). Also indicate grade (3rd, 4th, and 5th grades), and drop it off at the media booth on Sabbath. We need at least 25 toys. If you cannot on Sabbath, call the church office to make arrangements! Thank you for your generosity.

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

The **Youth Christmas Party** will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, December 19 in the Youth Café!

Please note that there will be **no potluck** this month.

Memorial service for Dr. Anthony J. Kelly, will be tomorrow, 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.

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 is in urgent need of a full-time day caretaker; female Adventist with self-transportation. Please contact church office for more information.

AB 60 Driver’s License Orientation, December 13, 10 a.m.-12 noon. For people without documentation of US residency, an orientation session on how to obtain a California driver’s license under the new State law will be hosted at Incarnation Church Community Center, 214 W Fairview Ave, Glendale, 91202. Contact Jeni Matela for more info: 818-720-1124, jenny.matela@yahoo.com.

Glendale Communitas Initiative Looking for Mentors. Help bring love, encouragement, and stability to low-income families in Glendale by serving as a mentor to an adolescent or adult 1-2 hours a week in January 2015. Contact Jason Schlatter, executive director, to learn more about the Communitas mentorship program: communitasjs@gmail.com, (818) 477-0792.

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
Deacon of the Day
December 20
December 27

Christmas, petting zoo
Lessons & Carols

Judson Ravi
Ronald Matusea
Todd Leonard
Leif Lind

Sunset tonight – 4:44 • Sunset next Friday – 4:47 p.m.