

Order of Worship

10:50 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

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

Prelude	“Prelude in G Major, BWV541”	<i>J. S. Bach</i>
Call to Worship		Rudy Torres
	For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. “Come, let us worship the Lord”	—Psalm 103:11
Hymn of Praise	“To God Be the Glory”	No. 341
Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation		Don Greathouse
	(Please remain standing for prayer)	
Prayer Response		(No. 672)
	Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me! Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me! Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me! Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me!	
Anthem	“All Creatures of Our God and King”	<i>arr. M. Wilberg</i>
Call to Offering		Colette Witt
	(Unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense)	
Offertory	“Now Thank We All Our God”	<i>arr. Richard Walters</i> Christina Milton, <i>soprano</i>
Children’s Sermon		Cherise Gardner
Anthem	“Joyful, Joyful, Sing Praise”	<i>Jay Althouse</i>
Scripture	Jonah 3:1-10; Matthew 26:69-75	Mary Khayat
Sermon	“The God of Second Chances”	Rudy Torres
Closing Hymn	“Day by Day”	No. 532
Benediction		Rudy Torres
Musical Response	“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”	<i>J. Rutter</i>
Postlude	“Fugue in G Major, BWV541”	<i>J. S. Bach</i>

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
Beginners	0-3 yrs	Room 3	Elephant
Kinder/Primary/ & Junior	4 yrs to 6th grade	Room 1	Lion
Earliteen	7th & 8th grade	Room 4	Giraffe
Teen	14-17 yrs	Youth Room	Chapel Basement
Armenian	General	Room 11	
Romanian	General	Room 13	
Pastor	General	Fellowship Hall	Leif Lind
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	Michael Bandy

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	GAMC Gymnasium	Tuesday at 6:45 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

Rudy Torres, Interim Senior Pastor (818-244-7241)
Cherise Gardner, Family & Children’s Ministries (626-484-8436)
Leif Lind, Church Administrator (909-557-5230)

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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)
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Church Clerk	Mindi Rüb (mindilus@mac.com)
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.”

September 8, 2012

Responsive Reading

Jonah 3:1-10; Matthew 26:69-75

Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time:
“Go to the great city of Nineveh
and proclaim to it the message I give you.”

Jonah obeyed the word of the Lord and went to Nineveh.
Now Nineveh was a very important city—a visit required three days.
On the first day, Jonah started into the city. He proclaimed:

**“Forty more days and Nineveh will be overturned.”
The Ninevites believed God.
They declared a fast, and all of them,
from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth.**

When the news reached the king of Nineveh,
he rose from his throne, took off his royal robes,
covered himself with sackcloth and sat down in the dust.
Then he issued a proclamation in Nineveh:

“By the decree of the king and his nobles:

**Do not let any man or beast, herd or flock, taste anything;
do not let them eat or drink.**

But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth.

Let everyone call urgently on God.

Let them give up their evil ways and their violence.

**Who knows? God may yet relent and with compassion
turn from his fierce anger so that we will not perish.”**

When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil
ways, he had compassion and did not bring upon them
the destruction he had threatened.



Now Peter was sitting out in the courtyard,
and a servant girl came to him.

“You also were with Jesus of Galilee,” she said.

But he denied it before them all.

“I don’t know what you’re talking about,” he said.

Then he went out to the gateway, where another girl saw him
and said to the people there,

“This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth.”

He denied it again, with an oath: “I don’t know the man!”

After a little while, those standing there went up to Peter and said,
“Surely you are one of them, for your accent gives you away.”

**Then he began to call down curses on himself
and he swore to them, “I don’t know the man!”**

Immediately a rooster crowed.

Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken:
“Before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times.”
And he went outside and wept bitterly.

Anthem: “Joyful, Joyful Sing Praise”

Joyful, joyful, sing praise.
Lord, we raise our voice in gladness.
We know your love, from heaven above
We know your blessings are glorious.
In ev’ry heart, how great thou art.
For evermore victorious.

Joyful, joyful, sing praise.
Lord, your gifts are never ending.
Beneath the skies, creation lies
in all its splendor and glory.
You make us whole; you fill our soul.
We sing your wondrous story.

Great is the Lord who reigns above all nations,
loving and caring and wise.
Great is the Lord, majestic and triumphant.
Let us now magnify, honor and glorify: our voices rise.

Joyful, joyful, sing praise.
Lord, we raise our voice in gladness.
We know your love, from heaven above
We know your blessings are glorious.

Joyful, joyful, sing praise.
Lord, your gifts are never ending.
Beneath the skies, creation lies
in all its splendor and glory.
You make us whole; you fill our soul.
We sing your wondrous story, the glory of God.

Joyful, joyful, sing praise.
Sing to the Lord a joyful song of praise!

Church Financial Snapshot

YEAR TO DATE 2012 (FOR 34 WEEKS, THROUGH AUGUST 25)

BUDGETED LOCAL FUNDS INCOME \$276,846

ACTUAL LOCAL FUNDS RECEIVED \$261,729

SHORTFALL \$15,117

Upcoming Sermons & Events

Elder of the Day

September 15

September 22

September 29

October 6

October 13

Jeevan Johnson

Rudy Torres

Leif Lind

Rudy Torres

Communion

Welcome to Pastor Todd Leonard and family

Sunset tonight – 7:11 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 7:02 p.m.

City Church Announcements

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

To Church Family, The Greathouse-Taylor families greatly appreciate and thank you for your love and caring as they mourn the loss of their family member, Mary A. Greathouse-Taylor.

There will be a memorial service for member **Henry Pearl** on October 20, at 2 p.m., in the Chape

A warm welcome back to our **Sanctuary Choir** and **Director**, after their summer break. We look forward to your music!

Reminder to Music Committee members: please meet in the Council Room after the worship service *today*.

Hugh Gardner is our new Pathfinder Director! Parents and children, join us for a short meeting *today* after worship service in the Sanctuary to discuss new direction and meeting days for Pathfinders.

Second Saturday Series today: Organ Concert at 4 p.m. featuring works performed by organist Ty Woodward.

We’re looking for church volunteers! With a new church year approaching and a new senior pastor, we are seeking to make sure all church departments run at their optimum! If you have questions or would like to volunteer for a church position, please fill out a pew card or see one of our pastoral staff. We want to engage as many members as possible — we believe God has exciting things in store for this church!

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

After a marvelous **Lit Knitters** brunch celebrating *Julie & Julia* and Julia Child’s anniversary at a Camarillo restaurant, the group is back in the Youth Room, Sabbath, September 15 at 7:30 p.m. to discuss its latest books. Please friend Lit Knitters on Facebook for the latest information. Also join in as we discuss our community service activity for the holiday season.

Free Health Fair, September 15, featuring health screenings, medical consultations, vegan food-tasting, health tips and more. Looking for health professionals and volunteers to participate in screenings. Valley Crossroads Church, Linda Tigner-Weeks, 805-358-8023 or Sali Butler, 805-415-7388.

Van Rooyen Photo Album. Photos are being collected of the van Rooyens’ time at City Church, including their last Sabbath, in order to create an album. Please mail or email photos directly to the office <secretary@glendalecitysda.org> or Graciela Seco <graciesp@sbcglobal.net>. Thank you!

Attention all Children’s Sabbath Schools!

Kindergarten–Youth New Sabbath School Format! Beginning Sabbath, September 15, the K–Youth classes will meet for light breakfast, song service and Mission Spotlight at 9:30 a.m. before separating into classes by age at 10 a.m. Please bring your children early so they don’t miss out on this new interactive Sabbath School format!

Sabbath School Room Changes. Juniors and the Kindergarten/Primary classes will meet together in the Junior room beginning September 15th. Earliteens will meet in the primary room and Youth in the regular room.

A Sabbath School Teacher Thank you! Thanks to **Blanca Barnes** for her years of innovative, dedicated weekly service to the Junior Sabbath School! You made the classroom a nurturing environment that fostered spiritual growth in our youth!