



GLENDALE CITY CHURCH

of Seventh-day Adventists



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WELCOME

We're Glad You're Here



TODAY AT GLENDALE CITY CHURCH

- 9:00AM (*Fellowship Hall*) - Come & enjoy a light breakfast with us at our Courtyard Café!
- 9:30AM (*Fellowship Hall*) - Grace Bible Study class with Rebecca Barceló both in-person and on Zoom.*
(*Meeting ID 818-244-7242).
- 9:30AM (*Council Room*) - The Living Project support group meets weekly: "Telling My Story, Listening to Your Story. Living Our Story."
- 11:00AM (*Sanctuary*) - Worship with speaker Debbie Wood-Martinson. The service can be viewed online at: youtube.com/glendalecitychurch.
- 12:30PM (*Downstairs Multipurpose Room*) - Open Table Worship is an informal gathering of seekers. All are welcome as we share food, story-telling, and interpersonal connections.

CITY KIDS PROGRAMMING: (12pm Pickup)

- 11:00AM (*Classroom 2*) - City Kids Children's Praise with music!
- 11:15AM (*Classroom 2*) - Tiny Tots (0-4 y.o.) Attend with guardian.
- 11:15AM (*Classroom 1*) - Children's Sabbath School (5-12 y.o.)

PREPARING

Speaking in the silence,
waiting in the midst of contemplation,
listening on the other line of prayer
awaits the answer
to the relentless yearning of the human heart.

Do not come seeking secret knowledge.

Do not expect divine visions,
to become enlightened,
or to transcend physical reality.

But come to the silence
simply to listen,
desiring and longing for
intimacy with the Divine,
experiencing God's love and mercy directly,
which we, in turn, share with the world.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Jesus Loves Me
(with Clair de Lune)
arr. Fred Bock

Kemp Smeal, *piano*

Call to Worship

Rebecca Barceló

We come before You, O God, wrestling to understand Your ways—
Your wisdom that confounds us, Your timing that tests our patience.

**In the struggle, You reveal Yourself:
faithful when we are uncertain, near when we feel alone.**

We wrestle with Your justice and Your mercy,
Your strength and Your tenderness intertwined.

**Teach us to trust not only what You do,
but who You are—steadfast, righteous, and good.**

So we bring our questions, our fears, our half-formed faith,
believing You will meet us in the seeking.

**We will worship You, O God who does not turn away,
but draws us close until we learn to trust Your heart.**

Hymn of Praise

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

No. 12

Greetings & Prayer of the Congregation

Elizabeth Johnston Taylor

Offering Call

Jerry Wahagheghe

Offertory

How Great Thou Art
arr. Lloyd Larson

Christina Bristow
Soprano

WORSHIP SERVICE

Scripture Reading

Genesis 32:22-31

Caitlin Herinirina

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' Then the man^[a] said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

Sermon

A Holy/Wholly Struggle

Uriel Herinirina

Worship in Song

Give Me Jesus
arr. Moses Hogan

Christina Bristow
Soprano

Hymn of Response

My Faith Looks Up To Thee

No. 517

Benediction

Uriel Herinirina

Postlude

Suite on the 1st Tone - Grand Jeu
Pierre Dumage

Kemp Smeal



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Day of Remembrance – Sabbath, November 1

On Sabbath, November 1, Glendale City Church will gather for our annual Day of Remembrance—a time to pause, reflect, and honor those who are no longer with us. During the service, we'll light candles and share the names of loved ones from our community who have passed throughout the year. We'll take time to grieve, to remember, and to find comfort in God's promise of life and hope. If you would like to include the name of a family member or friend, please share it with the church office by October 27 so that we may remember them with you.

Traffic Advisory for Today

Please be advised that traffic may be heavier than usual following today's service. A "No Kings" protest is scheduled near City Hall (Isabel & Broadway) at noon, and the Glendale Police Department is holding an Open House on Isabel Street from 9 AM to 2 PM. We encourage everyone to plan your route accordingly and exercise extra care when leaving the church area.

Glendale City Church sends condolences to the family of Catherine Lang Titus who passed away on October 3, 2025, surrounded by family after a brief illness.

Catherine served faithfully as organist and choir director at the Eagle Rock SDA Church during the 1970s–1990s and later held membership at Vallejo Drive, Costa Mesa, and Loma Linda University churches. A dedicated family law attorney in Glendale for over 20 years, she had a deep passion for classical and sacred music. She is survived by her children Steve, Greg, and Cari; six grandchildren; and her sister, Bonne. A funeral service will be held at Forest Lawn Glendale on November 1, 2025, at 1:30 PM, with a reception to follow at the Glendale City Church Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.





Walk with us for the Crop Hunger Walk! (October 26):

GCC is creating a walking team that will take steps to raise funds together in order to provide meals for those in our own community who need them - and support programs that create greater food security in communities all around the world. (Not to mention we'll all grab ice cream after we're done!) If you'd like to join us, please provide your name and your T-shirt size by scanning the adjacent QR Code here:



**ENDING
HUNGER
ONE STEP
AT A TIME
CROP HUNGER WALK**

GLENDALE ADVENTIST ACADEMY
MUSIC DEPARTMENT

PRESENTS

LIGHT ETERNAL

A CONCERT OF SACRED SONGS
BY GAA SYMPHONIC BAND
HS CHOIR, CHORALE,
AND JAZZ BAND

FREE ADMISSION
RESERVE SEATING \$20

FRIDAY OCT. 24, 2025 | 6:00 PM
700 KIMLIN DR. GLENDALE, CA 91206



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BEFORE
OCTOBER 30
2025**

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**GROW YOUR
GOD-GIVEN
TALENTS**

**OPEN TO ALL
ADVENTIST YOUTH
GRADES NINE TO TWELVE**

SAVE THE DATE

Make sure to mark your calendar for these upcoming events at Glendale City Church! We hope you'll join us!

- **November 1** (Saturday): Day of Remembrance*
- **November 22** (Saturday): "Friendsgiving" Potluck with CODA
- **November 23** (Sunday): Interfaith Thanksgiving Gathering
- **December 5** (Friday): Annual Christmas Concert
- **December 20** (Saturday): "Friendsmas" Potluck with CODA
- **January 30 & 31, 2026** (Friday & Saturday):
GCC 120th Anniversary Celebration
- **March 14, 2026** (Saturday): Next City Church Lecture Series:
Featuring Guest Speaker - Sam Leonor



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US!

Thank you for supporting Glendale City Church. Your generosity helps keep our church open, welcoming, and thriving.

Maintaining a facility like ours is costly, so we're inviting you to partner with us by choosing a monthly giving level to help cover the maintenance of this beautiful church.

- **Gold Level:** (\$500+/per month): Supports major maintenance and repairs, janitorial service, and water or power bills.
- **Silver Level:** (\$250-\$499/per month): Covers gas bill, trash services, and technology needs such as our GCC website costs.
- **Bronze Level:** (\$25-\$249/per month): Helps with property taxes, phone service, copier lease, office supplies, internet and gardening costs.

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Thank you for helping us keep our church vibrant,
welcoming, and running strong!

STAY CONNECTED

PREACHING SCHEDULE

October 25:
Rebecca Barceló

November 1:
Uriel Herinirina



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