

FINDING GOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF OUR LIVES

April 20, 2024

On Campus Today at Glendale City Church, April 20:

- 9:00 a.m.: Courtyard Café. Enjoy simple breakfast foods & beverages in our Fellowship Hall lobby.
- 9:30 a.m.: **Grace Sabbath School class** with Pastor Leif, both live in the Fellowship Hall and on Zoom, meeting ID 818-244-7241. Join in our lively, two-book study: "Your God Is Too Small" (J. B. Phillips) and *Adventist Today's* book "Dear Aunt Sevvy"
- 9:30 a.m.: **The Living Project Support Group** meets weekly in the Council Room. "Telling my story. Listening to your story. Living our story."
- •11:00 a.m.: **Sanctuary worship service** with Leif Lind; also available online, https:// YouTube.com/c/GlendaleCityChurch. **Next Sabbath, April 27:** Sabbath worship service, church potluck, and afternoon seminar with Shasta Nelson.
- •11:00 a.m.: City Kids Children's Praise with Music, Room 2.
- •11:15 a.m.: **Tiny Tots** (0-3 years old, together with a guardian) go to Classroom 2; **Godly Play** (4-12 years) go to Classroom 1. Noon pickup.

OPEN TABLE WORSHIP:

•12:15 p.m.: Informal worship gathering downstairs in the multipurpose room. All are welcome as we share with music, story-telling, and interpersonal connections!

THIS WEEK AT GLENDALE CITY CHURCH:

• 7:00 p.m. **Social Jesus Heartgroup** by Herb Montgomery, each Wednesday at https://Zoom.us/j/8182447241, discussing Jesus' call to bringing justice and equality to all. Study guide or podcast: https://RenewedHeartMinistries.com.

SATURDAY WORSHIP — 11:00 A.M. (PLEASE SILENCE YOUR ELECTRONIC DEVICES)

We welcome you as you worship with us online today. Please feel free to contact any of our pastoral staff if you have a question, want a visit, or need help:

- https://glendalecitychurch.org
- https://facebook.com/glendalecitychurch

• phone 818-244-7241

Prelude "It Is Well With My Soul" arr. Kemp L. Smeal

Kemp Smeal, piano

Call to Worship Leif Lind

The hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth.

God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.

Hymn of Praise "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" No. 21

Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation

John Nielsen

(Please remain standing for prayer)

Choral Anthem "Call Forth With Song" Mary McDonald

Clarissa Shan, Choral Director

Scripture Hebrews 11:1-2, 7-8, 13, 39-40 Tom Chatt

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for.

By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith.

By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going.

All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance.

These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect.

Choral Anthem

"We Walk By Faith And Not By Sight" Clarissa Shan, Choral Director

Jan Sanborn

We walk by faith and not by sight. We trust in God and not in might. For in our darkness, he is light. We walk by faith and not by sight....

We may not fully understand, but we are guided by his hand. And as we follow faith's command, God leads us to the promised land.

Sermon "Embracing the Unknown — Discerning God in Our Lives"

Leif Lind

Offertory

"You Are On Our Side" Rebecca Bishop, *quitar* **Bethany Dillon**

(Deacons will collect the offering as we meditate on the message in music. Please give as you're able — unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense.)

Closing Hymn

"I Cannot Tell Why"

No. 255

- (1) I cannot tell why he whom angels worship should set his love upon the souls of men, Or why as Shepherd he should seek the wanderers, to bring them back, they know not how nor when. But this I know that he was born of Mary when Bethlehem's manger was his only home, And that he lived at Nazareth and labored; and so the Savior, Savior of the world, has come.
- (2) I cannot tell how silently he suffered as with his peace he graced this place of tears, Nor how his heart upon the cross was broken, the crown of pain to three and thirty years. But this I know he heals the broken hearted and stays our sin and calms our lurking fear, And lifts the burden from the heavy laden; for still the Savior, Savior of the world, is here.
- (3) I cannot tell how he will win the nations, how he will claim his earthly heritage, How satisfy the needs and aspirations of east and west, or sinner and of sage. But this I know all flesh shall see his glory, and he shall reap the harvest he has sown, And some glad day his sun will shine in splendor when he the Savior, Savior of the world, is known.
- (4) I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship, when at his bidding every storm is stilled, Or who can say how great the jubilation when all our hearts with love for him are filled. But this I know the skies shall sound his praises, ten thousand thousand human voices sing, And earth to heaven, and heaven to earth will answer, at last the Savior, Savior of the world, is King!

Benediction Leif Lind

Choral Benediction

"On Eagle's Wings"

Postlude

"The Solid Rock" Kemp Smeal, *organ* arr. Kemp L. Smeal



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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Preaching schedule and announcements:

• Apr 13 Leif Lind

• Apr 20 Shasta Nelson, potluck, seminar



NEXT WEEK, APRIL 27, SAVE THE DATE! After the morning sermon and a church potluck, in-demand keynote speaker **Shasta Nelson** will be leading an **afternoon seminar** in the Chapel entitled "**Frientimacy** — **The 3 Requirements for All Healthy Relationships**". Be sure to mark your calendars for this interesting and important presentation!

Please reach out to us. Feel free to reach out to us if you have a prayer concern, an illness, or a life event for us to be aware of. We are here to help whenever we can. Pastor Leif Lind (909-557-5230) or Beth Johnston Taylor, head elder (909-747-8836), Glendale City Church office (818-244-7241).

Invitation to **Joseph Chilopoulos's Junior Classical Recital** *today***, April 20**, at 4:30 p.m., located at Bob Cole Conservatory of Music, Room C-100. Park at the Carpenter Performing Arts Center 6200 East Atherton Street, Long Beach, 90840. (Ph: 818-429-5828 Julaine Chilopoulos for any questions.)

Home Again L.A. (HALA) **We need volunteers** to chaperone and to cook at the First Presbyterian Church of Burbank for **OUR week of May 12-18**. To sign up as a volunteer, please visit https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B49AEAA29A7FAC52-48307489-shelter or email Anji at 610ecalifornia@gmail.com.

The Glendale City Church chapter of the **Prayers and Squares quilting ministry** is here to help involve as many people as possible in offering prayer for them. If you think someone could benefit from prayer through a quilt, email us at glendalepsm@gmail.com for more information.

Help us update our email list! Send an email with your name to <u>610ecalifornia@gmail.com</u> to receive updates on upcoming events here at City Church!