



November 29, 2025

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 Uriel Herinirina both in-person and on Zoom.* (*Meeting ID 818-244-7241*).
- 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 Rebecca Barceló. The service can be viewed online at: *youtube.com/glendalecitychurch*.
- 12:30 PM (*Downstairs* Open Table Worship is an informal gathering *Multipurpose Room*) 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

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...there are other dreams to carry through the world.

Other stances.

We might wait patiently.

We might be thinking, we might be still, we might be daydreaming.

We can wait with flowers, that are so beautiful they make us cry.

We can wait actively. We can open doors, windows, our heart.

We can wait, creating an inner stillness, that is so calming,

it ripples out from us and is felt by all around.

While we wait...

...we can fill up on wonder, on beauty, on now.

We can wait without hoping something fantastic will happen to us, because

in our waiting, we know how fantastic it is to merely be exactly ourselves.

That grace. That grace.

-Shawna Lemay, Transactions with Beauty

WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Fugue on the Magnificat, BWV 733 Johann Sebastian Bach

Kemp Smeal

Call to Worship

Rebecca Barceló

Beloved, once again, we embark on the Advent path that points us to the coming of Jesus.

We journey together toward the day that all the earth awaits.

We remember the signs and the times that heralded the arrival of the baby Jesus, God Incarnate.

We journey together toward the day that all the earth awaits.

We tell the stories once again as we learn how to discern the signs and the times, watching for glimpses of God's here-and-not-yet kingdom among us.

We journey together toward the day that all the earth awaits.

Come, let us worship God who shines a light to guide us on the path to peace and flourishing for all creation.

Come, let us worship as we journey together toward the day that all the earth awaits. Amen.

{Lighting of the Advent Candle}

Hymn of Praise

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

No. 204

Greeting and Prayers of the People

Uriel Herinirina

Anthem

There Shall A Star by Felix Mendelssohn GCC Choir

Scripture Reading

Habakkuk 2:1-3

Margery Rich

I will stand at my watchpost and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Psalm 27:13-14

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

Isaiah 64:4

From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him.

2 Peter 3:11, 12

What sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and earnestly desiring the coming of the day of God?

Anthem	Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming by Michael Praetorius	GCC Choir
Sermon	The Holy Work of Waiting	Rebecca Barceló
Offertory	And Can It Be? Dan Forrest	Zineb Fikri
Hymn of Response	O Come, O Come, Immanuel	No. 115
Benediction		Rebecca Barceló
Choral Benediction		GCC Choir
Postlude	Toccata on Veni Emmanuel Adolphus Hailstork	Kemp Smeal



GLENDALE CITY CHURCH PRESENTS

The Light Has Come

A joyous evening of *Vivaldi's Gloria* by the Glendale City Church Choir and the University of La Verne Chamber Singers

> Dr. Clarissa Shan, Conductor Kemp Smeal, Organist



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Glendale City Church is **gathering old stories and photos** to use for our upcoming 120th Anniversary Weekend coming up January 30, 31. If you have any cherished snapshots or images from your time at GCC, and would be willing to share them with us, please send them to: office@glendalecitychurch.org.



"Friendsmas" Potluck with CODA - We're excited to partner with CODA's community for a festive meal on December 20 at 12:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. This gathering is a wonderful opportunity to share good food, build connections, and celebrate the season together. Bring a favorite dish to share if you're able, or simply come and enjoy the fellowship.

A member of our community who survived the January fires is seeking a temporary rental space while her home is being rebuilt. If you or someone you know has a room, apartment, or small home available for rent, please contact Anji at the church office at 818-244-7241 or email office@glendalecitychurch.org. Your support during this difficult time is greatly appreciated.



Our heartfelt condolences go out to Steve Ungson and Jennifer Garcia and family on the passing of their mother, Jemimah Ungson, on November 14, at the age of 90. She was a loving and deeply nurturing wife, mother, and grandmother. A memorial service will be held in her honor on Friday, December 12 at 10:00 am in the sanctuary of Glendale City Church, followed by a Graveside Service at Glendale Forest Lawn. The reception will be at Glendale City Church at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

STAY CONNECTED

PREACHING SCHEDULE

December 6: Elizabeth Johnston Taylor

December 13 Uriel Herinirina





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