



October 11, 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."
- 10:30AM 11:00AM (Fellowship Hall)
- Footwashing for Communion will be held in the Fellowship Hall after Bible Study.
- 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

For the quietness within with which I hear You speak, not audibly so much as inner knowing, a silent word reassuring me of Your presence, guiding, comforting, quieting my soul to hear, to heed, to follow Your leading in my life unending inhalation of Your inaudible breath.

Prelude

Lord Jesus Here We Are

Kemp Smeal

Johann Sebastian Bach

Call to Worship Uriel Herinirina

Lord our God, You yourself remind us through Your holy people that all our religious practices, even the act of Communion, is not worth anything if we use it to bend You our way.

We come before You, O God, not to shape You to our will, but to be shaped by Your love.

God, may we come to You in humility and repentance, ready to encounter You in love and to turn toward You.

Create in us clean hearts, O Lord, and renew a right spirit within us.

Accept us as Your sons and daughters, together with Jesus Christ, Your Son and our Lord forever.

Receive us in Your mercy and grace. Unite us with Christ, our Savior and Redeemer. To You be glory and praise forever. Amen.

Hymn of Praise

When Morning Gilds the Skies

No. 43

Greetings & Prayer of the Congregation

Jonny Moor

Anthem

Let Me Hide Myself in Thee Arr. Craig Courtney

GCC Choir

Scripture Reading

Matthew 20:1-16

Taoshin Yawn

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard. About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. He told them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, 'Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?' "'Because no one has hired us,' they answered. "He said to them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard.' "When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.'

(Scripture continued)

"The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. 'These who were hired last worked only one hour,' they said, 'and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.'

"But he answered one of them, 'I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn't you agree to work for a denarius? Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Anthem Just As I Am, Lord GCC Choir

by Don Besig

Sermon In the Vineyard Debbie Wood-Martinson

Offertory I Feel the Spirit Moving Sal Malaki arr. Mark Hayes Tenor

Communion Service Pastoral Team

Seventh-day Adventists practice open Communion, so all members and guests are invited to participate. (Additionally, please let deacons know if you need a gluten-free wafer.)

The Lord's Prayer Rebecca Barceló

And now, with the confidence of the children of God, let us pray:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Breaking the Bread and Offering the Cup

Uriel Herinirina

We remember Jesus who took the bread in his hands, broke it, gave it to his friends, and said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Take, eat, this is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Rebecca Barceló

We remember Jesus who took the cup, gave thanks, and said: "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me." Whoever eats this bread and drinks this cup, abides in Christ and Christ in them.

Congregational Response

God of the past and the present, with this bread and wine we remember your Son. We thank you for his life, his death, and resurrection. We look for his coming in glory and in him we give ourselves to you.

Prayer Uriel Herinirina

God of love, send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that as we receive this bread and wine we shall by faith receive the body and blood of Christ. Called to follow him, help us to reconcile and unite. Called to serve, give us hope in our calling.

Receiving the Bread and the Cup

(The deacons will now come forward to serve the bread and cup.)

Rebecca Barceló

The bread we will break and the cup we will take is a sharing in the body of Christ.

Congregational Response

Our illusions of insufficiency fade, for we who share this bread are bound to Christ's body.

Partaking of the Bread and the Cup

Uriel Herinirina

Here are bread and wine—the gifts of God for the people of God. Now, in remembrance, take, eat, and drink.

Congregational Response

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; We who drink his cup bring life to others. We whom the spirit enlightened give light to the world. Amen.

Hymn of Response

Now Let Us From This Table Rise

No. 404

Benediction

Debbie Wood-Martinson

Choral Benediction

GCC Choir

Postlude

Sinfonia Johann Sebastian Bach Kemp Smeal



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Noon Concert (October 15):

Join us for an inspiring afternoon of chamber music with the Camilli Trio, featuring Ken Aiso (violin), Jerome Kessler (cello), and Valeria Morgovskaya (piano). These internationally acclaimed artists bring together decades of performance and teaching excellence—from stages across Europe, Asia, and the Americas to their current roles in Southern California's vibrant musical community.

Day of Remembrance (November 1): During our annual Day of Remembrance service, we will light candles and list the names of loved ones from our community who have passed away in this last year, honoring their memory together. If you would like us to include the name of a family member or friend, please submit their name to the church office by October 27 at: office@glendalecitychurch.org. This is a sacred time for us to grieve, remember, and celebrate the lives of those who have gone before us.

Glendale City Church is deeply saddened to share the passing of our beloved member, Anosh Keshishzade, on September 28, 2025. Anosh dedicated her time and energy to nurturing the children in our community through the A+ School that

was formerly on our campus. She was a steadfast pillar of support to GCC, giving generously through both her resources and her acts of service. A Celebration of Life service will be held on Friday, October 17, at 12:30 PM at Church of the Hills, Forest Lawn–Hollywood Hills. In keeping with her wishes, memorial gifts may be directed to FocusOnChildrenNow.org in lieu of flowers. We extend our heartfelt prayers to her family and loved ones as we grieve her loss and give thanks for the legacy she left behind at GCC.





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. If you'd like to join us, please provide your name and your T-shirt size by scanning the adjacent QR Code here:





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



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

STAY CONNECTED

PREACHING SCHEDULE

October 18: Uriel Herinirina October 25: Rebecca Barceló





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