



GLENDALE CITY CHURCH
of Seventh-day Adventists



October 25, 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 Rebecca Barceló 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.
- 12:30PM (*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

Then One with tenderest touch
came to view the devastation

His eyes swept silently
Tears fell as he cupped each
broken place with gentle Love
and soft reverence

already seeing
in his mind a new foundation

WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Suite Gothique-Prière à Notre-Dame
by Léon Boëllmann

Kemp Smeal

Call to Worship

Uriel Herinirina

We come with hearts that have known collapse—walls once strong now weathered by time and sorrow. **Yet the Holy One has come—not to condemn the ruins, but to rebuild with love.**

He does not turn away from what has fallen, but kneels beside it, seeing what can be made new. **His mercy traces the outline of restoration, and hope begins to rise where despair had settled.**

Let us bring our unfinished hearts, our fragile faith, to the One who rebuilds with love. **For Christ is our foundation—and in His presence, all things begin again. Amen.**

Hymn of Praise

He Leadeth Me

No. 537

Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation

Doug Schultz

Anthem

No More Night
arr. Camp Kirkland

GCC Choir

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Uriel Herinirina

Patient and faithful God, You are our Shepherd, and yet we want. We lie down when we could act, and act when we should wait for you. **Trusting our strength more than Your Spirit. In our schemes more than your wisdom.**

In our striving, we grasp for control, and forget that You alone are sovereign. **Forgive us for the ways we wander tempting paths instead of following you.**

In our haste, we fail to see the humanity of others—our goals colliding, our words wounding. **Forgive us for the harm we cause when we do not love as You love. Forgive us for seeing scarcity when you offer abundance.**

Hear the good news: The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and rich in steadfast love. **In Christ, we are forgiven, restored, and renewed.**

God grants us patience to trust, and grace to walk gently with one another. **Thanks be to God.**

WORSHIP SERVICE

Anthem

His Eye Is on the Sparrow
by Christopher Bennett

GCC Choir

Scripture Reading

Joel 2:23-27

Clarissa Shan

O children of Zion, be glad, and rejoice in the Lord your God, for he has given the early rain for your vindication; he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain; the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army that I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Poet's Corner

Lyndon Johnston Taylor

Sermon

The God Who Restores

Rebecca Barceló

Offertory

Take My Hand Precious Lord
by Thomas A. Dorsey

Clarissa Shan
Soprano

Hymn of Response

O Let Me Walk With Thee

No. 554

Benediction

Rebecca Barceló

Postlude

Suite Gothique - Toccata
Léon Boëllmann

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 and remember those who are no longer with us. During the service, we'll name close friends and family of our community who we've lost in the past year, taking time to dwell in God's promise of life and hope. If you would like a loved one publicly remembered and included in the remembrance service, please contact the church office by October 27th at: office@glendalecitychurch.org.

EV Charging Now Available

For those attending church with electric vehicles, the new Tesla chargers in the underground parking area near Ralphs are now live. These chargers use the Tesla port, which some other car makers are beginning to adopt. For other EVs, adapters can be used to connect. This added convenience may be especially helpful for anyone feeling a bit of range anxiety!

Glendale City Church Would Like To Hear From You!

As we prepare for 2026, we'd love your input on how our church can grow and serve our community more faithfully in the coming year. Please scan the QR code to take our short 4-minute survey and feel free to share it with friends in our community. Thank you for your feedback!



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Thanksgiving Grab-and-Go on Saturday, November 8:

The Brotherhood Crusade, in partnership with the Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation, AHF (AIDS Healthcare Foundation), Kathryn Kurka Children's Health Fund, and McDonald's Owner Operators, is hosting a Thanksgiving Grab-and-Go event on Saturday, November 8, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Loma Alta Park (3330 N. Lincoln Ave., Altadena, CA 91001). Drive through to receive a basket containing a whole turkey with all the trimmings—vegetables, cornbread dressing, cake mix, frosting, fresh fruit, eggs, milk, and more. Gift cards will be given to the first 500 participants! For more information, contact coordinator Stacy Hill-Williams at: swilliams@brotherhoodcrusade.org.

Wildfire Safety Gravel Grant Available

Altadena homeowners recovering from the Eaton Fire now have access to a new Gravel Grant Program aimed at improving wildfire safety. The initiative, led by Global Emergency Relief, Recovery & Reconstruction (GER³) in partnership with Fire Safe Marin and CalFIRE, provides free gravel to help residents create a five-foot defensible space—known as “Zone 0”—around their homes. Zone 0 is considered the most critical buffer in protecting structures from wildfire damage. To qualify, residents must first clear all combustible materials near the home. Approved applicants will receive a voucher for gravel delivery from a local supplier to replace these flammable materials with fire-resistant ground cover. The program reflects a growing effort to help fire-affected communities rebuild with resilience and reduce future wildfire risks. For more information or to apply, visit www.ger3.org or contact Wildfire.Recovery@ger3.org.





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**



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**STAGE 1
REGISTER
BEFORE
OCTOBER 30
2025**



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.

Scan here to donate:
(choose your level and select "set up recurring donation")



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

STAY CONNECTED

PREACHING SCHEDULE

November 1:
Uriel Herinirina

November 8:
Rebecca Barceló



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