



GLENDAL CITY CHURCH
of Seventh-day Adventists



July 11, 2026

WELCOME

We're Glad You're Here



TODAY AT GLENDALE CITY CHURCH

- 9:00AM (*Courtyard Café*) - Come & enjoy a special Fourth of July brunch in our Courtyard!
- 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 Pastor Leif Lind.
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

Oh deepen me where I am thin and shallow,
Uproot in me the thistle and the thorn.

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Prelude

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing
arr. Kemp L Smeal

Kemp Smeal, *Piano*

Call to Worship

Rebecca Barceló

God of creation, of rain and soil, of seed and growth,

We gather in Your presence, from different places, with different expectations.

Some ready to receive,

some unsure,

some simply present.

We come before you with all that we are,

Meet us here, we pray, and speak Your word among us.

Hymn of Praise

My Maker & My King

No. 15

Greetings & Prayers of the People

Rebecca Barceló

Worship in Song

'And Can It Be?'
by Dan Forrest

Becca Tomasko

Scripture Reading

Tom Chatt

Matthew 13:1-13, 18-23

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the lake. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat in it, while all the people stood on the shore. Then he told them many things in parables, saying:

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(Scripture Continued)

“A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop — a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. Whoever has ears, let them hear.”

The disciples came to him and asked, “Why do you speak to the people in parables?” He replied, “Because the knowledge of the secrets of the kingdom of heaven has been given to you, but not to them. Whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. This is why I speak to them in parables: Though seeing, they do not see; though hearing, they do not hear or understand.”

“Listen then to what the parable of the sower means: When anyone hears the message about the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in their heart. This is the seed sown along the path. The seed falling on rocky ground refers to someone who hears the word and at once receives it with joy. But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away. The seed falling among the thorns refers to someone who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, making it unfruitful. But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word and understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown.”

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Offertory

There Is A Balm in Gilead
arr. by Margaret Dorn & Peter Link

Becca Tomasko

Hymn of Response

"In the Bulb There Is a Flower"
by Natalie Sleeth, 1985

Tune: Beecher

(1) In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

(2) There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn for every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

(3) In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

Benediction

Leif Lind

Postlude

Praise the Lord With Drums and Cymbals
Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Kemp Smeal



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Celebrating Two Baptisms on July 25th!

Glendale City Church is delighted to celebrate the baptisms of Philip Kellermeier, grandson of Emilia Tudor, and his aunt, Lidia Orozco, on Sabbath, July 25. We hope you will join us as we celebrate this special occasion and welcome Philip and Lidia into this new chapter of their spiritual journey.

VBS Volunteers Needed at Glendale Adventist Academy

Help make **Rainforest Falls VBS: Exploring the Nature of God** a memorable experience for our children! VBS will be July 13–17 from 5:30–8:30 p.m. at Glendale Adventist Academy (located at: 700 Kimlin Dr., Glendale). If you'd like to volunteer, register using the QR code (at right) or contact the church office with any questions.



Young Adult International Vespers Night on Friday, July 24th at 6:00 pm at Temple City SDA Church hosted by One House (SCC's Young Adult Group) will welcome visiting young adults from Germany — enjoy a free dinner, worship, mixers, and a main session on "How to Share Your Faith in a Secular World" with Pastors Zac De Leon and Mike Magdadaro. Reserve your free dinner at the QR code to the left!

Join us for **Glendale Noon Concerts**, a free lunchtime concert series, on Wednesday, July 15, 2026, from 12:10–12:40 pm in the Sanctuary. This week's performance features pianist Tae Yeon Lim in a solo recital of works by Fauré and Schubert. Lim is a USC Thornton School of Music alumna, who has performed at venues including the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and the Brand Library and Arts Center. She currently serves as music director at St. Timothy Catholic Church in West LA.



STAY CONNECTED

PREACHING SCHEDULE

July 18:

Rebecca Barceló
(Communion Sabbath)

July 25:

Uriel Herinirina



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