



GLENDALE CITY CHURCH
of Seventh-day Adventists



March 14, 2026

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 Sam Leonor. The service can be viewed online at: youtube.com/glendalecitychurch.
- 12:10PM (*Multipurpose Room-Downstairs*) - Open Table Worship will join the rest of the church in potluck this week in the Fellowship Hall at 12:40pm. Hope to see you there!

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

“Forgiveness flounders
when we exclude our
enemy from the community
of humans and when we
exclude ourselves from the
community of sinners.”

WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Pari intervallo
by Arvo Pärt

Kemp Smeal

Call to Worship

Rebecca Barceló

God calls us into a love that is brave enough to care, even when caring is costly.
We come to worship, asking God to make our hearts courageous.

Compassion draws us close to the pain of the world and asks us not to turn away.
We come ready to see, to listen, and to love.

Courage calls us to stand for kindness and mercy, even when it feels risky.
We trust that God's Spirit strengthens those who dare to love.

In Christ we learn that the greatest power in the world is sacrificial love.
So we gather to worship, ready to walk the path of courageous compassion.

Hymn of Praise

Praise to the Lord

No. 001

Greeting and Prayers of the Congregation

Lyndon Johnston Taylor

Anthem

He Became a Lamb
by Mary Kay Beall

GCC Choir

Litany of Confession

Uriel Herinirina

We live fractured lives and we're not always able to live up to the ideals we believe in. God seeks to reconcile and restore us. Trusting in God's grace, let us then make our confession together.

In Jesus, God offers us a mirror through which we begin to see ourselves as we truly are and as we ought to be. We look to Jesus, the perfect image of Goodness and truth and pray to be transformed.
O Lord, hear our prayer.

For Jesus, there was no need to project an image of righteousness.
O God, open our eyes.

In Christ we see absolute authenticity in personhood and in action.
O God, show us the truth about ourselves.

WORSHIP SERVICE

(Confession continued)

In Jesus there was no hint of self-deception, no reason to pretend to be perfect.

O God, illumine our inner being.

(A Moment of Silent Prayer)

In Christ there is authenticity. In him there is healing, and freedom. People of God, I declare to you that your sins are forgiven, be at peace.

Amen.

Scripture Reading

Mark 1:40-41

Debbie Wood
Martinson

A man with a skin disease came to him begging him, and kneeling he said to him,

“If you are willing, you can make me clean.”

Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him and said to him,

“I am willing. Be made clean!”

Anthem

Look to the Cross
by Ruth Elaine Schram

GCC Choir

Speaker Introduction

Uriel Herinirina

Sermon

The Courage of Compassion

Sam Leonor

Offertory

“Lord, Dear Lord Above”
by Duke Ellington

Charles Lane

WORSHIP SERVICE

Hymn of Response

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

No. 363

Benediction

Sam Leonor

Choral Benediction

On Eagle's Wings

GCC Choir

Postlude

Litanies
by Jehan Alain

Kemp Smeal



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Speaker: Sam Leonor is Chief Mission Officer for Adventist Health, where he leads strategy related to ethics, mission alignment, spiritual care, and partnerships with faith communities. With more than 30 years of experience in ministry, higher education, and healthcare, he previously served as university chaplain and adjunct professor at La Sierra University. Leonor holds a BA in Religious Education from Southern Adventist University and a Master of Divinity from Andrews University.



Potluck Today: Join us after the service for potluck at 12:40 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Come enjoy good food and good conversation—everyone is welcome! If you're able, feel free to bring a dish to share. We look forward to spending time together.

Easter Weekend: Mark your calendars to join us Friday night, April 3 at 6:30pm for refreshments in the chapel before our 7pm Good Friday Service. Then on Saturday, April 4, we will continue in the sanctuary with our Easter celebration.



Glendale Noon Concert: Join us on Wednesday, March 18 at 12:10 p.m. for the Glendale Noon Concert featuring Grammy Award-winning pianist Brendan White. The program highlights the lively rhythms of ragtime and early American piano music with works by Scott Joplin, George Gershwin, and William Bolcom, and more!

Notice of Research Activity:

As part of an academic theological research project conducted through Newbold College of Higher Education/University of Wales Trinity Saint David, Pastor Uriel Herinirina will conduct participant observation during worship services at Glendale City Church on the following dates: **Feb. 14, 21, 28; Mar. 7, 14, and 21.**

This non-intrusive observation focuses on the overall flow and communal aspects of worship, particularly communal confession and intercessory prayer. The emphasis is on general patterns of participation in the service, not on identifying or recording information about specific individuals. Pastor Uriel Herinirina will be clearly identifiable during these services by wearing a visible badge.

Attendance at services on these dates indicates consent for general observation. If you have any questions or would prefer that your conversation or comments, not be included in the research, please let Pastor Uriel know in person or via email: uriel@glendalecitychurch.org.

STAY CONNECTED

PREACHING SCHEDULE

March 21:
Rebecca Barceló

March 28:
Uriel Herinirina



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