



GLENDALE CITY CHURCH  
of Seventh-day Adventists



May 16, 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 Uriel Herinirina. The service can be viewed online at: [youtube.com/glendalecitychurch](https://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

We need no wings to go  
in search of him, but  
have only to find a  
place where we can be  
alone and look upon  
him present within us.

# WORSHIP SERVICE

*Prelude*

**Carillon**  
by Herbert Murill

Kemp Smeal

*Call to Worship*

Ken Rothstein

*Cantor Ken Rothstein is Cantor Emeritus of Temple Beth Israel of Highland Park and Eagle Rock, where he served for 38 years. He has been one of the tenors in our GCC Choir for the past three years, alongside his wife Zaida, a soprano. They are both joyful to be part of the GCC community. In honor of Jewish American Heritage Month, Ken shares an offering with us today.*

## **L'kha Dodi (Come, My Beloved)**

Begins with Hebrew refrain: (Translation: "Come, my beloved, to welcome the bride; let's greet Shabbat as she arrives.")

The Cantor will chant three verses which greet the Sabbath as an eagerly awaited and cherished Bride. Traditionally chanted on Friday evenings in the Jewish community to welcome the arrival of the Sabbath.

Concludes once again with Hebrew refrain: (Translation: "Come, my beloved, to welcome the bride; let's greet Shabbat as she arrives.")

*Hymn of Praise*

**Immortal Invisible**  
**God Only Wise**

No. 21

*Greetings & Prayer of the People*

Rebecca Barceló

*Anthem*

**Simple Gifts**  
*Arr. by Marie Pooler*

GCC Choir

*Offering Call*

Doug Schultz

# WORSHIP SERVICE

*Offertory*

**My Jesus I Love Thee**  
*arr. by Dan Forrest*

Clarissa Shan

*Scripture Reading*

**John 17:4-9**

Tom Chatt

I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.

Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours.

*Anthem*

**Down to the River to Pray**  
*Arr. by Sheldon Curry*

GCC Choir

*Sermon*

Uriel Herinirina

*Hymn of Response*

**Love Divine**

No. 191

*Benediction*

**Reconciliation: Becoming One**

Uriel Herinirina

*Choral Benediction*

**On Eagle's Wings**

GCC Choir

*Postlude*

**Tocatta on "Amazing Grace"**  
*arr. J. Christopher Pardini*

Kemp Smeal

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## **Graduation Sabbath - June 6**

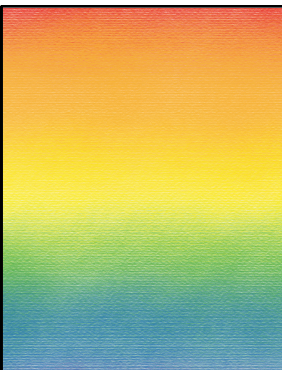
Do you have a graduate in your family this year? We would love to celebrate them! If you know of someone graduating this month, please share their name with us at: [office@glendalecitychurch.org](mailto:office@glendalecitychurch.org) by May 31st. And don't forget to invite them to join us on June 6th as we celebrate our graduates together at Glendale City Church!

## **Caregivers Needed in Our Community**

Two local families are currently seeking caregivers: one is looking for a kind, reliable companion for an elderly mother who is healthy and independent but no longer drives (supplemental income provided), and another is seeking a live-in caregiver to assist with housekeeping, meal prep, medical equipment maintenance, and more (\$2,000/month, private bedroom included). If interested, please email the church office for more information at: [office@glendalecitychurch.org](mailto:office@glendalecitychurch.org).

## **Living with Loss — A Grief Support Series**

You are warmly invited to join Women's Ministries for Living with Loss, a grief support series designed to offer a safe and compassionate space for anyone navigating the challenges of loss. While hosted by Women's Ministries, this series is open to both men and women. Sessions will be held online every Friday, June 5 through August 7, from 7:00–8:00 pm PT, and will be facilitated by Women's Ministries leader Loretta Shields, PhD, DMin. If you or someone you know is carrying the weight of loss, we encourage you to take this step toward support and connection — you don't have to walk this path alone. To register and receive video call information, visit [drloretashields.com/scwm](http://drloretashields.com/scwm).



## **International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia — May 17**

Tomorrow marks International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia, a day dedicated to raising awareness of the violence and discrimination faced by LGBTQIA+ people around the world. Glendale City Church takes this opportunity to reaffirm that all people are made in the image of God and deserving of dignity and respect. We are committed to living out that truth in how we welcome, honor, and care for one another within this community.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Glendale Noon Concert — May 20

Join us on Wednesday, for a special live performance featuring composer-cellist Stefanie Fife and pianist Brendan White. The program will showcase Stefanie's original works. Stefanie is a celebrated Los Angeles-based cellist whose recording credits include *Up*, *Ratatouille*, *Star Wars: Rogue One*, and multiple *Spider-Man* and *Mission: Impossible* films, as well as recordings with Elton John, Stevie Wonder, and Faith Hill. This is a wonderful opportunity to hear her original compositions performed live!



## Senior Recital - May 25

Join Georgiana Wu and family as they celebrate the senior recital of cellist, Sheng Schumann Kodalay, here in the GCC Chapel!

**Senior Recital**

**May 25 11:00am**  
**Glendale Adventist**  
**City Church**

**Sheng**  
**Schumann**  
**Kodaly**

**610 E California Ave**  
**Glendale, CA 91206**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## May Lunch Program

The May Lunch Program is well underway and has been a success! If you'd like to be part of this GCC ministry, volunteer spots are still available on May 24 and on May 31 from 11:00am-1:00pm. Please contact Cheri Watson at 818-480-2721 or [cheranurse@att.net](mailto:cheranurse@att.net) to get involved — we'd love to have you join!



 **GLENDALE**  
CITY CHURCH  
LECTURE SERIES

AND



**AMIGOS  
UNIDOS**  
OF GLENDALE

present:

# BEARING WITNESS

## STORIES OF SURVIVAL

**May 30, 2026 | 2:00 PM**

**Glendale City Adventist Church**

610 E California Ave, Glendale, CA 91206

Join us for an afternoon of **compassionate listening** and **honest conversation** as we hear from Glendale residents who were forcibly removed from their communities without due process and have since been exonerated and returned home. Together, we will reflect on what happened and discuss **what comes next**.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Southern California Conference invites us to EQUIP26, a free, interactive training experience featuring multiple breakout seminars designed with members in mind, addressing the real needs of local churches. EQUIP26 will feature a rich lineup of breakout seminars led by experienced pastors, ministry directors, and church leaders from across the Southern California Conference.

Sessions are built around the 8 characteristics of healthy churches and cover a wide range of topics, including strategic leadership and organizational culture, conflict resolution and peacemaking, discipleship and Bible study, evangelism and urban mission, stewardship, and the transformative power of prayer.

Ministry-focused workshops are also available for those serving in children's ministry, youth and young adult ministry, and church communications. Whether you're a pastor, lay leader, or dedicated church member, there's something at EQUIP26 for everyone.

The event will be held **TODAY**, May 16, at 3:00 p.m. at Vallejo Drive Seventh-day Adventist Church (300 Vallejo Drive, Glendale). Registration is now live — sign up with the QR code listed here.



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

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.

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- **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.

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

# STAY CONNECTED

## PREACHING SCHEDULE

**May 23:**

Uriel Herinirina

**May 30:**

Rebecca Barceló



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