



FINDING GOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF OUR LIVES

January 25, 2025

ON CAMPUS TODAY AT GLENDALE CITY CHURCH, JANUARY 25:

- 9:00 a.m.: **Courtyard Café.** Enjoy simple breakfast foods & beverages in our Fellowship Hall lobby.
- 9:30 a.m.: **Grace Sabbath School class** with Pastor Leif, both live in the Fellowship Hall and on Zoom, meeting ID 818-244-7241. Join in our lively book study: *The Sin of Certainty: Why God Desires Our Trust More Than Our "Correct" Beliefs* by Peter Enns.
- 9:30 a.m.: **The Living Project Support Group** meets weekly in the Council Room. "Telling my story. Listening to your story. Living our story."
- 11:00 a.m.: Worship service with Beth Johnston Taylor; also available online, <https://YouTube.com/c/GlendaleCityChurch>. Next Sabbath, **Feb 1:** Worship service with Leif Lind. Farewell luncheon after the service.
- 11:00 a.m.: **City Kids Children's Praise with Music**, Room 2.
- 11:15 a.m.: **Tiny Tots** (0-4 years old, together with a guardian) go to Classroom 2; **Children's Sabbath School** (5-12 years) go to Classroom 1. Noon pickup.

OPEN TABLE WORSHIP:

- 12:15 p.m.: Vision board workshop today! Motivational conversation and crafting with food and interpersonal connections!

"It was the same in the days of Lot. People were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building. But the day Lot left Sodom, fire and sulfur rained down from heaven and destroyed them all.

"It will be just like this on the day the Son of Man is revealed. On that day no one who is on the housetop, with possessions inside, should go down to get them. Likewise, no one in the field should go back for anything. Remember Lot's wife! Whoever tries to keep their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life will preserve it. I tell you, on that night two people will be in one bed; one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding grain together; one will be taken and the other left."

"Where, Lord?" they asked. He replied, "Where there is a dead body, there the vultures will gather."

Sermon "Giving Our Dead Bodies to the Vultures" Beth Johnston Taylor

Offertory "There Is a Balm in Gilead" *arr. Harry T. Burleigh*
Joslyn Sarshad, *soprano*

(Deacons will collect the offering as we meditate on the message in music. Please give as you're able — unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense.)

Closing Hymn "The Kingdom of God Is Justice and Joy" *Bryn A. Rees; tune: LYONS*

(1) The kingdom of God is justice and joy; for Jesus restores what sin would destroy.
God's power and glory in Jesus we know; and here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.

(2) The kingdom of God is mercy and grace; the captives are freed, the sinners find place,
The outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share; and hope is awakened in place of despair.

(3) The kingdom of God is challenge and choice: believe the good news, repent and rejoice!
God's love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross: our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.

(4) God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal; in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole.
The heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call; and all things cry "Glory!" to God all in all.

Benediction Beth Johnston Taylor

Postlude "The Solid Rock" *arr. Kemp L. Smeal*
Kemp Smeal, *organ*



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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Preaching schedule and announcements:

- **Jan 25** Beth Johnston Taylor. Memorial service for Harold Fanselau at 3 p.m.
- **Feb 1** Leif Lind, church potluck

Next week, February 1 will be **Pastor Leif's last Sabbath at City Church**. A church potluck will be held immediately after the service.

Church office hours:

Anji: Wednesdays–Saturdays 9 a.m.–1 p.m.

Pastor Uriel: Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 a.m.–1 p.m.; Wednesdays 12–5 p.m.

Pastor Uriel is speaking today at the Orange Coast Church for their anniversary.

Our deepest sympathies and prayers for all who have been affected by the recent **tragic wildfires**, particularly members whose houses have been destroyed. Free fire-related counseling is available by texting 310-402-4906; a therapist will respond within 30 minutes. Also, airbnb.org, in collaboration with 211 LA is offering help in finding temporary housing to those impacted by the fires (<https://news.airbnb.com>). Another organization trying to help is the Harmony Project (info@harmony-project.org). Questions relating to disaster assistance can be found at <https://bhba.org> and disasterassistance.gov. See also our own City Church's Facebook page and Instagram.

Let's continue to remember the **family of Liz Wenz** and her brother **Herman Wenz**, after Liz's death and ongoing health challenges for the family. We will update church members when there is information about a memorial service for Liz.

The memorial service for **Harold Fanselau** will be held at our church **today**, January 25 at 3 p.m.

We regret to report the passing of **Dr. Byron Spears, Jr.** (1931-2025), who used to attend our church. His funeral service will be this coming Friday, January 31, 11 a.m. at Vallejo Drive Church.

Glendale Noon Concert, Feb. 5: Violinists Samuel Fischer and Sakura Tsai, with pianist Jennie Jung, will perform works for violin duo by Jessie Montgomery, Dimitri Shostakovich, and Pablo de Sarasate. See <http://glendalenoonconcerts.blogspot.com>.

Open House: Glendale Adventist Academy (700 Kimlin Drive), Thursday, Feb. 6 from 5:30-7:00 p.m., allowing visitors to see the facilities and meet faculty and administration.

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