



FINDING GOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF OUR LIVES

March 2, 2024

### ON CAMPUS TODAY AT GLENDALE CITY CHURCH, MARCH 2:

- 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. Book study: "Do I Stay Christian? — A Guide for the Doubters, the Disappointed, and the Disillusioned" by Brian McLaren.
- 9:30 a.m.: **The Living Project Support Group** will not meet this week or next.
- 11:00 a.m.: **Sanctuary worship service** with Greg Nelson; also available online, <https://YouTube.com/c/GlendaleCityChurch>. **Next Sabbath, March 9:** worship service with Greg Nelson.
- 11:00 a.m.: **City Kids Children's Praise with Music**, Room 2.
- 11:15 a.m.: **Tiny Tots** (0-3 years old, together with a guardian) go to Classroom 2; **Godly Play** (4-12 years) go to Classroom 1. Noon pickup.

### OPEN TABLE WORSHIP:

- 12:15 p.m.: Informal worship gathering downstairs in the Café. All are welcome as we share with music, story-telling, and interpersonal connections!

### THIS WEEK AT GLENDALE CITY CHURCH:

- 7:00 p.m. **Social Jesus Heartgroup** by Herb Montgomery, each Wednesday at <https://Zoom.us/j/8182447241>, discussing Jesus' call to bringing justice and equality to all. Study guide or podcast: <https://RenewedHeartMinistries.com>.

# SATURDAY WORSHIP – 11:00 A.M. (PLEASE SILENCE YOUR ELECTRONIC DEVICES)

We welcome you as you worship with us online today. Please feel free to contact any of our pastoral staff if you have a question, want a visit, or need help:

- <https://glendalecitychurch.org>
- <https://facebook.com/glendalecitychurch>
- phone 818-244-7241

## **Prelude**

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”  
Kemp Smeal, *piano*

*arr. Kemp L. Smeal*

## **Call to Worship**

Leif Lind

Answer me when I call to you, O God who declares me innocent.  
Free me from my troubles. Have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

**How long will you people ruin my reputation?  
How long will you make groundless accusations?  
How long will you continue your lies?**

Don't sin by letting anger control you. Think about it overnight and remain silent.  
Offer sacrifices in the right spirit, and trust the Lord.

**In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, O Lord, will keep me safe.** —Ps. 4

## **Opening Hymn**

“O God, You Made the Sabbath Day”

*Carolyn Winfrey Gillette*  
2000; Tune: PARK STREET

(1) O God, you made the Sabbath day, your gift, your law, your healing way.  
You also made, within each heart a longing for this day apart.

(2) You gave your children, long-oppressed, your freeing gift of Sabbath rest.  
You give us Sabbath freedom, too: Our lives are more than work we do!

(3) Life's sacred rhythm seems long gone; the world, unblinking, carries on.  
Your Spirit calls us! Slow our pace that we may hear your word of grace.

(4) Christ Jesus lives! He makes us new! On Sabbaths now, we worship you.  
With hearts uplifted, joy restored, your church goes out to serve you, Lord.

## **Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation**

Didi Mumford

*(Please remain standing for prayer)*

**Scripture Reading****Mark 10:13-16 (NLT)**

Myron Counts

One day some parents brought their children to Jesus so he could touch and bless them. But the disciples scolded the parents for bothering him.

**When Jesus saw what was happening, he was angry with his disciples. He said to them, “Let the children come to me. Don’t stop them! For the Kingdom of God belongs to those who are like these children.**

“I tell you the truth, anyone who doesn’t receive the Kingdom of God like a child will never enter it.”

**Then Jesus took the children in his arms and placed his hands on their heads and blessed them.**

**Sermon**

“THE PSALMS DARE US TO EXPRESS OUR EMOTIONS”  
Part 2: “Anger & Frustration”

Greg Nelson

**Offertory**

“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”  
Greg Nelson, *piano*

*arr. Greg Nelson*

*(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.)*

**Hymn of Response**

“God, We’ve Known Such Grief and Anger” *Carolyn Winfrey Gillette*  
2002; Tune: BEECHER

(1) God, we’ve known such grief and anger as we’ve heard your people cry.  
We have asked you, “How much longer?” We have sadly wondered, “Why?”  
In this world of so much suffering, may we hear your word anew:  
“I will never leave you orphaned; I will not abandon you.”

(2) By your grace comes resurrection; by your love, you cast out fear.  
You give strength and sure direction as we seek to serve you here.  
You give comfort to the grieving, and you bless the ones who mourn.  
May we trust in you, believing out of chaos, hope is born.

(3) Hope is ours for, God, you love us! You have claimed us by your grace.  
And through Jesus, you have called us to bring hope to every place.  
In each rescue worker’s caring, in each faithful volunteer,  
In each Christian’s love and sharing, God, we glimpse your kingdom here.

**Benediction**

Greg Nelson

**Postlude**

“Toccata, Opus 59”  
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

*Max Reger*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### Preaching schedule and announcements:

- **Mar 2** Greg Nelson
- **Mar 9** Greg Nelson
- **Mar 16** John Webster, La Sierra University

Today **Pastor Greg Nelson** continues to share his thoughts in the second of a three-part sermon series entitled "THE PSALMS DARE US TO EXPRESS OUR EMOTIONS".

**Prayer Concerns:** Please remember **Ellenis Tohdjodjo**, as she deals with cancer; we will be tying a prayer quilt for her after church today. Also keep **Keldon Koning**, son of Gail Murphy in prayer, as he deals with health issues.

**Please reach out to us.** Feel free to reach out to us if you have a prayer concern, an illness, or a life event for us to be aware of. We are here to help whenever we can. Pastor Leif Lind (909-557-5230) or Beth Johnston Taylor, head elder (909-747-8836), Glendale City Church office (818-244-7241).

The Glendale City Church chapter of the **Prayers and Squares quilting ministry** is here to help involve as many people as possible in offering prayer for them. If you think someone could benefit from prayer through a quilt, email us at [glendalepsm@gmail.com](mailto:glendalepsm@gmail.com) for more information.

**Glendale Noon Concert**, March 6, featuring violinist Ken Aiso and pianist Valeria Morgovskaya performing Beethoven's "Spring" Sonata and selections from "Fiona's Dance Card" by Los Angeles composer Mark Saya. Free admission; <http://glendalenoonconcerts.blogspot.com>.

**SCC Youth Ministries**, Saturday, March 9, 11:30 a.m.–7:30 p.m.: "**Deep & Wide**" **Teen Beach Worship Day**, including worship, vespers, and games with Willy Ramos and Sal Garcia. Location: Leo Carrillo State Beach and Park. Sign up for complimentary meal or contact 818-546-8439, [sgarcia@sccsda.org](mailto:sgarcia@sccsda.org).

**Adventist World Radio offering, March 9:** Next week we will take up this annual offering which goes towards supporting our denomination's world radio program; see <https://awr.org>.