



GLENDALE CITY CHURCH
of Seventh-day Adventists



May 10, 2025
Fourth Sabbath in Easter

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 Sabbath School class with Pastor Rebecca, 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: www.youtube.com/glendalecitychurch.
- 12:10AM (*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!
- 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 are invited to reflect.

“Everywhere the need exists for
maternal sympathy and help ...

Only, the motherliness must be
that which does not remain
within the narrow circle of blood
relations or of personal friends;
but must have its root in
universal divine love for all who
are there, belabored and
burdened.”

-Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
(Edith Stein)

WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Gabriel's Oboe from "The Mission"
Ennio Morricone

Kemp Smeal

Call to Worship

Rebecca Barceló

We've come to worship the God,
who loved us before we were yet born
who knows us even better than we know ourselves
whose presence never leaves us
and whose love for us never ceases.
This is our God. The One who nurtures us.
Amen.

Hymn of Praise

"Under His Wings"

No. 529

Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation

Lyndon Johnston Taylor

Litany of Confession

Uriel Herinirina

God of tenderness and truth,
we come today with full hearts—
some rejoicing, some aching.

**We confess, O God,
we have not always honored
the love given to us.
We have taken for granted
arms that held us,
words that guided us, prayers that covered us.**

Forgive us for the times we've turned away
from the gentle strength
of those who nurtured our lives.
Forgive the sharp words, the silent walls,
the love we failed to give in return.

**We also confess the sorrow we carry:
for mothers lost, for children longed for,
for fractured ties, for unmet hopes.**

In your kindness, receive our silent tears.
Heal the wounds we name in quiet,
and the ones we cannot yet speak.

**Cradle us, Comforter of all.
Renew us in your unfailing love.
Teach us to honor one another
with Christlike care.**

In your mercy, make us whole.
In your grace, make us new.
Amen.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Anthem

"I Surrender All"
Arr. Mark Hayes

GCC Choir

Mother's Day Prayer

Clarissa Shan

Lord, we thank you for the women who raised us, who were our mothers in childhood. Whether birth mom, adopted mom, older sister, aunt, grandmother, stepmother or someone else, we thank you for those women who held us and fed us, who cared for us and kissed away our pain. We pray that our lives may reflect the love they showed us.

We pray for older moms whose children are grown.
Grant them joy and satisfaction for a job well done.

We pray for moms who have lost children.
Grant them comfort in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We pray for new moms experiencing changes they could not predict.
Grant them rest and peace as they trust you for the future.

We pray for adoptive mothers.
Grant them joy and gratitude for the gift you have provided.

We pray for moms who face the demands of single parenthood.
Grant them strength and wisdom.

We pray for all women who have assumed the mother's role in a child's life.
Grant them joy and the appreciation of others.

We pray for moms who are raising their children in poverty.
Grant them relief and justice.

We pray for those grieving the recent loss of their mother.
Grant them comfort and hope in Christ's resurrection.

Scripture Readings

Acts 9:36-43

Elizabeth Johnston Taylor

Anthem

"Gospel of Grace"
Arr. Mark Hayes

GCC Choir

WORSHIP SERVICE

Homily

Uriel Herinirina

Offertory

"Give Me Jesus"
by H.T. Burleigh

Zineb Fikri
mezzo-soprano

Closing Hymn

"God of the Women"
Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

Melody of
Be Thou My Vision

God of the women who answered your call,
Trusting your promises, giving their all,
Women like Sarah and Hannah and Ruth —
Give us their courage to live in your truth.

God of the women who walked Jesus' Way,
Giving their resources, learning to pray,
Mary, Joanna, Susanna, and more —
May we give freely as they did before.

God of the women who ran from the tomb,
Prayed with the others in that upper room,
Then felt your Spirit on Pentecost Day —
May we so gladly proclaim you today.

O God of Dorcas and ministers all,
May we be joyful in answering your call.
Give us the strength of your Spirit so near
That we may share in your ministry here.

Benediction

Uriel Herinirina

Postlude

"Fanfare"
by Nicolas Jacques Lemmens

Kemp Smeal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mother's Day Potluck: Join us after today's service for a community potluck, as we honor the mothers and mother figures who nurture and uplift our world!

Memorial for Dr. Marguerite Marsh:

This afternoon at 3pm, GCC will host the memorial service for longtime member and choir singer, Dr. Marguerite Marsh. Please join us as we comfort the Marsh family and honor Marguerite's memory together.



Dr. Jim Walters: Special Guest at GCC (June 7):

We're excited to welcome Dr. Jim Walters to Glendale City Church on June 7th! Dr. Walters will be our worship service speaker and will also lead an afternoon seminar on the topic of head and heart religion—exploring the balance between analytical and devotional approaches to faith. The afternoon seminar will include opportunities for discussion, so come ready to engage and reflect!

Recent passing of Barbara Jones:

Barbara Jones passed away on Friday, April 25, at the age of 92. She and her late husband, Pastor Wayne Jones, formerly served at the Burbank Church and later became long-time members of Glendale City Church. We will miss Barbara's caring and empathetic presence in our community!



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PREACHING SCHEDULE

May 17: Rebecca Barceló

May 24: Uriel Herinirina



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