



FINDING GOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF OUR LIVES

September 14, 2024

ON CAMPUS TODAY AT GLENDALE CITY CHURCH, SEPTEMBER 14:

- 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, two-book study: "Your God Is Too Small" (J. B. Phillips) and *Adventist Today's* book "Dear Aunt Sevvv"
- 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 Pastor Uriel; also available online, <https://YouTube.com/c/GlendaleCityChurch>. Next Sabbath, Sep 21: Worship service with Pastor Leif.
- 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 multipurpose room. All are welcome as we share with music, story-telling, and interpersonal connections!



*Glendale City Church welcomes people of all backgrounds into our church community.
We do not discriminate based on gender, sexual orientation, race, culture, wealth, education, or religious background.*

*If you are learning to love God and others, you belong here.
God excludes no one. Neither do we.*

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>
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- phone 818-244-7241

Prelude

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

Johann Sebastian Bach

Call to Worship

Uriel Herinirina

On this Sabbath morning we have gathered to worship you, O God.

Lord God, be with us today and accept our praise.

O Christ, you suffered and died on the cross so that you could draw the whole world to yourself.

O Christ, as we today remember your sacrifice for us, we thank you for your gift of love.

Hymn of Praise

“Lift High the Cross”

No. 362

Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

(1) Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

(2) Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu’ring ranks combine.

(3) All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of him who died.

(4) O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As thou hast promised, draw us all to thee.

(5) So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory!

Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation

(Please remain standing for prayer)

Didi Mumford

Scripture Reading**Philippians 2:5-11**

Jerry Wahagheghe

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Hymn of Meditation

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

No. 155

(1) When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

(2) See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

(3) Since I, who was undone and lost, have pardon through his name and word;
Forbid it, then, that I should boast, save in the cross of Christ my Lord.

(4) Were the whole realm of nature mine that were a tribute far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

Scripture Reading**John 12:31-36a**

Tom Chatt

Jesus said, "Now is the judgment of this world, now shall the ruler of this world be cast out; and I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself." He said this to show by what death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Christ remains for ever. How can you say that the Son of man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of man?" Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, lest the darkness overtake you; he who walks in the darkness does not know where he goes. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light." When Jesus had said this, he departed and hid himself from them.

Worship in Song

"Amazing Grace"
Abdiel Gonzalez, *baritone*

arr. Richard Walters

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Beth Johnston Taylor

LEADER: Blessed are you, Lord Jesus who came to us a little child one of us, flesh and blood to share in our humanity. For God so loved the world

ALL: That all might have eternal life.

LEADER: Blessed are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as carpenter and yet in whose creative hands a world was fashioned. For God so loved the world

ALL: That all might have eternal life.

LEADER: Blessed are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as fisherman and yet pointed to a harvest that was yet to come. For God so loved the world

ALL: That all might have eternal life.

LEADER: Blessed are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as teacher and opened eyes to truths that only the poor could understand. For God so loved the world

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LEADER: Blessed are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as healer and opened hearts to the reality of wholeness. For God so loved the world

ALL: That all might have eternal life.

LEADER: Blessed are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as prophet, priest and king, and yet humbled himself all the way to the cross. For God so loved the world

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LEADER: Blessed are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as servant and revealed to us the extent of God's love for humankind. For God so loved the world

ALL: That all might have eternal life.

Homily

Uriel Herinirina

Offertory

"I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked"
Abdiel Gonzalez, *baritone*

arr. Geoffrey O'Hara

(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.)

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leif Lind

LEADER: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor: When we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

PEOPLE: Forgive us Lord.

LEADER: When we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

PEOPLE: Receive our regrets Lord.

LEADER: When we put limits to the work of your spirit in our lives.

PEOPLE: Expand your hold on us, Lord.

LEADER: When we lack belief and understanding.

PEOPLE: Remind us through your words, Lord.

LEADER: When we lack courage to stand up for the weak.

PEOPLE: Forgive us, Lord, and move us to compassion, empathy and action.

LEADER: We come to confess our clumsiness Lord.

PEOPLE: Before you and before each other.

LEADER: For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

ALL: That we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Hymn of Response

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

No. 237

(1) In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

(2) When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me; Lo! it glows with peace and joy.

(3) When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming adds new luster to the day.

(4) Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.

Benediction

Uriel Herinirina

Postlude

"Sinfonia" from *Cantata Now Thank We All Our God*
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

J. S. Bach

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Preaching schedule and announcements:

- **Sep 14** Uriel Herinirina
- **Sep 21** Leif Lind

• **Pastor Uriel's church office hours:** Tuesdays & Thursdays 9–1 p.m.; Wednesdays 12–5 p.m.

Dear Church Family, We're excited to announce our initiative to **upgrade our church's audiovisual and streaming system!** This improvement will ensure clearer sound and a more engaging worship experience both in-person and online. Our online congregation is growing and we wish to share our exceptional music and liturgy with the many who cannot join our worship in person. Please consider donating to this important part of our mission — go to <https://glendalecitychurch.org/giving> or scan the QR code above. Mark donation "Media Ministry".

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Thank you!



Home organ: The family of longtime member Shirley Corbett, who passed away recently, is offering her home organ to anyone who is interested. Please contact the church office.

Please 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 Uriel Herinirina (530-488-6791), Pastor Leif Lind (909-557-5230); Beth Johnston Taylor, head elder (909-747-8836); or Glendale City Church office (818-244-7241).

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