

Church at Study

SANCTUARY

10:30 A.M.

Congregational Singing	Bruce Cotton, Jianna Nation, Elizabeth Alao, Amelie Zalsman
Opening Songs	<i>Here I Am to Worship</i> Ukulele, Clayton Koh
Prayer, Welcome, and Introductions	Ronald Trautwein
Special Feature	Erin Messinger, Ann Lee
Prayer for the Offering Offering	Clayton Koh Church Expense <i>(For mission offering mark envelope.)</i>
Offertory	LLA School Song Clayton Koh and Praise team kids Fredine Crosby
Lesson	<i>The Reading of the Word</i> Miguel Mendez
Closing Prayer	Miguel Mendez
Postlude	<i>Selected</i> Various
	Superintendent: Ronald Trautwein Ukulele: Clayton Koh Producer: Art Kroetz

Special Prayer Request Opportunity

We would like to include your prayer request in a special prayer time in the service today. Please text your request to 909-255-1280 at the very beginning of the service.

BAD RELIGION
HOW A GOOD GOD TESTS FOR GENUINE FAITH

JAMES 1 THE FINAL TEST ISN'T DOCTRINE? / JAMES 2 DEAD SPIRITUALITY OF THIS AGE / JAMES 3 POISONOUS WORDS / JAMES 4 WHEN WE BECOME ENEMIES OF GOD / JAMES 5 YOU RICH PEOPLE ARE WARNED

NIGHT CHURCH
YOUNG ADULT WORSHIP FRIDAYS 7PM
THE UNIVERSITY CHURCH COURTYARD

NOV. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, & DEC 6

Calendar

Monday , November 11 5:30 p.m.	Women's Prayer Group, room 102
Tuesday , November 12 6:30 p.m.	Experiencing God Bible Study, room 105
Wednesday , November 13 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Open Prayer Circle, "Acts of the Apostles," room 103 Intercessory Prayer Meeting, "The Latter Rain," <i>Adventism's Greatest Need</i> , Prayer Place, room 102
Thursday , November 14 12:00 noon	Sandwiches and Salvation, room 105
Friday , November 15 7:00 p.m.	Night Church (Praxis), Young Adults, the Courtyard
Sabbath , November 16 9:00 & 11:45 a.m.	"A Truly Rich Man," <i>Jacob: Rich Man, Poor Man, Beggar Man, Thief</i> (part 9 of 9), Randy Roberts, sanctuary LLUC Sabbath School, "Our Forgiving God," sanctuary Tour of new building
10:30 a.m. 1:30-2:30 p.m.	
Sunset Today - 4:49 p.m.	Sunset Next Week - 4:45 p.m.

Sermon Introduction

Throughout the ages, God's people have been characterized by waiting—and wrestling—often a lot of wrestling. Wrestling with how to reconcile our understanding of a loving God with the reality of a broken world. Wrestling with how to come to terms with the concept of a *soon-coming* Savior when we've waited for a long time. Wrestling with what it means to be saved by faith and yet be judged according to our works. Wrestling with when God will bring good things out of the bad things in our lives. And, in the midst of the struggling, *we wait*. A lot of waiting.

In the midst of the wrestling and the waiting, one thing has been key to sustaining the faith and the hope of God's people—and that one thing has been *God's promise*. This promise includes his promise to be with us, his promise that he loves us, his promise that he works in all things to bring about good in the lives of the people who love him (see Romans 8:28), and his promise to fulfill his purposes in each of our lives (see Jeremiah 29:11).

But God's people have often lived in the cognitive dissonance between his promise, on the one hand, and the suffering, loneliness, pain, sorrow, and other negative experiences, on the other. And it is in that experience that God's people have often encountered and experienced what St. John of the Cross called "the

dark night of the soul."

Have you ever experienced *the dark night of the soul*? You may wonder, first, what it is. It is a time of spiritual desolation, of feeling deeply alone, of not sensing God's presence, of wondering when the light will come. One may ask questions: *Why am I here?* and *Am I alone or is God out there somewhere?* Jesus, on the cross, experienced this at a deeper level than any other human ever has or will. "*My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?*" Jesus cried. (See Matthew 27:46.)

Interestingly, when Jacob wrestled all night with God by the Jabbok brook, what he experienced could be described in such terms. *What did the future hold? Had God forsaken him? Could he ever again live under the blessing of God?*

But it is what happened *after that* experience that interests us today because *on the other side of that dark night*—after the darkness had passed, *God's promise to Jacob was fulfilled!* His wrestling was past. His waiting was over. And God's promise was fulfilled.

May the same be true for you—and soon.

Randy Roberts, Senior Pastor

Together in Prayer

Prayer is accepting the invitation to come into God's presence. Join in prayers for LLUC's worship services, for God's will for our local and worldwide church, for the sick, for children, and any other requests Sabbath mornings, room 104, 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Weekly prayer teleconference, Fridays, 6 - 6:45 a.m. Call (909)361-6220, then enter the conference ID number 11125#.

Questions or Comments: www.lluc.org

Church Office Hours: M.-Th., 8am - 5pm ; F., 8am-noon. Closed Tu., 8:30-9:30am

November 9, 2019

Loma Linda University Church

of Seventh-day Adventists

JACOB:

**RICH MAN
POOR MAN
BEGGAR MAN
THIEF**

11125 Campus Street, Loma Linda, CA 92354

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Out of respect for worshippers around you, please silence all electronic devices.

Video Announcements

Pastoral Welcome Doug Mace

Prelude arr. Virgil Nielsen
Solemn Melody
 Sanctuary Brass

Hymn or Praise Anthony Showalter
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Prayer Adrian Pressley

Musical Praise Nathan Smith
God Is Never Late
 Junior Choir

Lamb's Offering* Alan Price
Happy All the Time

Children's Feature Filip Milosavljevic

Tithes and Offerings Charles Knox
 LLUC Building Fund
(Loose offerings go to church budget.)
 Offertory *Voluntary on "Hyfrydol"*
 Sanctuary Brass

Baptism Doug Mace²
 Michael Duffie
 Jaden Klainyein

Meditation²

Prayers of the People Ezrica Bennett

Scripture Reading Becky and Monte Murdoch
 Genesis 35:9-15, TNIV
(Pew Bible, p. 54)

Sermon Randy Roberts
Always With Me
Jacob: Rich Man, Poor Man, Beggar Man, Thief (part 8 of 9)

Hymn of Response William Kirkpatrick
Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Closing Prayer Randy Roberts

Postlude Gilbert M. Martin
Festival Toccata
(Please maintain reverence during the postlude)

Craig Mohr, conductor, Sanctuary Brass
 Aimee Leukert, conductor, Junior Choir Kristian Leukert, chorister
 Karis Boling, Gilbert Hernandez, producers Kimo Smith, organist

¹First Service ²Second Service

^{*}Lamb's offering for the 4th quarter goes to Outreach (UReach).

BAPTISMS



Michael Duffie would like to commit his life to serving Jesus and publicly declare this commitment through baptism. He has been active in Sabbath School Leadership, is in 9th grade

at LLA, and enjoys computer gaming and sports.



Jaden Klainyein has chosen to be baptized because he wants to accept Jesus as his personal savior and commit his life to him. He is thirteen years old and in 9th grade at LLA, enjoys

playing piano, and swimming.

November 9

9:00 & 11:45 A.M.

Vespers

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4:30 P.M.



Church Life

Offering today: LLUC building fund. Next week: local church budget. All loose and undesignated offerings are applied to church budget. You may give online by visiting lluc.org.

The center floral arrangement is given in memory of David B. Hinshaw Sr. from his niece Teresa Andersen Boyko and Mike Boyko.

There will be a memorial service for Verlaine Racine at the Redlands SDA Church on November 16, at 4:00 p.m.

ReGifting Sermon Series: A cultural practice to dispose of an unwanted gift is termed regifting. Regifting is a particularly appealing practice at Christmastime. Ironically, the whole discipleship journey with Jesus is actually built on the concept of regifting. Jesus said to his disciples in Matthew 10:8: "Freely you have received; freely give." This Christmas, regift the best gifts you've ever received! If you take up that challenge, a surprise is in store for you. Join us November 30 through December 28 for the series *ReGifting*.

The Giving Season is upon us! The months of November and December mark a time of giving for the LLUC building program with Sabbath, December 21, as our special giving date. Please prayerfully consider a year-end donation that will help meet our great financial commitments. Our goal this season is to raise \$1.3 million. The pastoral staff would like to thank all the generous donors of this church family as *We Build for His Kingdom!*

Community Life

Free Educational Medicare Seminars: Learn more about your Medicare benefits and how you can make Loma Linda University Health (LLUH) your primary health care provider. For information, call 855-LLU-CARE (855-558-2273).

"Fast Food Genocide: The High Price of Processed Foods" is a presentation in the Wil Alexander Wholeness series. Joel Fuhrman will be speaking on November 20 in the LLUC sanctuary at 5 p.m. For more information go to lluc.edu/waws.

Inspiration Tour! If you want to see the new building a little early, while still an active construction site, then join a small 30-minute tour on Sabbath, November 16, immediately following 2nd service. Small group tours will be led by pastors, leaders, and reps from our partners at Layton Construction. Floor and stair surfaces are smooth and unobstructed. Flat, closed toe shoes only.

Heritage Singers Concert: Known and loved all over the world, these singers will thrill your hearts with their powerful testimony and unique vocal sound. The concert will be November 30 at 4:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The Bible in Asia Minor: Turkey and Greece: Join this amazing exploration of Biblical and cultural history in Asia Minor. The tour will be August 31 to September 22, 2020. For information or to register, go to lluc.org, click "trips" on the homepage to view details. For additional questions, contact Shirley Gregg at shirley4u2@gmail.com.

LLA Fall Admissions Tours 2019 for Prospective Students Grades TK-12: Parents and students will have the opportunity to tour the campus, meet the principals, learn more about financial aid, ask questions, and receive a FREE application waiver (\$175 value) on Thursday, November 14, at 5:30 p.m. Most importantly, visitors will be able to discover the incredible impact that a Christian education at LLA can provide. To RSVP, visit lla.org/rsvp, or call (909)796-0161, option 1, or admissions@lla.org.

The Katinas: A Christmas Celebration: This will be an inspirational night of worship and celebration featuring special guests Loma Linda Academy Pro Musica. All proceeds benefit the Samoa 2020 Students for International Mission Service mission trip in partnership with the Katinas and Love Squared. It will be held in the LLUC sanctuary on Thursday, December 5, at 7 p.m. For tickets, go to katinas.eventbrite.com.

Financial Corner

