
September 25, 2011

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Westside Morning Services – 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. – John Adams Middle School

Parking

- **Street parking** is available on Pearl, 16th and 17th Streets, and in the surrounding neighborhood (meters are free on Sundays).
- **Family and Handicapped parking** is in a lot off 17th Street.
- **Additional parking** is available to all in a lot off Pearl Street, between 17th and 20th Streets.

Families

- **Parents with young children**, two rooms with a video feed and changing table are across from the auditorium. Follow the signs.
- **Children's Ministry:**
 - Ages 0-2* check-in at the playground by the family parking lot.
 - Ages 3 and older* check-in is near the auditorium. Follow the signs.

Hospitality

- **Coffee and donuts** will be served on the lawn outside the auditorium.
- **To learn more** about Pacific Crossroads, visit our **Welcome Center** in the hospitality area.

Downtown Evening Service – 5:00 p.m. – St. John's Cathedral

Worship Service and Children's Ministries

*Please silence all cell phones and pagers during the service.
Food and drinks are prohibited in the auditorium. Thank you.*

Reflections

Man ain't supposed to live alone.

Josh Ritter, "See How Man Was Made"

The single most common finding from a half-century's research on life satisfaction, not only from the U.S. but from around the world, is that happiness is best predicted by the breadth and depth of one's social connections.

Robert Putnam, Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community

Living in community made me realize one of my faults: I was addicted to myself. All I thought about was myself. The only thing I really cared about was myself. I had very little concept of love, altruism, or sacrifice. I discovered that my mind is like a radio that picks up only one station, the one that plays me: K-DON, all Don, all the time.

Donald Miller, Blue Like Jazz

Not what a man is in himself as a Christian, his spirituality and piety, constitutes the basis of our community. What determines our brotherhood is what that man is by reason of Christ. Our community with one another consists solely in what Christ has done to both of us.... The more genuine and the deeper our community becomes, the more will everything else between us recede, the more clearly and purely will Jesus Christ and his work become the one and only thing that is vital between us.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Life Together

American religion is a welter of contradictions. American Boomers want community, but on strictly individual terms. They want human closeness without feeling cramped or obligated. They want a personal God who doesn't ask much personally. They want mystery, but in a controlled, non-disruptive way. They want a faith that's fulfilling, practical, earthy, tolerant, transcendent, fun, empowering, morally serious without being morally demanding, a faith that restores wonder and deepens intimacy, and they want it not to cost too much or take up too much time.

Mark Buchanan, "We're All Syncretists Now"

You cannot deal with a perfect, all-loving, all-forgiving, all-understanding God in heaven if you cannot deal with a less-than-perfect, less-than-forgiving, and less-than-understanding community here on earth. You cannot pretend to be dealing with an invisible God if you refuse to deal with a visible family. Concrete community is a nonnegotiable element within the spiritual quest because, precisely, we are Christians, not simply theists. God is not just in heaven, God is also on earth. Part of the very essence of Christianity is to be together in a concrete community, with all the real human faults that are there and the tensions that this will bring.

Ronald Rolbeiser, The Holy Longing

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Prelude

Song of Preparation

Love the Lord

Words and Music: Lincoln Brewster

Love the Lord your God
With all your heart, with all your soul
With all your mind and with all your strength (2x)

Chorus 1 With all your heart, with all your soul
 With all your mind, with all your strength
 Love the Lord your God
 With all your heart, with all your soul
 With all your mind and with all your strength

I will serve the Lord
With all my heart, with all my soul
With all my mind and with all my strength (2x)

Chorus 2 With all my heart, with all my soul
 With all my mind, with all my strength
 I will serve the Lord
 With all my heart, with all my soul
 With all my mind and with all my strength

Bridge I will love You (I will love You)
 I will praise You (I will praise You)
 I will serve You (I will serve You)
 I will trust You, Lord (I will trust You)

Chorus 2

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God Calls Us to Worship – Psalm 100:1-3 – *Joe White*

Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
Worship the LORD with gladness;
Come before Him with joyful songs.

All: Know that the LORD is God.
It is He who made us, and we are His;
We are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

Songs of Praise

Freedom Reigns

Words and Music: Michael Larson

Where the Spirit of the Lord is
There is freedom (2x)

Lift your eyes to heaven
There is freedom (2x)

Chorus 1 Freedom reigns in this place
Showers of mercy and grace
Falling on every face
There is freedom

If you're tired and thirsty
There is freedom (2x)

Give your all to Jesus
There is freedom (2x)

Chorus 2 Jesus reigns in this place
Showers of mercy and grace
Falling on every face
There is freedom

Bridge Great is Thy faithfulness (3x)
O God

Dwelling Place (Psalm 90)

Words and Music: Chris Weldon

You have been our dwelling place
You have been a tower of strength
Through each generation You've been
Our home

Chorus Before the mountains were born
You've been our God
Before the world and the earth
You loved us

Jesus be a dwelling place
For the ones calling Your name
In our generation, Jesus
A home

Chorus

Bridge Be our God
Be our home
You are holy and enthroned
Come dwell with us

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Scripture Reading – Colossians 3:12-16

¹²Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

Song of Response

How Great Thou Art

Words and Music: Carl G. Bober, R.J. Hughes and Stuart K. Hines

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Chorus Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art! (2x)

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

Chorus

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,
And there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

Chorus

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Community Groups at Pacific Crossroads – *Marshall Brown*

Offerings of the People

The offering is a way for Christians to support the mission and ministry of the church. Christians offer a sacrificial portion of their resources—time, talents, possessions—as an act of faith and gratitude in response to God’s grace. If you are a guest we are glad you are here today. Please feel no obligation to give.

Scripture Reading – Philemon

¹Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our beloved fellow worker ²and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, ⁵because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints, ⁶and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. ⁷For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you.

⁸Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required, ⁹yet for love's sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus—¹⁰I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. ¹¹(Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) ¹²I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. ¹³I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own accord. ¹⁵For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a bondservant but more than a bondservant, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.

²¹Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say. ²²At the same time, prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping that through your prayers I will be graciously given to you.

²³Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings to you, ²⁴and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow workers.

²⁵The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Sermon

What is Real Community Supposed to Look Like?

Rankin Wilbourne

The Lord's Supper (9:00 a.m. only)

Why do we come forward together?

Because we are all members of one body in Jesus Christ. In coming forward for the Supper together, we see and participate in the visible display of this truth.

Can someone pray for me?

Yes! People who desire to pray with and for you will be wearing name tags and standing in the front and back of the auditorium. All prayer requests will remain confidential. Also, if you would like to learn more about Jesus, they're available to talk with you.

What if I'm not a Christian?

We are glad you're here. Consider using this time to reflect on your experience today. If you're looking for God, He is near. Take some time to pray to Him. Use your own words or one of the prayers printed below.

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth. Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth and the life. Please guide me, teach me and open me to the reality of who You are.

Prayer for Belief. Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through You I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. Thank You for paying my debt on the cross and offering me complete forgiveness. Knowing that You have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive You as my Savior and Lord.

How do I take the Lord's Supper?

To receive the Lord's Supper, follow the ushers' direction to come by row to one of the stations at the front or back of the auditorium. Please raise your seat as you stand up to allow others to pass by.

Take a piece of unleavened bread and dip it into the cup. You may then eat the bread or wait until you return to your seat.

If you are not able to partake because of food allergies, please let us know by emailing Hannab@pacificcrossroads.org, as we would love to be able to accommodate you.

Songs of Celebration

Jesus, With Thy Church Abide

Words: Thomas B. Pollock; Music: Christopher Miner

Jesus, with Thy church abide,
Be her Savior, Lord, and Guide,
While on earth her faith is tried:
We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

Keep her life and doctrine pure,
Grant her patience to endure,
Trusting in Thy promise sure:
We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

May she guide the poor and blind,
Seek the lost until she find,
And the broken-hearted bind:
We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

Raise her to her calling high,
Let the nations far and nigh
Hear Thy heralds' warning cry:
We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

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Narrow Road

Words and Music: Braden Lang

We walk on this narrow road
Now restored as one we walk in Your hope
And though darkness fills our path
Fear won't fix its hold on us for we know

Love will shine before us on our path
And guide our every step within the dark

We bear tidings of Your hope
Freedom from the sinner's plight through Your love
Our eyes set upon this task
Truth in hand as one we walk, we advance

Love will shine before us on our path
And guide our every step within the dark
To know You is our only cry
Knowing You our only cry

Chorus So Lord here we are with humbled hearts
 To see Your will be done
 Let love shape us to Your own design
 To bear our Maker's sign

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God Sends Us Out – *Rankin Wilbourne*

Today: Join us at the Community Group Fair for refreshments after the service. Representatives from each of our Community Groups will be available to connect you to the group that's right for you. To learn more about Community Groups, see p. 16.

Want prayer? Our prayer team is available to pray with you after the service at the front of the auditorium. All requests are kept confidential.

Welcome Center: If you would like more information about our church, please visit the Welcome Center in the hospitality area.

Ministry Contacts

If you have a question or a need, we are here to serve you.

[financial or mercy needs]	mercy@pacificcrossroads.org
[contact a pastor]	pastors@pacificcrossroads.org
[community groups]	community@pacificcrossroads.org
[children's ministry]	children@pacificcrossroads.org
[counseling need or question]	counseling@pacificcrossroads.org
[global missions opportunities]	missions@pacificcrossroads.org
[local service opportunities]	hopeforla@pacificcrossroads.org
[worship team]	worship@pacificcrossroads.org
[meals ministry]	meals@pacificcrossroads.org
[general inquiries]	info@pacificcrossroads.org

To learn about our ministries, please visit www.PacificCrossroads.org/Ministries.

Musicians

Leo Budirahardjo – bass

Alex Rhodes Fleeman – vocals

William Gramling – keyboard

Sean Halley – electric guitar

Wendy Leung – vocals

Audrey Salmon – violin

Gavin Salmon – drums

Chris Weldon – vocals/keyboard

Announcements

Launch Groups start at the beginning of October. If you're new to Crossroads or haven't found a Community Group yet, consider one of our Launch Groups. These groups will meet for just 6 weeks and then serve as the foundation for new Community Groups. All Launch members have something in common – they're all new to the group. See p. 16 for the complete list of Launch Groups. You can also visit the Launch Group table at the fair after the service today.

Fall Retreat: Saturday passes are still available. These passes include three meals and all activities for Saturday, October 15th. All overnight spots have been filled. Visit www.PacificCrossroads.org/Retreat to sign up.

Consider the 9:00 a.m. service. Do you have trouble finding a parking spot or seat at the 11:00 a.m. service? Consider attending the 9:00 a.m. service where more parking and seating is available. Also, if you regularly attend the 11:00 a.m. service, one way to make space for visitors is to attend the earlier service.

Register for the Pre-Marriage Seminar, this Saturday, October 1st, 8:50 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Dating, engaged and newlywed couples are invited to this interactive seminar featuring Bible-based teachings on marriage. This seminar is required if you wish to be married by a Crossroads pastor. To register and for more info, visit www.PacificCrossroads.org/Pre-Marriage.

Today: RUF Kick-Off BBQ. Are you a UCLA student looking to connect to a campus ministry? RUF is a gospel-centered Christian group at UCLA that is supported by Pacific Crossroads. Join us this evening at 5:00 p.m. for a BBQ at Sunset Rec (on campus). We'll be by the picnic tables. Look for the yellow RUF T-shirts. For more info, email Joe.White@ruf.org or visit www.RUFLosAngeles.com.

Party in Pasadena: If you live in Pasadena and would like to connect to others who live in your neighborhood, come to a cookout on Saturday, October 8th, 12:00-2:00 p.m., at Francis Su's house. To RSVP, email Sarah Kim at sarahkim@alum.mit.edu.

Party in Hollywood/Echo Park: If you live in the Hollywood or Echo Park area, come out to Elysian Park on Saturday, October 8th, 12:00-2:00 p.m., for a cookout with others who live in the neighborhood. To RSVP, email Kelly Newburg at kmnewburg@gmail.com.

Newcomers' Brunch next month: If you have been attending Crossroads for 6 months or less, join us for a brunch after the 9:00 a.m. service on Sunday, October 9th, in the cafeteria (look for the signs). This is a great opportunity to meet members of our staff and learn more about the church.

Membership Seminar next month: If you're interested in becoming a member of our church, or would like to learn more about our history and beliefs, join us for the next membership seminar on Saturday, October 22nd, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at Cornerstone Church West LA (1609 S. Barrington Avenue, Los Angeles, 90025). Childcare provided. To RSVP, and so we can plan for lunch, please visit www.PacificCrossroads.org/Membership.

Women@Crossroads Brunch: Join us Saturday, October 8th, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., for a casual potluck brunch to connect with women and grow in our faith together. This month's brunch features a discussion time addressing a variety of issues that women face living in Los Angeles, including spiritual maturity, singleness, marriage, and parenting. We will meet at the home of Julie Chung in Santa Monica. Please consider bringing your favorite brunch item to share. To RSVP and for the location, email jenniferannwallace@gmail.com.

Topanga Prayer Gathering: Do you live in the Topanga Canyon area? Join the Topanga House of Prayer Group on Wednesday nights, 7:00-9:30 p.m. Every week, this group gets together to share a meal and spend time in prayer. For more info, email Robbye at robbye.schroeder@gmail.com.

Save the Date: Marriage Morning, October 29th, 8:50 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Offered several times a year, Marriage Mornings are marriage-building workshops designed to provide practical tools and encouragement to couples in our community. Registration will begin soon. For more information, email marriage@pacificcrossroads.org.

Want to meet new people? Helping out with our Sunday services is a great way to meet people and serve our community. There are many ways to serve, including the Ushering, Connection (welcoming), and Book Table teams. Contact Alex Scott at serve@pacificcrossroads.org.

Would you like to work with kids at Crossroads this fall? Email Patti@pacificcrossroads.org.

Global Missions & Prayer

Informational Gathering: Church Planting in Cambodia. In 2012, Albert and Tina Shim will be joining a church-planting team in Phnom Penh. On Saturday, October 2nd, 1:00-2:30 p.m., come hear about the work that is being done and how you can partner with them as they go. A luncheon will be provided. For the location and to RSVP, email sendtheshims@gmail.com.

Partner Update: Tokyo, Japan. Less than 1% of Japanese nationals know Christ as their Savior. Grace City Church is part of a church-planting movement committed to reaching the city of Tokyo and the nation for Christ. Please pray for Crossroads mission partner Seima Aoyagi and his team as they continue with relief efforts in northern Japan and seek to plant a church in a village they have "adopted."

Canceled: Prayer Gathering on Wednesday, September 28th. We will resume Wednesday, October 12th, 6:50-8:00 a.m. Email Kimberly@pacificcrossroads.org for more info.

The 2011-12 *Thy Kingdom Come Prayer Book* is available at the Welcome Center. This week's prayer focus is: **Campus Ministry in East Asia.** *Ken* and *Jane* (pseudonyms) were both born in East Asia and raised under atheist ideologies, but in college they came to faith in Christ through campus ministries. Now they are regional directors of a campus ministry in East Asia. Please pray that God will use their group to reach students in a country that is hostile to the gospel.

Hope for LA

*Hope for Los Angeles (HFLA) mobilizes volunteers to serve the poor and marginalized in Los Angeles through partnerships with community organizations. Stop by the Welcome Center after the service if you would like a recent newsletter and a complete list of our ministry partners. Also, **check out our new website at www.HopeForLA.org.***

TODAY & Sunday, 10/2 – Loving the Wise (3:00 - 4:00 pm)

Love and encourage the elderly residents of Santa Monica Convalescent Center, at 2250 29th Street in Santa Monica, by participating in a worship service. Contact Kathy at Lovinkat427@yahoo.com.

Tuesday - Thursday, 9/27 - 9/29 – Tutor At-Risk Youth (3:00 - 5:30 pm)

Read, do arts & crafts, play sports, and lead a Bible lesson with middle school students on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday afternoon at S.A.Y. Yes!, a youth development organization. Contact Dan at Dljeung@gmail.com.

Thursday, 9/29 & 10/6 – Mentor Foster Teens (7:00 - 9:00 pm)

Volunteers are needed to help out at the youth club night of Impacting Hearts, a foster teen ministry in Inglewood. The night consists of playing games, eating dinner, befriending teens and hearing a gospel message. Contact Amy at Amymichellehoe@yahoo.com.

Friday, 9/30 – Ice Cream Outreach (7:30 - 10:00 pm)

Serve ice cream and encourage residents of Samoshel homeless shelter at 505 Olympic Blvd. in Santa Monica. If you can make brownies, please bring them. Contact Allen at Allen@pacificcrossroads.org.

Friday, 10/7 – Prep Breakfast Downtown (5:45 - 8:30 am)

Prepare and serve breakfast at Union Rescue Mission, a shelter that provides food and recovery programs for people on Skid Row. Contact Betty at bettylam.hope@gmail.com.

Friday, 10/7 – Cook Dinner for Youth (7:45 - 10:00 pm)

Cook dinner for kids at the OASIS of Hollywood, which provides a safe place for at-risk youth to dance, socialize and hear a message of hope. Contact Mark Howard at Markromedia@earthlink.net.

Saturday, 10/8 – Reading to Kids (9:00 am - 12:00 pm)

Volunteers are needed to read aloud to small groups of children from low-income and ESL families at Politi Elementary in Koreatown. Simple online signups are required at www.ReadingToKids.org. Contact John at Jchen514@gmail.com.

Saturday, 10/8 – Serve Dinner at PATH

Cook, serve and talk with men and women at PATH (People Assisting the Homeless).

- *PATH Silver Lake* (3:00 - 6:45 pm) – Contact Joan at servepathsilverlake@yahoo.com.
- *PATH West LA* (4:30 - 7:00 pm) – Contact Nate at Heyyonate@gmail.com.

Sunday, 10/9 – Adoption and Foster Care Info Lunch (12:30 - 2:00 pm)

LA has the largest foster care system in the country. Come hear about the needs in our city and how you can be involved through adoption. Child SHARE, a Christian organization that helps parents through the adoption process, will be presenting and answering questions. To RSVP or for more info, contact Robbye at robbye.schroeder@gmail.com.

Community Groups

Community Groups are weekly gatherings in homes and offices around Los Angeles where people meet to know one another, pray, read the Bible and serve our neighbors by promoting justice in our city. To get a list of all our Community Groups, visit the info table at the Community Group Fair after the service, or utilize our interactive map: www.PacificCrossroads.org/Community.

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Launch Groups

Where?	Who?	When?	Contact	Email
Downtown	All	W, 7:30 p.m.	Lucy Yang	LucyLily2@gmail.com
Koreatown	All	W, 7:30 p.m.	Tim Olshefski	TimOlshefski@yahoo.com
Malibu	All	T, 6:00 p.m.	Alis Sokolova	Alis.Sokolova@pepperdine.edu
Mid-City	All	T, 7:30 p.m.	Kristen Yi	KristenYi@gmail.com
Mid-City	All	T, 7:30 p.m.	Matt Godfrey	MatthewJGodfrey@gmail.com
Mid-City	See below*	W, 8:00 p.m.	Rankin Wilbourne	Hannah@pacificcrossroads.org
Pasadena	All	Th, 8:00 p.m.	Jeff Still	JefStill@yahoo.com
Santa Monica	Men	W, 7:30 p.m.	Jeff Little	JeffreyRobertLittle@gmail.com
Valley	Couples	T, 8:00 p.m.	Jenny Smith	JenniferErinSmith@gmail.com
West LA North	All	M, 7:00 p.m.	Nick Garcia	NJGarcia@gmail.com
West LA South	Moms	W, 9:00 a.m.	Margaret Caldwell	Caldwell.Margaret@gmail.com
West LA South	All	T, 8:00 p.m.	Stephen Sharratt	S.Sharratt@gmail.com

***Who is Jesus? Why did He come? What does it mean to follow Him?** This group, led by Rankin Wilbourne, is open to all who are investigating the claims of Christianity. For info, please contact Hannah Franklin, Rankin's assistant, at Hannah@pacificcrossroads.org.

If you have questions, please email community@pacificcrossroads.org or call 310.551.0081.