

## Church Calendar

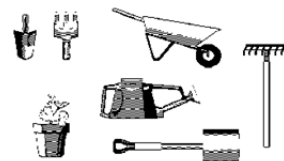
### Weekly

**Worship Service:** Sundays 11:00 a.m.  
**Church School:** Sundays 11:00 a.m.  
**Children's Library:** Every Sunday  
**Women's Bible Study:** Fridays 10:00 a.m. to Noon

### Monthly

**Board of Deacons Meeting:** First Sunday of the month, 12:30 p.m.  
**Women's Christian Fellowship Meeting:** Second Sunday of the month, 12:30 p.m.  
**Board of Trustees Meeting:** Third Sunday of the month, 12:30 p.m.

### SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY



Saturday, June 8, 2019  
 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m

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## IMPORTANT DATES

May 12<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day Banquet  
 June 16<sup>th</sup> Father's Day Luncheon



### ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY LUNCHEON

Sunday, June 16, 2019  
 12:30 p.m.

The Rev. Dr. Vahan H. Tootikian Hall  
 26210 W. Twelve Mile Road  
 Southfield, MI 48034  
 248-352-0680

Tickets: Adults \$15  
 Children ages 6-12 \$10  
 Under 5 Free

Menu: Kebab, Rice Pilaf, Humus, Salad, Watermelon,  
 and Soft Drinks.

### REMINDERS!



Is your Anniversary, Birthday or Graduation approaching? Why not share your celebration with the Church family by sponsoring the Fellowship Hour or Altar flowers. Please sign up on the bulletin board or call the Church office.

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# The ACC Bulletin

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Dear Members and Friends:

It is with great joy and honor that I thank the Armenian Congregational Church for welcoming me with warm love as their new Pastor. I am truly humbled to accept this calling that the Lord has bestowed upon me to serve this wonderful church that has strived and remained faithful for over one hundred years.

It has been a month now since I moved from California. Needless to say, it takes time to adjust to a new climate and cultivating new community. I am glad to say that I am starting to get to know the Church individually by spending personal time with them.

It is my prayer and desire to see this Church continue to flourish and blossom both spiritually and in number. My prayer is that we come to know the Lord more intimately than ever before. I believe, more than anything, the Lord wants to have a close

relationship and fellowship with us. He wants to pour out His Spirit on us abundantly. He wants to see broken families restored, sick people be healed, and use us as His instruments to proclaim the Gospel to others.

May is a special month because we celebrate Mother's Day on May 12th. The Bible has a beautiful Proverb about what it takes to be a noble wife or mother. As you may have guessed, it is Proverbs 31. Yes this Proverb reminds us of the characteristics of a noble wife or mother. It is a beautiful Proverb that every woman (and for that matter, men too) should read and pray that the Lord will help them become the wife and mother He wants them to be with the integrity and characteristics mentioned in this Proverb. The Proverb sums up with these words:

“Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.

Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.”

The integrity of the world we live in has faded away. We ought to live with the fear of the Lord and strive to please him in all that we do. We are called “Christians” because we belong to Christ. As representatives and ambassadors of Christ, we are called to be the “salt and light” of the world. We cannot live a life of hypocrisy. If we are to be a role model for others, then we need to live with sincere and pure hearts. The Lord will reward those who live righteously and for those who reach out to those in need, whether it be spiritual, emotional support, or physical need.

Prayerfully yours,  
 Pastor Hagop Haroutunian

**ACC GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGES  
THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS**

**Capital Building Fund**

Dr. and Mrs. Kirk and Leslie Banerian  
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**Donation**

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**Armenian Cultural and Heritage**

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**Easter Missions**

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**Mother's Day**

A.C.C. Women's Christian Fellowship

Haig and Dorothy Bayleran

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Rev. and Mrs. Vahan and Rosette Tootikian

**GRADUATES OF 2019**



ACC would like to honor our graduates by publishing their names and degrees in the monthly and weekly bulletins and at the Church on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. Please submit names of your loved ones graduating this year from Elementary School, Middle School, High School, College, Graduate or post Graduate School. Deadline for submission is Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

**EASTER BREAKFAST**



It was so wonderful to see the men and women of our church put such a great effort to prepare such a good breakfast on Easter Sunday. This reminds us of how Jesus, after he had resurrected, went to the Sea of Galilee and prepared a breakfast for them, as mentioned in the Gospel of John, Chapter 21. We also had breakfast together in the presence of the Lord. It was so wonderful to know that Jesus served His disciples breakfast on the shore of the sea. Our men and women also worked so hard to serve us a great meal!

**FUTURE PLANS**

Soon we plan to launch new programs. We will keep you posted once we have updates. This is an exciting season to see God's people blossom and become more connected with Christ with a deeper relationship with Him.

**ARMENIAN GENOCIDE COMMEMORATION  
JOINT SERVICE**



We are so grateful for the joint service we had on April 24<sup>th</sup> at St. Sarkis Armenian Apostolic Church, together with St. John's Armenian Church and St. Vartan Armenian Catholic Church, to commemorate the Armenian Genocide. The unity of these four churches coming together showed that we exist and are strong because we are united with one purpose and that is to proclaim the Gospel to the whole world. As the Armenian Martyrs in 1915 proclaimed the gospel with their lives and their death, we ought to follow in their footsteps to do the same.

**WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**



Special thanks and appreciation to all the ladies of our Women's Christian Fellowship who came together and donated home-made goodies for our Palm Sunday Bake Sale. It was a huge success! We hope everyone enjoyed their purchases over the Easter holiday, sharing them with your family and friends.

Carole Basmadjian, President, WCF

**EARLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CLASS**



Christopher, Colette, Mark Shant, Allison, Aaron and Tyler

We had a great Sunday School year. Looking forward to seeing everyone back in the Fall. The Sunday School Staff thanks all the teachers and the parents for their support.

**Easter Church Service**

