Armenian Congregational Church of Greater Detroit 26210 W. 12 Mile Road ~ Southfield, MI 48034] Telephone: (248) 352-0680; Fax (248) 352-5568 Mr. Matthew DeRaad, Organist-Choir Director The Rev. Makarios Darawi -Pastor

11:00 A.M.

November 6, 2005

ORDER OF WORSHIP

ORGAN PRELUDE CHIMES AND LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMNS - # 8 "Holy, Holy, Holy" # 150 "Crown Him With Many Crowns" (vs. 1,2,3) *RESPONSIVE READING - # 321 "God And Youth "

UNISON: It is wonderful thing to be alive!

If a person lives to be very old, let him rejoice in every day Of life

But let him also remember that eternity is far longer, and that Everything down here is futile in comparison.

Young man, it's wonderful to be young! Enjoy every minute of

it!

Do all you want to; take in everything, but realize that you

must

Account to God for everything you do.

So banish grief and pain, but remember that youth, with a

whole

Life before it, can make serious mistakes.

Ecclesiastes 117-10

*INVOCATION *THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

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ANTHEM GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY PASTORAL PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND SOLO *DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 7:1-6 (Page1505) ARMENIAN SERMON: "Judge Not...." *HYMN # 143 "All Creatures Of Our God And King" (vs.1&5) *HYMN #281 "This Is My Father's World" (vs.1&2) ENGLISH SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Samuel 24 (Page514) ENGLISH SERMON: "Brussels Sprouts and Beer" *HAYR MER - #133 *BENEDICTION *CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Park K²ez D²er, Asdvadz M²er QUIET MEDITATION ORGAN POSTLUDE

> * Congregation is requested to stand *** Latecomers may be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE WELCOME ALL WHO ARE WORSHIPING WITH US, especially guests. We extend a very cordial welcome to newcomers to take part in worship, to engage in the activities of the Church and make this your Church home.

THE CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held today November 6th, 2005, following the Morning Worship Service.

THE INSTALLATION SERVICE for Rev. Makarios Darawi will be on November 13th, 2005 during the normal Sunday morning worship hour. It will be followed by a complementary luncheon in the church social hall.

CHURCH JOYS AND CONCERNS. Please continue to pray for Florence Varbedian.

PRAYER TIME. Come join us every third Sunday of the month for a prayer time right here in the sanctuary immediately following the Sunday Morning Worship.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS THROUGH THE A.C.C. BULLETIN. The December issue of our A.C.C. Bulletin will be a Christmas issue. Once again, as in the past, we offer you the opportunity to send your Christmas greetings to all the church members and friends – in and out of town – by making a contribution to our mission program. *Please submit your name and donation to Frances Garabedian, no later than November 20, 2005.*

CHRISTMAS JOY PACKAGES. Bring Christmas Joy to Children of Armenia, Karabagh & Georgia through the AMAA'S Armenian Summer Camp/Christmas Committee. Forms are available in the entrance of the hallway. Please return the forms to the church office, or Florence Garabedian.

A STEWARDSHIP LETTER prepared by chairman Rodney Keteyian with a pledge card & return envelope was mailed to the members and friends of our church to seek support for the year 2006. Please return your envelopes to church no later than Sunday, November 20, 2005.

A.C.C. WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP will meet today November 6, 2005 following fellowship hour to elect their new officer's and to discuss installation luncheon. We encourage all ladies to attend.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ARMENIAN MESSAGE

(Matthew 7:1-6)

"Judge not, that you be not judged." If there is a Scripture verse that non-Christians know very well, and often use against Christians, it is this verse. But, unfortunately Christians and non-Christians misuse and misunderstand this verse. So then, what was Jesus saying in these verses? And how are we to understand his words? The key to understanding Jesus' words in this passage is found in Matthew 5:20. Jesus was not prohibiting all judging, but he was warning them against having a harsh critical spirit. **Do not judge (vs.1&2).** Jesus surveying the religious landscape of his time has found that the Pharisees and the Teachers of the Law have become religious judges over the people. They were quick to judge anyone who did not live-up to their expectations. So, Jesus warns against that kind of judging, but he does not say that we are to suspend all moral discernment.

Do not look for a speck of sawdust (vs.3-5). This warning is also related to the way the Pharisees and the Teachers of the Law were judging. They were not only harsh in their judging but also hypocritical. Jesus is warning us here against seeing the smallest mistake or wrong in others while all along ignoring those same mistakes in ourselves.

What are the lessons of these verses?

- Let's not use magnifying glasses to search for mistakes in others.
- Let's not at the same time ignore sin and try to justify it.
- Let's us always remember that we are all sinners saved by grace.