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11:00 A.M.

December 4, 2005

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**ORGAN PRELUDE  
CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*OPENING HYMNS** - # 51 *"All Hail The Power Of Jesus Name"* (vs.1,2,3)  
#148 *"Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing"*

**\*RESPONSIVE READING** – *Please see inserts*

**\*INVOCATION**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**- #295

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**LIGHTING OF THE SECOND ADVENT CANDLE "Jacobs Family"  
ANTHEM**

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**CHORAL RESPONSE**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING**

**\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE READING:** *John 14:27-29 (Page1676)*

**ARMENIAN SERMON:** *"The Candle Of Peace"*

**\*HYMNS** # 168 *"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"* (vs.1, 3&4)  
#29 *"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"*

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE READING:** *Isaiah 40:1-11,28-31(Pages1119-21)*

**ENGLISH SERMON:** *"The Coming Of The Messiah"(part II)*

**\*HAYR MER** - #133

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** *"Park K<sup>2</sup>ez D<sup>2</sup>er, Asdvadz M<sup>2</sup>er*

**QUIET MEDITATION**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

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*\*\*Congregation is requested to stand*

*\*\*\* Latecomers may be seated*

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**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 FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** this morning are given by Mr. & Mrs. Diran and Pat Kochyan, in honor of Patrick's 17<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS.** The Sunday School Christmas program and luncheon will be on Sunday December 11<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 Noon in the Fellowship Hall.

**THE DECEMBER ISSUE OF THE 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 donations to Frances Garabedian, no later than today.

**CHRISTMAS JOY PACKAGES.** Bring Christmas Joy to the 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 Frances Garabedian.

**THE FAMILY CANDELIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE** will be held on Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. After the service, refreshments and desserts will be served by the Women's Fellowship.

**THANK YOU.** Once again a special thank you to Mr. Harold and Mrs. Joyce Gant for donating their valuable time and doing a wonderful job on decorating our Sanctuary.

**THE CHRISTMAS SUNDAY SERVICE** will be held on Sunday December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2005. Let us all come praise and worship together the Incarnate Lord Jesus Christ.

**THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING** will be held on Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

**THE A.C.C. WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEETING** will be held today, following the Fellowship Hour.

**DEDICATION OF THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.** On January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2006 following the Sunday morning worship service, the A.C.C. Fellowship hall will be dedicated in honor of Vahan H. Tootikian.

**CHURCH JOYS AND CONCERNS.** Please continue to pray for Florence Varbedian, and Taline Hagopian.

**Synopsis of the Armenian Message**

(John 14:27-29)

This week I had the experience of witnessing a dying person give their last instructions and wishes to a lawyer to be written in their will. In similar situations the dying person usually wants to make sure that their earthly possessions go to their loved ones, or to whomever they designate it.

Commenting on today's passage, William Macdonald in the Believer's Commentary writes, "Here the Lord Jesus was doing that very thing. However, He did not bequeath material things but something that money could not buy – **peace**, inward **peace** of conscience that arises from a sense of pardoned sin and of reconciliation with God. Christ can give it because He purchased it with His own blood at Calvary."

Today as we light the second candle of Advent, the candle of peace, we reflect on Jesus who brings peace and reconciliation into our lives. In the 1<sup>st</sup> stanza of the Christmas carol, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" we sing, "Glory to the new-born King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!" Jesus came to repair the broken relationship between humankind and God. He came so that once again humankind can have fellowship with God. It is this relationship between Creator and creature that brings real meaningful peace to our lives.

Now the question is, do you have that inner peace that only the "**Prince of Peace**" can give?

**POINSETIAS FOR CHRISTMAS:** If you would like to donate one or more Christmas poinsettias for the church altar, please contact Frances Garabedian. The traditional red Poinsettias are \$15.00 each: Please fill in the form below and hand it over: Deadline is December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

I wish to order Red Poinsettia for the Church Altar( )

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

My \_\_\_\_\_ name \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_

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