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11:00 A.M.

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We welcome all who are worshipping with us, especially guests and newcomers. We invite you to take part in worship, to engage in the activities of the church and make this your home church.

ORGAN PRELUDE

GREETINGS & CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING HYMNS - #51 "All Hail The Power Of Jesus Name" (vv. 1-2)

#54 "There Shall Be Showers Of Blessing" (vv. 1-2)

RESPONSIVE READING- #311 "The Nicene Creed" (In unison)

We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds; God of God; Light of Light; Very God of Very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven; and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Ghost; the Lord and giver of life; who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets.

And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead; and the life of the world to come.

***INVOCATION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER**

SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN: Luke 15: 1-7 (p. 1623)

SERMON IN ARMENIAN: "The Lost Sheep"

***HYMN** - # 96 "I Love To Tell The Story" (vv.1-2)

SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8 (p. 1789)

SERMON IN ENGLISH: "I Love To Tell The Story"

***HYMN** - # 96 "I Love To Tell The Story" (vv.3-4)

COMMUNION

***HAYR MER** - #133

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** "Park K0ez D0er, Asdvadz M0er"

ORGAN POSTLUDE

**Congregation is requested to stand*

**** Latecomers may be seated*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMAA APPEALS FOR HELP. The AMAA is asking all the Armenian Evangelical Churches to pray and consider making financial donations to support our brothers and sisters in Lebanon. If you would like to support the AMAA efforts, please pick-up a form from the lobby.

CHURCH JOYS & CONCERNS. Please pray for the people and the situation in Lebanon. Pray for our Armenian brothers and sisters who are suffering as a result of this conflict. Pray that the upcoming 160th anniversary celebrations of the Armenian Evangelical Church in Armenia will be witness to God's goodness, grace, and salvation to the people of Armenia. Pray for world peace and security. Pray for George Terterian.

FREE BOOKS. The pastor has put some extra copies of books on the table in the fellowship hall entrance. Please help yourselves to however many you like.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ARMENIAN SERMON

(Luke 15:1-7)

In this parable the shepherd is more concerned with the one lost sheep than the ninety-nine that were safe. This speaks of evangelism – reaching and winning the lost to Christ, perhaps the most needed activity in the church. Too many Christians have little concern for the unreached and unsaved.

Vv. 1-2. All types of people came to hear Jesus teach. Many were curious, others had special needs. Christ came not to condemn, but to convert. Self-righteous scribes and Pharisees complained that Jesus ate with sinners. Jesus cleanses from sins.

Vv. 3-6. Who, having one hundred sheep and losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine to seek the one lost sheep? “For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved” (John 3:17). The shepherd rejoices when the lost sheep is found.

Vv. 7. There is rejoicing in heaven when a person accepts Christ. We too as Christians rejoice when people accept Christ. God pardons and changes peoples lives. He makes them a new person in Christ.

As we draw near to God, we will have compassion for the lost. We will be more faithful in witnessing and seeking to win the lost to Christ.