## Mr. Matthew DeRaad, Organist-Choir Director Pastor Makarios Darawi

11:00 A.M.

October 21, 2007

We welcome all who are worshiping 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.

A supervised nursery is available for children age two and under.

ORGAN PRELUDE CALL TO WORSHIP

\*OPENING HYMNS -#46 "I Will Sing Of My Redeemer" (Vv. 1,2,4)

#20 "Sing Them Over Again To Me" (Vv. 1,2,3)

#78 "When We Walk With The Lord" (Vv. 1,3)

#### READING-#335 "Psalm 8"

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet: all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas. O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

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ANTHEM
ANNOUNCEMENTS
JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY
PRAYER
OFFERING

SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN: James 3: 1-12 (P.1883)

MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN: "The Tongue"

**HYMN -** #96 I Love To Tell The Story" (Vv. 1,3,4)

MESSAGE IN ENGLISH: Gideons International – Testimony & Message

\*HAYR MER - #133 \*BENEDICTION

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

**ORGAN POSTLUDE** 

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

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WE WELCOME TODAY** our guest representatives from the *Gideons International*, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Joramstad, and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin L. Hoeksema who are visiting us and will take part in our worship service.

#### THE A.C.C. WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP.

- Will be holding a Cheese Boreg bake sale during the fellowship hour today for their Mission projects in Armenia and Lebanon.
- The business meeting will be held today in the Christian Education Room following the fellowship hour.

**THE FALL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held on Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup> following the Church service. All church members are expected to attend.

#### **CHRISTMAS GIVING**

- Operation Christmas Child. The Sunday School is participating this year in Operation Christmas Child, a ministry started by Franklin Graham that reaches out to poor and under privileged children around the world with the good news of the gospel through gifts packed in shoeboxes. If you would like to participate, or need more information, please see Leslie Banerian or Ann Bayleran.
- <u>Christmas Joy Packages.</u> Bring Christmas joy to children of Armenia, Karabagh & Georgia through the AMAA's Armenian Summer Camp/Christmas Committee. Forms are available in the hallway.

#### **CHURCH JOYS & CONCERNS.**

- Please pray that God will continue opening doors around the world for the ministry of the Gideons International.
- Pray also for the safety of those who distribute Bibles.

# **Kohar Symphony Orchestra and Choir**

There will be two shuttle buses traveling to the October 30<sup>th</sup> KOHAR concert downtown. One will leave from St. Sarkis Church (Dearborn) and the other will leave from the parking lot of the Armenian Congregational Church (Southfield). Both buses will depart at 6:30PM and return back after the concert. Roundtrip bus fares are as follows: \$5.00 for senior citizens, \$10.00 for all other adults and children.

# Armenian Congregational Church 90th Anniversary Banquet

On Sunday, **November 18, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.** the Armenian Congregational Church will celebrate its 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a special banquet that will be held in the Rev. Dr. Vahan H. Tootikian Fellowship Hall located at 26210 W. Twelve Mile Road, Southfield, MI 48037.

We invite you all to come join us as we celebrate this important milestone in the life of our congregation.

Please reserve this date, and look for more details to follow in the mail.

### **Synopsis of the Armenian Message**

In this section of his letter, James discusses the issue of controlling the tongue. We have all heard the old saying, "sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me!" But we also all know that this is not true. James begins by warning those who use their tongues to teach, to not be quick to assume that responsibility because they will be judged more severely. Next he gives some examples to illustrate how the tongue, though a small part of the body, is very difficult to control. Left uncontrolled, the tongue can cause enormous damage and inflict more pain, and hurt than physical pain does. Lastly, we are warned against being inconsistent in our use of our tongues. In our speech we should be careful about one minute praising God, and the next cursing, gossiping etc. This is inconsistent with a Christ-like character.

Friends, this passage call us to watch our speech, and to weigh our words carefully, making sure that we are edifying God and building others up with them.