

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

**11:00 A.M.**

**November 4, 2007**

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

**ORGAN PRELUDE**  
**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*OPENING HYMNS** - #74 "Take My Life, And Let It Be" (Vv. 1,2,4,6)  
# "Shout To The Lord" (Insert)  
# "Step By Step" (Insert)

**INVOCATION**

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**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** - *Nicole Tini and Bailey Kadian*

**ANTHEM**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY**

**PRAYER**

**OFFERING**

**SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN:** *James 4:1-10 (P.1884)*

**MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN:** "Humility vs. Pride"

**HYMN** - #75 "All To Jesus I Surrender" (Vv. 1,2)

**SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH:** *Matthew 25:14-30 (P. 1541)*

**MESSAGE IN ENGLISH:** "The Talents"

**\*HAYR MER** - #133

**\*BENEDICTION**

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

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

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*\*Congregation is requested to stand*

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR AND THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR** this morning is sponsored by Mr. & Mrs. Ed and Phyllis Garabedian in honor of their 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary.

**THE FALL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held today in the sanctuary following the church service. All church members are expected to attend.

**THE A.C.C. WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP** will be holding a Monte bake sale today during the fellowship hour for their Mission project to Armenia and Lebanon.

### **CHRISTMAS GIVING**

- **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 hallway.
- **Volunteering Opportunity** On Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> a group of A.C.C. members will be going to Gleaners Community Food Bank in Howell to help pack boxes of food for the needy families in Michigan. If you would like to volunteer from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, please contact Pastor Mak or the church office. Also please remember that even if you cannot volunteer your time, you can participate by donating canned goods to box in the foyer.

### **CHURCH JOYS & CONCERNS**

- Pray for God's guidance and direction for the congregational meeting.
- Please pray for Marion Artinian, and Sonia Terterian.

## **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 remember that your reservations need to be returned today.**

## Synopsis of the Armenian Message

In the previous section (13:13-17), James contrasted two kinds of wisdom, worldly and heavenly. In this section, he continues with that theme and points out that this worldly wisdom (here in verse 4 he calls it friendship with the world) is in opposition to God. Those who choose love and friendship with the world become enemies of God. This friendship with the world is characterized by pride, selfish ambition, craving for pleasure, lust for material possessions, competing against each other, and desires that are always struggling to be satisfied. The result of all this is fights, quarrels, strife, divided and unhappy homes, marriages, and even churches.

What ought people who find themselves in this kind of situation do? **Repent.** In verses 7-10, James gives us some steps for true repentance. **Submit** yourself to God. **Resist** the devil. **Draw** near to God. **Wash** your hands. **Purify** your heart. **Humble** yourself before the Lord.

Friends, let us follow these steps that can help us become friends with God, who in turn will give us His grace to live lives pleasing to Him (heavenly wisdom).