# Pastor Makarios Darawi Mr. John Chance, Pianist – Choir Director

11:00 A.M.

June 8, 2008

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.

PRELUDE CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMNS & SONGS - #8 "Holy, Holy, Holy" (Vv. 1) #26 "To God Be The Glory" (Songbook)

#12 "Step By Step" (Songbook)

**PRAYER** 

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SUNDAY SCHOOL RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

ANTHEM
ANNOUNCEMENTS
JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY
PRAYER
OFFERING

SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN: 1 Peter 5:1-7 (P. 1892)

MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN: "A Word To The Elders And Youth"

\*HYMN - #148 "Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing"

SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH: *Matthew 6:5-14 (P. 1504)*MESSAGE IN ENGLISH: "Put God in His Place"

\*HAYR MER - #133

\*BENEDICTION

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

**POSTLUDE** 

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

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WE WELCOME** today to our pulpit AEYF Eastern Region Youth Pastor Rev. Ara Jizmejian.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS AND THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR** this morning are sponsored by Mr. & Mrs. Aram and Alice Kakousian in honor of their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and in honor of Mr. & Mrs. Levon and Dicranouhie Keshishian's 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**THANK YOU** to the Banerian, Bayleran, and Kadian families for today's luncheon in honor of the new members.

**ACC GROUP PHOTO** there will be church and Sunday School group pictures taken following the 11:00 a.m. church service.

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL.** This year we will be offering a Sunday School class geared towards children ages 2-9 each Sunday between June 22 and Sept. 7. Older students will take turns helping with the class and attending the worship services. So plan on being with us whenever you are in town this summer.

#### ACC ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY PICNIC



On Sunday **June 15**, the church family will gather at Martindale Beach in Kensington Metropark starting at 9:30 a.m. for the Father's Day Picnic. There will be a church service at 10:00 a.m. followed by lunch, games and fun activities. Please add your name to the sheet posted on the bulletin board.

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)**

VBS will be held **June 30 - July 3rd from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** This year we are doing "Outrigger Island." The theme is "Living God's Unshakable Truth" based on Psalm 86:11. Participants will enjoy applicable Bible lessons, fun praise and worship, skits, puppet shows, crafts, games, and snacks. VBS will be geared towards children ages 3-11. For more information please speak to Mrs. Leslie Banerian or Mrs. Ann Bayleran.

### **IOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY.**

- Please pray that God will help our young people remain faithful in their commitment to follow Jesus.
- Pray also for wisdom and guidance on all our graduates.

## Synopsis of the Armenian Message

(I Peter 5:1-7)

In this last section of his letter, Peter concludes with exhortations to elders and young men, and final greetings. He appeals to the elders as a fellow elder. He was a witness of the suffering of the Great Shepherd who following His resurrection appeared to Peter and commissioned him to "feed His lambs and take care of His sheep" (John 21:15-16). Peter exhorts the elders to serve as undershepherds over the flock that belongs to God. They are to serve the flock (1) with willingness because that's what God expects from them. (2) Money and financial gain should not be the motivation for their service. (3) They are to lead by example and not as authoritarian rulers. If the elders serve in this manner they will be rewarded by the Chief Shepherd (Jesus) when He appears.

Next, Peter addresses the young people and commands them to submit to the elders. The elders are leaders in the church who have years of experience in the things of God, and their leadership should be respected for the good and peace of the church. But everybody should act with humility towards one another because God opposes the proud and in His grace and in due time He will lift up the humble. Finally, believers are told to cast all their worries on the Lord because the Lord cares for them. It is very encouraging and freeing to know that the Lord is able and willing to take on our anxieties. This is even more so to a group of believers who were going through strong persecution.

Friends, as we consider these words the message to all of us young and old is clear. (1) We are to serve the church (people of God) willingly, and by example. (2) We are to submit to those who have been called into leadership in the church. (3) Serve with humility. (4) Not to worry, but trust the Lord who cares about us.