## Pastor Makarios Darawi Mr. Darryl Roenicke, Pianist

11:00 A.M.

June 22, 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 - #76 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine" (Vv. 1,2,3) #49 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" (Vv. 1,3,4)

#### RESPONSIVE READING - #370 "A New Heaven And A New Earth"

**PASTOR:** Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth. The first heaven and the

first earth disappeared, and the sea vanished.

PEOPLE: I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of

heaven from God, prepared and ready, like a bride dressed to

meet her husband.

**PASTOR:** I heard a loud voice speaking from the throne: Now God's home is

with men! He will live with them, and they shall be his people. God

himself will be with them, and he will be their God.

PEOPLE: He will wipe away all tears from their eyes. There will be no

more death, no more grief, crying, or pain. The old things have

disappeared.

UNISON: The Lamb who was killed is worthy to receive power, wealth,

wisdom, and strength, honor, glory, and praise! To him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, be praise and honor, glory

and might, for ever and ever! Amen.

**PRAYER** 

**SONG -** #6 "In Christ Alone" (Songbook)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS
JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY
PRAYER
OFFERING

**SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN:** *Micah 1:1-16 (Pp. 1440-42)* 

MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN: "God's Judgment On Judah & Israel"

\*HYMN - #233 "Faith Is The Victory" (Vv.1,3)

**SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH:** *Matthew 24:30,31,36,42 (Pp. 1539-40)* 

MESSAGE IN ENGLISH: "Basic Christian Beliefs - Final Things"

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\*BENEDICTION

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

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

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR** this morning is sponsored by Mr. & Mrs. Dan and Marian Flanagan in honor of their 43<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary.

**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.

#### **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.

#### JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY.

- Pray for Matthew, Marline, and Michael DeRaad; Nella Lommert, and Florence Varbedian.
- **Baptized.** Sharon Nazarova Hakopian was baptized on June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

# Synopsis of the Armenian Message

(Micah 1:1-7)

Today, we start a new message series based on the book of the Minor Prophet, Micah. In the first chapter, the prophet prophesies judgment on Samaria (capital city of the Northern Kingdom of Israel) and Jerusalem (capital city of the Southern Kingdom of Judah). The Sovereign Lord calls on all the people to gather and hear His Judgment against them. The cities of Samaria and Jerusalem were the two centers of worship but had become centers of idolatry. The prophet prophesies that because of their sins Samaria is going to be turned into a "heap of rubble." This was a prophecy that was to come true soon when the Northern Kingdom of Israel will be invaded by the Assyrian army, the land laid waste, and the people taken into captivity to Babylon. In verses 8-9, the prophet says that because of the impending judgment he is going to mourn. Verses 10-16 are a lament describing the invasion of the Assyrian army.

Friends, the worship of the Lord has to be done according to the Lord's own instructions, and bringing honor and glory to Him. In the Old Testament the people were given very clear and precise instruction for how to worship the Lord. In the New Testament, Jesus speaking, to a Samaritan woman in Samaria said, "Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshippers the Father seeks" (John 4:23). When worship of God becomes merely a human exercise, with human motives, and pleasing only to humans, it gets corrupted. God is displeased and His judgment usually follows. Are you worshipping the Lord in spirit and truth?