Pastor Makarios Darawi

11:00 A.M.

August 17, 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.

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMNS & SONGS - #8 "Holy, Holy, Holy" (Vv. 1,2)

#94 "Rejoice, The Lord Is King" (Vv. 1,2)

*RESPONSIVE READING -#354

PASTOR: Lord you have examined me, and you know me. You know

everything I do; from far away you understand all my

thoughts.

PEOPLE: You see me, whether I am working or resting; you know

all my actions. Even before I speak you already know what I will say. You are all around me, on every side; you protect me with your power. Your knowledge of me is overwhelming; it is too deep for me to understand.

PASTOR: Where could I go to escape from your spirit? Where could I get

away from your presence?

PEOPLE: If I went up to heaven you would be there.

PASTOR: If I lay down in the world of the dead, you would be there.

PEOPLE: If I flew away beyond the east, or lived in the farthest

place in the west, you would be there to lead me, you

would be there to help me.

PASTOR: I could ask the darkness to hide me, or the light around me to

turn into night, but even the darkness is not dark for you, and the night is as bright as the day. Darkness and light are the

same to you,

UNISON: Examine me, God, and know my mind; test me, and

discover my thoughts. Find out if there is any deceit in

me, and guide me in the eternal way.

PRAYER

*SONGS - "Dereh Eem Hoveves Eh"

#1 "Blessed Be Your Name" (Songbook)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY OFFERING

SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN: *Micah 4 (Pp. 1444-45)*

MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN: "The Lord Will Rule Over His People"

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

SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH: 2 Samuel 12 (Pp. 487-89)

MESSAGE IN ENGLISH: "David (III)"

*HAYR MER - #133

*BENEDICTION

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

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

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THANK YOU to Ms. Jenny Jacobs for accompanying our worship on the guitar today.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL. This year we are offering a Sunday School class geared towards children ages 2-9 each Sunday between June 22 and Aug. 31. So plan on being with us whenever you are in town this summer.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AUGUST MEETING will be held on Thursday, August 21, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Christian Education Room.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY. Please pray for peace between Georgia and Russia, and in the whole Caucuses region.

Synopsis of the Armenian Message

Chapters 1-3 of Micah were mainly words of rebuke and judgment against Israel and Judah, its rulers and religious leaders. In chapter 4, the prophet looks towards the future when things are going to be as God intended them to be. Verses 1-4 speak of the day when true worship of God will be restored, people from all nations will come to learn about the Lord, and there will be true universal peace. Verses 6-8 speak of the day when the captives will return to Israel and God will rule over them again. Verses 9-13 speak of the immediate future: that Israel will still have to go into captivity before the restoration.

Friends, God's plan for humanity from the beginning was good and God is still committed to it. Sin from the beginning came with its consequences also. Yet sins consequences will not annul God's eternal plan and purpose. God may punish and bring judgment on individuals and nations, but in the end He is always ready to forgive and restore when there is true repentance. The message of Micah chapter 4 is that the best is yet to come. Despite what you see and what is going on in your life and the world around you, be encouraged for God's best is yet to come.