

**Pastor Makarios Darawi**  
**Mr. John Chance, Pianist and Organist**

**11:00 A.M.**

**October 19, 2008**

*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.*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

\*HYMNS & SONGS - #3 "O Worship The King" (Vv. 1,2,5)  
# 84 "Yield Not To Temptation"

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**PRAYER**

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER IN UNISON**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH:** *Ephesians 6:11-18 (P.1824)*

**MESSAGE IN ENGLISH:** "Temptations"

**ANTHEM**

**JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY**

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

**OFFERING**

\*SONG - #27 "Victory In Jesus" (Songbook - Vv. 1,2)

**SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN:** *I Thessalonians 4:13-18 (P. 1840)*

**MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN:** "About Those Who Fall Asleep"

**REMINDERS**

\*HAYR MER - #133

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Park K'ez D'Øer, Asdvadz M'Øer"

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**\*Congregation is requested to stand**

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

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE ACC BY-LAWS AND CONSTITUTION** working session will be held today following the worship service, please remain in the church sanctuary.

**ARMENIAN HERITAGE MONTH.** The ACC and the University of Michigan-Dearborn Armenian Research Center present professor Azat Yeghiazaryan for a lecture on Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Rev. Dr. Vahan H. Tootikian Fellowship Hall.

***HARVEST PARTY***

On Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 p.m. the ACC Children's Ministry is planning a special harvest party for the whole family. Please reserve this date, and come and enjoy delicious food, games, surprise guest, and lots of fun and fellowship. \$5.00 per person. All ages are welcome.

**Please bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the local food bank.**

**THE FALL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held on Sunday November 2<sup>ND</sup> following the Church service. All church members are expected to attend.

**ACYF LOCK-IN** the ACC Youth Fellowship Lock-In will be held on Friday, November 7 through Sunday, November 9, 2008. Youth ages 12-17 are invited to sleepover at the church. AEYF Eastern Region Youth Pastor Ara Jizmejian will be speaking and leading the weekend. Teens, come and bring your friends!

**THE ACC ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER** will be held on Sunday, November 23 at 5:00 p.m. Please reserve this date, and look for more details to follow.

**CHRISTMAS GIVING OPPORTUNITIES:**

1. **Christmas Joy Packages.** Bring Christmas joy to children of Armenia, Karabagh & Georgia through AMAA Armenia Summer Camp Christmas Committee. You can make checks payable to ACC. Forms are available in the hallway.
2. **Operation Christmas Child.** The Sunday School is participating again this year in Operation Christmas Child, a ministry started by Franklin Graham that reaches out to poor and underprivileged 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.

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

Pray for God's guidance and wisdom on today's By-Laws/Constitution working session. Pray also for the upcoming Congregational meeting on Sunday, November 2.

**URGENT APPEAL.** On Sunday, September 28, 2008 a fire destroyed part of the Armenian Evangelical Church in Baghdad, Iraq. Please pray for the church during this difficult time. The church also needs our financial support. For more information please see the bulletin board in the hallway.

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

(I Thessalonians 4:13-18)

In this section of the letter, the apostle Paul addresses an issue that seems to have been a concern of the Thesalonian believers. What will happen to those believers who have fallen asleep? Paul says that there is no need for hopeless grief in regards to those who have died. Why? Because of the resurrection of Jesus, God will bring back to life those who have died believing in Him. "Those who have fallen asleep in him" is important because this whole section is about those who have trusted their lives onto Jesus. Paul adds that the order of these final events when Jesus will return is as follows: (1) there will be a loud and public declaration of the coming of the Lord through the archangel, (2) the Lord Jesus will come, (3) those who have died as believers (the saints) will be resurrected, (4) those believers in Jesus who are living at that time will be united with the resurrected saints and with Jesus, (5) the whole company will go to live with the Lord forever. So he says that we should encourage each other with these facts.

Friends, these verses teach us that, (1) those who die as believers will live again. (2) Even though we grieve for them, we should not grieve like people who have no hope. (3) Our hope is the risen Jesus who guarantees our resurrection. (4) One day we will all live forever in the presence of God. The knowledge of these things should be an encouragement to us and good news that we can use to encourage other believers.