

Pastor Makarios Darawi
Mr. John Chance, Pianist and Organist

11:00 A.M.

November 30, 2008

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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 – #33 *“There Is No Name So Sweet On Earth”* (Vv. 1,2,3)
#170 *“O Come, All Ye Faithful”* (Vv. 1,3,4)

PRAYER

LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE- *Harold & Joyce Gant*

SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH: *Luke1:46-55 (P. 1589)*

MESSAGE IN ENGLISH: *“Mary’s Song Of Joy”*

ANTHEM

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

OFFERING

*HYMN – #39 *“My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less”* (Vv. 1,2)

SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN: *II Thessalonians 3:1-5 (P.1844)*

MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN: *“Pray For Us”*

REMINDERS

*HAYR MER – #133

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *“Park K0ez D0er, Asdvadz M0er”*

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR this morning is sponsored by Dr. & Mrs. Bob and Gayaneh Kachadourian, Mr. & Mrs. Ara and Anahit Kachadourian in memory of father, father-in-law, and grandfather Mr. Tadeos Khanbabaian.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR this morning are given by Mrs. Siroon Karapetoff and family in loving memory of Dianne Niemi who passed away two years ago.

THANK YOU to Mr. & Mrs. Harold and Joyce Gant for beautifully decorating the church for Christmas.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE’S GIVING OPPORTUNITIES:

1. **Christmas Joy Packages.** Bring Christmas joy to children of Armenia, Karabagh & Georgia through AMAA Armenia Summer Camp Christmas Committee.
2. **Change For Children:** Pennies for Kids Campaign is a fund-raiser that supports Grace Centers of Hope’s building of a Childcare Center. Grace Centers of Hope is Oakland County’s oldest and largest human service provider, giving homeless men, women and children the opportunity to rebuild their lives, equipping them to be functioning citizens of society.

ACC YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY Pastor and Mrs. Darawi invite all the ACC youth (11-17 years) for a Christmas party at their house on Friday, December 5th at 6:00 p.m. The evening includes dinner, singing Christmas carols, games, and gift exchange.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS Please join the Sunday School on **December 21st** for this year’s Christmas Program. The program begins after the church service, with a luncheon to follow. All are welcome.

Parents make sure to mark your calendar; the rehearsal for the Christmas program is on **Friday December 19 at 5:00 p.m.** with complimentary pizza dinner.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY. Please pray for God’s comfort on the Karjian family as they mourn the passing of the Rev. Hovhannes Karjian on November 23rd in Pennsylvania. Pray also for the Kalndjian children whose mom passed away last week.

DECEMBER ACC BULLETIN

THE DECEMBER ISSUE OF THE A.C.C. BULLETIN WILL BE A CHRISTMAS ISSUE Once again, as in the past, we offer you the opportunity to send your Christmas greetings to all the church members and friends, in and out of town, by making a contribution to our missions fund. Please submit your name and donation to the church office by **December 7**.

Synopsis of the Armenian Sermon

(II Thessalonians 3:1-5)

In this section of his letter, the apostle Paul is requesting the Thessalonians prayers in three areas: (1) For the quick spread of the message; (2) for the acceptance of the message; (3) for the preservation and the safety of the messengers. The apostle desires to see a swift and effective spread of the gospel in other places as he saw happen with the Thessalonians. The Word had produced marvelous spiritual results with these believers and it is what he wants them to pray for to happen elsewhere. Next he reminds them that the Lord who is faithful will protect them against the evil one (Satan), and that they should continue to do those things that the apostle and his companions had taught them to do. He finishes his words with a short prayer asking that they will love as God loves, and will be steadfast as Christ is steadfast.

Friends, let us also pray for the effective and quick spread of the message, and for the safety of the messengers (pastors, evangelists, missionaries, etc.).

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS: If you would like to donate one or more Christmas poinsettias for the church altar, please contact the church office or place this form in the offering plate. The traditional red poinsettias are \$15.00 each. Please submit the form below when you place your order. Deadline is December 17th.

I wish to order Red Poinsettias for the Church Altar (_____)

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

My name is _____