

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

11:00 A.M.

January 18, 2009

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 – #54 *“There Shall Be Showers Of Blessing”* (Vv. 1,2)
#159 *“Praise Him! Praise Him!”* (Vv. 1,2)

PRAYER

*READING IN UNISON: #309 *“The Lord’s Prayer”*

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in 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 for ever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH: *Luke 2:41-52 (Pp. 1592-93)*

MESSAGE IN ENGLISH: **“Jesus At His Father’s House”**

ANTHEM

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

OFFERING

*HYMN – #22 *“How Great Thou Art”* (Songbook-Vv 1,4)

SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN: *Psalm 8 (P.848)*

MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN: **“How Majestic Is The Name Of The**

Lord”

REMINDERS

*HAYR MER – #133

*BENEDICTION

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

****Congregation is requested to stand***

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held **today** immediately following the morning worship service.

2008 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS. You will soon be receiving your Income Tax receipts for your 2008 church donations in the mail. Please review your receipts, and if any corrections need to be made, please call the church office immediately.

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY will be held during the daytime for the winter months. Beginning **Wednesday January 21st**, the Pastor will lead a verse-by-verse study from the book of John at 10:00 a.m. Everyone who is available is encouraged to come and learn from God’s Word.

PLEASE RESERVE THE FOLLOWING DATE: Friday, February 13, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. for our Family Night. All ages are welcome. Tickets are \$12.00 for adults; \$6.00 for children 6-12 years old; no charge for children under 6 years. Come enjoy delicious food, entertainment, fun and games. Please write your names on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY. Please pray for the safe return of Ani Ashekian daughter of Stephan and Hasmik Ashekian in Windsor. Ani has been missing in Honk Kong since November 10th. Pray also for Lucy Yazejian, Thelma and Ray Jernukian, Maritza Kachadourian (Bob Kachadourian’s Mom), and Dr. Antranig Chalabian.

Synopsis of the Armenian Sermon

(Psalm 8)

This beautiful psalm begins and ends with the shout of praise, "O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name!" This cry of praise acknowledges the greatness and the majesty of God. The writer reflecting on God's creation can only see the work of a great and mighty God. Innocent children with pure hearts and a simple faith praise God, yet sophisticated men debate or deny the existence of God. Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children" (Matthew 11:25). As the psalmist reflects on these things, it makes him wonder about human beings, "What is man that you are mindful of him?" he asks. As the psalmist gazes into the heavens and sees the grandeur of God and His creation, he discovers two things; (1) how little or insignificant human beings are in comparison to the vastness of the universe. (2) How great human beings are as a result of the position that God has bestowed upon us.

It is true that when we realistically think about ourselves, we see that we are like a speck of dust, mortal, temporal human beings. But when we think that the same great and awesome God who made everything, also created us in His own image and likeness and gave us dominion over the rest of the creation, we see how special humans are. The New Testament acknowledges that not everything is subject to man at this time because of sin, but God's degree stands. The one man of whom this is true is Jesus Christ, the perfect man who is triumphant over sin. But the Bible says that all those who by faith have embraced Jesus share His exalted position with Him (Ephesians 1:19 - 2:7).

So, as God's redeemed people we also can join the psalmist and shout with praise, "O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!"