

Pastor Makarios Darawi
Mrs. Susan Harrison, Choir Director and Organist

11:00 A.M.

April 12, 2009

EASTER SUNDAY

CHRIST IS RISEN, HIS RISEN INDEED!

“Kristos Haryav Ee Mèrèlots. Orhnyal Eh Harootyunen Kristosee!”

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.

PRELUDE –

Mrs. Susan Harrison

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMNS – #42 “Christ The Lord Is Risen Today” (Vv. 1,2,3,5)**

#41 “Low, In The Grave He Lay” (Vv. 1,2,3)

***RESPONSIVE READING – 380 “A Litany For Easter”**

PASTOR: Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

PEOPLE: **Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. I know that my Redeemer is living. Our Savior, Jesus Christ, has abolished death, and has brought life and immortality to light.**

PASTOR: I am the resurrection, and the life; he that believes in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever lives and believes in me shall never die.

PEOPLE: **For we know that if the earthly house of ours is dissolved, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.**

PASTOR: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or anguish, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

PEOPLE: **I am persuaded, that neither life, nor death, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord.**

UNISON: **You are the King of glory, O Christ; you are the everlasting Son of the Father. Christ is risen: he is risen indeed. Because he lives, we shall live also. Amen.**

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE ENGLISH: Matthew 28:1-10 (Pp. 1549-50)

MESSAGE IN ENGLISH: “He Is Not Here, He Has Risen”

ANTHEM

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

OFFERING

***HYMN – #195 “He Lives” (Vv. 1,3)**

SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN: Psalm 16:1-11 (Pp. 853-54)

MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN: “Faith and Hope”

REMINDERS

***HAYR MER – #133**

***BENEDICTION**

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

POSTLUDE-

Mrs. Susan Harrison

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER SUNDAY today’s service is a family service. The Sunday school students may worship with their parents in the sanctuary, or be dismissed early to attend a combined class.

MANY THANKS to our youth group (ACYF) and all those who helped with the wonderful Easter Breakfast.

ACC YOUTH. A half-day seminar using DVDs and discussions geared towards high school and college students is being held on Saturday, April 18 from 10:00-1:00 pm. All young people are invited. We will conclude with lunch at the Ram’s Horn Restaurant. Let Pastor Mak know you are coming.

MISSION (AMAA) SUNDAY Come join us on Sunday, April 19, as the AMAA field director, Pastor Dikran Youmshakian brings us the Armenian and English messages during our morning worship service. Later during our Mission Luncheon, he will give an up-to-date report with a video presentation on the work and ministry of the AMAA.

94th ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. A special church service will be held on Friday, April 24 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Sarkis Armenian Apostolic Church in Dearborn to commemorate the 94th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. All are invited.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY. Please continue to pray for Thelma and Ray Jernukian.

Synopsis of Armenian Sermon

(Psalm 16 and Acts 2:25-41)

John Stott, Bible scholar and preacher, writes, "Although this psalm opens with a prayer (*Keep me safe, O God*), it is in reality a believer's testimony regarding both his present faith and his future hope." In verses 1-6, David affirms his faith in God by saying that he has found refuge in God (1). He goes on to explain this to mean that he has turned away from sin and the pleasures of this world to find his good in God. He also finds delight in godly people (2-3). In contrast to the true worshippers of God are those who choose to worship other gods (v.4), they will experience sorrow. As for his personal life, he is at rest with what God has planned for him (5-6). Verses 7-11 David speaks of the future hope he has as a result of his present faith. He starts with praising God (7), and then affirms his trust in Him (8). In verses 9-11, David speaks of his eternal future with confidence and rejoicing. These verses were later used by Peter in his sermon on the Day of Pentecost, "... Brother's, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendents on his throne. Seeing what was ahead, he spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to the grave, nor did his body see decay. God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact. Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear" (Acts 2:25-33).

Friends, Jesus is the resurrected Savior that David spoke of by faith. Today you also can have the same confident assurance that David had about his future. Because Jesus has risen and lives, those who believe in Him will rise and live also.

ACC 2009 YEAR TO DATE BUDGET

Budgeted stewardship and offerings \$77,000.00

Received to date (January - March) \$18,713.96

Shortfall for January - March \$536.02

Monthly needs to meet year-end stewardship budget \$6,416.66

Total year budget \$181,320.00

Received to date (January - March) \$36,152.44