

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

**MOTHER'S DAY**

11:00 A.M.

May 10, 2009

*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.*

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*HYMN & SONG** – #104 *“There Is Beauty All Around”* (Vv. 1,3)  
#18 *“Be Thou My Vision”* (Songbook)

**PRAYER**

**\*RESPONSIVE READING – “Mother’s Day”**

**PASTOR:** A wife of noble character who can find? She is worth far more than rubies.

**PEOPLE:** Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value. She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life.

**PASTOR:** She gets up while it is still dark; she provides food for her family.

**PEOPLE:** She sets about her work vigorously; she opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy.

**PASTOR:** She is clothed with strength and dignity. She speaks with wisdom and faithful instruction is on her tongue.

**PEOPLE:** She watches over the affairs of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children arise and call her blessed.

**PASTOR:** Her husband also, and he praises her: “Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all.”

**PASTOR:** Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.

**UNISON:** Give her the reward she has earned, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

**SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH:** *II Timothy 1:3- 7 (Pp. 1852-53)*

**MESSAGE IN ENGLISH:** “A Living Faith”

**ANTHEM**

**JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY**

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

**OFFERING**

**\*HYMN** – #85 *“Fairest Lord Jesus”* (Vv. 1,2,3)

**SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN:** *II Timothy 1:3-7 (Pp. 1852-53)*

**MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN:** “A Living Faith”

**REMINDERS**

**\*HAYR MER** – #133

**\*BENEDICTION**

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

**POSTLUDE**

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*\*Congregation is requested to stand*

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL MOTHERS.** The Mother's Day Banquet will be held today at 5:00 p.m. in the Rev. Dr. V. H. Tootikian Hall.

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** this morning are given by the ACC Women's Fellowship in honor and memory of all the mothers.

**A SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held next Sunday, **May 17**, following the morning worship service to approve the recently amended By-Laws and Constitution.

**BACKYARD BBQ** The Darawi Family invites you to a Backyard BBQ on Saturday, **May 30 at 4:30 - 8:30 pm.** Join the family for some food, children's activities, basketball, games & fellowship. Please RSVP to Mrs. Jennifer Darawi by May 24th at 248-585-0345. Please bring your own lawn chairs and your choice of a side dish, beverage or dessert.

**SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY**, Saturday, June 6, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. we would like to invite you to join us in sprucing up ACC, having lunch, and enjoying some great fellowship all at the same time. We need help in the following areas: *Pruning Trees, Shrubs and Planting Flowers. Cleaning Church grounds, Balcony, Classrooms, and the Parking Lot.*

**GRADUATION NOTICE.** ACC would like to honor our graduates by publishing their names and degrees in the June monthly bulletin. Please submit names of graduates from Elementary School, Junior High, High School, College, Graduate School, etc. Deadline for submission is May 31.

**ADULTS AND YOUTH**, if you play an instrument -- woodwind, brass or strings -- please speak with Susan Harrison after the morning worship service. It would be wonderful to have you participate either solo, with piano or organ accompaniment, with the choir, or even as an ensemble for a worship service.

**THE ACC FATHER'S DAY PICNIC** will be on Sunday, June 21. The church family will gather at Bay Lodge Park in Waterford starting at 9:30 a.m. There will be a church service at 10:00 a.m. followed by lunch, and fun activities. Please add your name to the sheet posted on the bulletin board.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

VBS will be held on **June 29 – July 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** This year we are doing “Boomerang Express” (Australian Theme). Participants will enjoy applicable Bible lessons, fun praise and worship, skits, puppet shows, crafts, games, and snacks. VBS will be geared towards children ages 3-11. Older students are encouraged to assist with the younger groups. For more information please speak to Leslie Banerian or Ann Bayleran.

**JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY.** Please pray for Hagop Koundakjian (brother of Hovsep Koundakjian), and Hovsep as he travels to Syria to visit Hagop.

**Thelma Jernukian** passed away on Wednesday, May 06, 2009. The ACC extend its heartfelt sympathy to Ray Jernukian and the Jernukian families.

### Synopsis of the Sermon

In this letter from prison to his protégé, the apostle Paul is reminiscing about Timothy and is being reminded of his authentic faith. Timothy, we are told, was not the first in his family to accept Christ as his Lord and Savior and become a convert to Christianity. He was a third generation convert following in the steps of his grandmother Lois and mother Eunice. The connection that Paul makes between the faith of Timothy and his mother and grandmother, seems to clearly suggest that his faith is a result of their nurturing work and influence on his life.

Paul says that a sincere and authentic faith “lived” in Timothy’s grandmother and mother. The faith that these godly women possessed was a true and living faith that now lived in Timothy also. But what does a living faith look like? (1) It is a **Practiced Faith**. Timothy’s grandmother Lois and his mother Eunice practiced and modeled their faith. (2) It is a **Proactive Faith**. Paul is persuaded that the “living” faith of Timothy’s grandmother and mother now lives in Timothy also. A living faith requires initiative, and that you be intentionally involved in teaching your children the basics of the Christian faith. (3) It is a **Praying Faith**. Paul says that he constantly remembers Timothy in his prayers. I am sure that Timothy’s grandmother and mother were constantly praying for him also.

Mothers (and fathers), may God bless you and may He give you a living faith that lives in your children also.