

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

11:00 A.M.

September 20, 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

***HYMNS** – #21 “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” (Vv. 1,2,3)
#22 “How Great Thou Art” (Songbook – Vv. 1,2,3)

***RESPONSIVE READING – 343 “God Is With Us”**

PASTOR: God is our shelter and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble.

PEOPLE: **So we will not be afraid, even if the earth is shaken and mountains fall into the ocean depths; even if the seas roar and rage, and the hills are shaken by the violence.**

PASTOR: There is a river that brings joy to the city of God, to the sacred house of the Most High.

PEOPLE: **God lives in the city, and it will never be destroyed; at early dawn he will come to its help.**

PASTOR: Nations are terrified, kingdoms are shaken; God roars out, and the earth dissolves.

PEOPLE: **The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge!**

PASTOR: Come, see what the Lord has done! See what amazing things he has done on earth!

PEOPLE: **He stops wars all over the world; he breaks bows, destroys spears, and sets shields on fire!**

PASTOR: He says, Stop your fighting, and know that I am God, supreme among the nations, supreme over the world!

UNISON: **The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge!**

PRAYER- “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: Matthew 8:28-34 (P. 1508)

MESSAGE IN ENGLISH: “Jesus Has Authority Over Evil”

ANTHEM - “Angel Voices”

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY
CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER
OFFERING - “Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”

SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN: Genesis 37:42-45, 5:15-21
MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN: “Joseph and His Brothers”

REMINDERS

***HAYR MER – #133**

***BENEDICTION**

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

POSTLUDE

**Congregation is requested to stand*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER TIME. Come join us today immediately following the worship service for a time of prayer right here in the church sanctuary.

THE ACC WOMEN’S FELLOWSHIP BUSINESS MEETING will be held *today* following the fellowship hour in the Christian Education room. We encourage all the ladies to join us.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SEPTEMBER MEETING has been *rescheduled* to Thursday, September 24.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS SEPTEMBER MEETING will be held on Sunday, September 27th following the fellowship hour.

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY. We invite all men and women to join us on Wednesday, September 23, at 7:00 p.m. as we continue to study God’s Word together. Why not join us for the first time?

CLASSICAL MUSIC PRESENTED BY THE ACC WOMEN’S FELLOWSHIP please reserve Friday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m. for a very special evening with the students of Ms. Emma Bagdasarian. To obtain more information please call the church office.

HARVEST PARTY. Mark your calendars for the following night, Friday, October 30, at 6:00 p.m. come enjoy delicious food, fun and games. All ages are welcome.
JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY.

- Continue to pray for Marie Arslanian, Lucy Yazejian, and Herb Jernukian.
- Pray for the political leaders of Armenia as they are set to sign the “Protocols” agreement with Turkey.

Synopsis of the Armenian Message

The story of Joseph and his eleven brothers is a fascinating story. Israel (Jacob), their father, loved Joseph more than the rest of his children (37:3). To show his love and favoritism of Joseph, Israel, has a “richly ornamented” robe made for him. Joseph adds insult to injury when he tells his brothers about a dream he had in which all of them bow down to him. In a second dream not only the brothers but his parents also bow down to him. This seems to be the straw that breaks the camels back. At first opportunity his brothers try to kill him. At the intervention of one of his brothers, they decide to sell him instead to some slave traders who take him to Egypt and sell him to one of Pharaoh’s officials. After some initial setbacks, Joseph, rises all the way to the position of governor of all of Egypt. When a severe famine hits the land, Joseph’s father sends his brothers to Egypt to buy grain. When the brothers come to Egypt they meet Joseph and without recognizing who he is they bow down before him. Joseph at first pretends to be harsh with them but eventually discloses his identity and sends them back to bring their father and the rest of the family to settle down in Egypt. Upon the death of their father, Israel, the brothers come to Joseph concerned that he might seize the opportunity to finally take revenge. But Joseph says to them, “Don’t be afraid. Am I in the place of God? You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives” (50:19-20).

Friends, We don’t know all of God’s plans for our lives, but we know that the sovereign God can bring something good out of the worst of situations. We are to remain faithful and continue to trust Him.