

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

11:00 A.M.

January 31, 2010

*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**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*HYMNS & SONGS** - #54 *"There Shall Be Showers of Blessing (Vv. 1,2,4)*  
#4 *"Here I Am To Worship" (Songbook)*

**\*READING – Colossians 1:15-20; 23**

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rules or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.

**PRAYER**

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**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE & MESSAGE:** Matthew 12:38-50 (P.1516)

**"Jesus, The Only Sign"**

**SANCTUARY CHOIR**

**JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY**

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

**OFFERING**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE & MESSAGE:** Acts 16:6-15 (Pp.1720-21)

**"God's Guidance"**

**REMINDERS**

**\*HAYR MER – #133**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Park K0ez D0er, Asdvadz M0er"**

**POSTLUDE**

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**\*Congregation is requested to stand**

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

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR** this morning is sponsored by Mr. & Mrs. Moses and Maggie Avakian in memory of Maggie's mother Owsanna Takessian.

**THE BOARD OF DEACONS** meeting will be held today following the fellowship hour.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS.** The next Community Groups will be held on Wednesday, February 3, at 7:00 pm. Please join us at the homes of Pastor Mak and Jennifer Darawi, or Bob and Gayaneh Kachadourian.

**SANCTUARY CHOIR.** There will be a Choir rehearsal on Thursday, February 4 at 7:00 p.m.

**ACYF SUPERBOWL PARTY.** All youth are invited to a Superbowl party on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 5 p.m. at the home of Dr. & Mrs. Kirk and Leslie Banerian. Please RSVP with Leslie 248-203-1705 by Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, or sign your name on the Sunday School Bulletin board.

**VARTANATS.** The Greater Detroit Armenian Churches are sponsoring a joint Vartanants observance, on Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church, 29125 Six Mile Road, in Livonia. We invite all of you to join us for this special gathering.

**FAMILY NIGHT.** The ACC Women's Fellowship will be hosting a *Family Night* on Saturday, February 20, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. Come enjoy delicious food, entertainment, fun and games. All ages are welcome. Tickets are \$12.00 for adults; \$6.00 for children 7-12 years old; no charge for children under 6 years. Please write your names on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

**MISSIONS APPEAL.** We ask that you prayerfully consider making a contribution towards helping the people affected by the earthquake in Haiti to provide them with humanitarian aid.

**2009 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS.** You will soon be receiving your Income Tax receipts for your 2009 church donations in the mail. **REMINDERS** Please review your receipts, and if any corrections need to be made, please call the church office immediately.

### **JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY.**

Please pray for Marie Arslanian, Eugene Milewski (Friend of Alice Kakousian).

**In Christian Sympathy.** Mr. Herb Jernukian passed away on Monday, January 25, 2010. May the peace, grace, and comfort of our Lord be with the Jernukian family, their relatives and friends.

**Next Sunday. English:** Matthew 13:1-23 "Sowing The Seed of The Kingdom"

**Armenian:** Acts: 1:16-24 "The Cost of Preaching Christ"

### **Synopsis of the Armenian Message**

As Paul and Silas continue their missionary journey, they experience God's guidance in a "negative" and "positive" ways. Three times God alters their plans. The Holy Spirit prevents them from preaching in the province of Asia, the Spirit of Jesus prevents them from entering Bithynia, and God changes their plans to preach in Troas. Positively, God guides them to go to Macedonia to preach the gospel. It is interesting to notice that Paul and his companions are receptive to God's guidance and when they followed His guidance, God also brought positive results with the conversion of Lydia and her household. It is a good reminder to us that since it is God's mission, God is to be the focus of it, and the One to give direction.

Friends, God sometimes uses "negative" and "positive" guidance to direct our lives also. Sometimes God closes doors that we are trying to open, and opens other doors for us. May we all be as receptive and obedient to God's guidance in our lives as Paul and his companions were.