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

11:00 A.M. May 1, 2011

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 & SONGS – #77 "I Am Thine, O Lord" (Vv.1,2,4) #1 "Blessed Be Your Name" (Songbook)

PRAYER CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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**ENGLISH MESSAGE:** *Ezra 1:1-11 (Pp. 732-33)* 

"The God Who Stirs Hearts and Spirits"

**SANCTUARY CHOIR** 

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

**OFFERING-** *offertory music* 

**ARMENIAN MESSAGE:** *I John 1:1-10 (Pp.1898-99)* 

"Complete Joy"

REMINDERS

\*HAYR MER - #133

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Park K\(\theta\)ez D\(\theta\)er, Asdvadz M\(\theta\)er"
POSTLUDE

# \*Congregation is requested to stand

\*\*\* Latecomers be seated

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** this morning are given by Mr. & Mrs. Haig and Susan Arabian in honor of April's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR** today is sponsored by Mr. & Mrs. Dan and Sandra Haroutunian in honor of Dan's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.** There will be a special Congregational meeting *today* following the morning worship service.

**ACC COUNCIL MEETING.** All Deacons, Trustees and leaders of other ministries are required to attend the ACC Council meeting on Saturday, May 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. please pray for this important meeting.

**E.A.C.H Campaign** check-out <u>www.2WordStory.com</u> for opportunity to volunteer and get involved.

**SCHOLARSHIP.** The A.C.C. provides scholarships through its Educational Fund for fulltime college and university students of the church community. For an application please call the church office.

#### JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

<u>Please pray</u> for Bob Arabian, Redi Abazi (a friend of the Pastor's family), and for Evan Darawi's upcoming sleep study.

MOTHER'S DAY BANQUET
Please join us on <b>NEXT</b> Sunday, May 8 at 11:00 a.m. as we worship our Lord and honor our mothers, and later in the day at 5:00 p.m. for the Mother's Day Dinner.
Please reserve for (Name)
\$25.00 per Adult x=
\$10.00 (Ages 6-15) x=
Free (Under 6 years old) #

### **Armenian Synopsis**

This is the first of the apostle John's three short letters. We are not sure to which church he is writing it to, but his purpose for writing is very clear and the message is as timely for the church today as it was back then.

First, in verse 4, he says that he is writing "to make our joy complete." This joy he is talking about flows out of our fellowship with God. It is the product of a life cleansed from sin by the blood of Jesus Christ. So, John says that if we want to have fellowship with God and dwell in the light of His love, we must face our sins, confess, and be freed from them. Complete joy comes from fellowship with God, and we cannot enjoy such fellowship if we continue to live in sin.

Friends, talk about sin is not very fashionable these days, yet if we are to be faithful to God's Word, we cannot avoid it. Now, is there any sin that is preventing you from knowing the complete joy of the Lord and having a healthy fellowship with Him? If so, pray and ask for God's help to overcome it.