

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

11:00 A.M.

May 15, 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** – #8 “*Holy, Holy, Holy*” (Vv. 1,2,4)  
#66 “*He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought*” (Vv. 1,2)

**READING IN UNISON** – *II Corinthians 5:14-21*

“For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again. So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men’s sins against them. And he is committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: be reconciled to God. God made him who had no sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”

**PRAYER**

\***SONG**- # 33 “*Speak O Lord*” (Songbook- Vv. 1,2,3)

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**ENGLISH MESSAGE:** *Ezra 2:1-70 (Pp.733-35)*

“**Identity Issues**”

**SANCTUARY CHOIR**

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY**

**OFFERING**- *offertory music*

**ARMENIAN MESSAGE:** *I John 2:1-11 (P. 1899)*

“**Follow In His Steps**”

**REMINDERS**

\***HAYR MER** – #133

\***BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: “*Park K'hez D'her, Asdvadz M'her*”**  
**POSTLUDE**

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**\*Congregation is requested to stand**  
\*\*\* Latecomers be seated

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR** this morning is sponsored by Mr. & Mrs. Hovsep and Karine Koundakjian in memory of their parents Antranik and Siran Chalabian.

**THE ACC WOMEN’S FELLOWSHIP** will be holding the May business meeting today following the fellowship hour.

**E.A.C.H INITIATIVE.** Check [www.2WordStory.com](http://www.2WordStory.com) for opportunities to volunteer and to 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.

**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 30.

**ACC CLEAN-UP DAY** is Saturday, **June 11, from 9:00-1:00 p.m.** Join us in sprucing up the ACC grounds, have lunch, and enjoy some great fellowship all at the same time. Helpers of all ages are welcome.

**FATHER’S DAY PICNIC** is on **June 19, 2011**, following the worship service. Come enjoy lunch, games, and fun activities for children and adults alike. Bring your family and friends to join us for a fun day at the church to honor all the fathers.

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR** is your anniversary, birthday or graduation approaching? Why not share your celebration with the church family by sponsoring the Fellowship Hour.

**JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY**

**Please pray** for Bob Arabian, Redi Abazi (a friend of the Pastor’s family), and for Evan Darawi. Check [www.caringbridge.org/visit/evandarawi](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/evandarawi) for updates on Evan’s condition.

**In Christian Sympathy.** *Mrs. Mona Mooradian*, passed away on Monday, May 9, 2011. May the peace, grace and comfort of our Lord be with the Mooradian family, their relatives and friends.

## **Synopsis of Armenian Message**

John's first purpose in writing stated in chapter one was, "to make our joy complete" (1:4). In this chapter he gives us the second purpose, "My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin" (2:1). Yet knowing that as fallen, sinful humans we will sin, he adds that if we sin we need to remember that, "we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense – Jesus Christ, the Righteous One." This is so because Jesus has made atonement (paid for) our sin. We can be sure of this if we know Jesus personally and obey His commands. The test for knowing Jesus is walking in His steps, "whoever claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did" (2:6). Now the practical outworking of this relationship with Jesus is displayed in our relationship with others. Our loving or hating of our brothers and sisters shows weather we are walking in the light or in darkness (2:8-10).

Friends, our talk needs to be backed-up by our walk. How are you doing on obeying God's commands? How are you doing in the area of loving each other?

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