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

11:00 A.M.

July 31, 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- #114 "Praise To the Lord, The Almighty" (Vv. 1,2,3) #18A "Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing (Songbook-Vv.1.3.4)

READING –Isaiah 55:1-3,6-13

"Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in richest of fare. Give ear and come to me; hear me, that your soul may live. I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love promised to David. Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will freely pardon. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the fields will clap their hands. Instead of the thornbush will grow the pine tree, and instead of briers the myrtle will grow. This will be for the Lord's renown, for an everlasting sign, which will not be destroys."

PRAYER

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*SONG - #29 "Give Thanks" (Songbook)

ENGLISH MESSAGE: Ezra 8:1-36 (Pp. 743-45)

"Fully Accounted For"

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY OFFERING- offertory music

ARMENIAN MESSAGE: I John 5:1-12 (P.1903) "To Love God Is to Obey His Commands"

REMINDERS *HAYR MER - #133 *BENEDICTION *CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Park Køez Døer, Asdvadz Møer" POSTLUDE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES July meeting has been rescheduled, next meeting will be a July/August combined meeting that will be held second week of August.

THE AMAA on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of Armenia's Independence and AMAA's Mission work in Armenia has organized a tour to Armenia from September 15-27, 2011 For more info please call Elizabeth at AMAA 201.265.2607 or e-mail amaadevelopment@amaa.org.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

Please continue to pray for Evan Darawi. For updates on his condition check www.caringbridge.org/visit/evandarawi.

Synopsis of the Armenian Message

In this section, John concludes his discourse on faith. In the first four chapters he mentioned several tests of faith, and here he gives the results of faith: (1) The divine birth. "Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God." (2) Love for God. Those who are truly born of God will also love Him. (3) Love for fellow believers. "Everyone who loves the father loves his children as well." (4) Obedience to God's commands. Love for God is expressed in willing obedience to His commands. Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments" (John 14:15).

Friends, these four results of faith can also serve as good tests to evaluate our own lives. Where is there room for growth? What will you do to grow in that area?