

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

11:00 A.M.

October 16, 2011

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 - #26 "To God Be The Glory" (Vv. 1,2,3)
#79 "When Peace, Like a River" (Vv. 1,2,4)

*READING IN UNISON (1Peter 4:12-19)

"Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. If you suffer, it should not be as a murderer or thief or any other kind of criminal, or even as a meddler. However, if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name. For it is time for judgment to begin with the family of God; and if it begins with us, what will the outcome be for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And, "If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" So then, those who suffer according to God's will should commit themselves to their faithful Creator and continue to do good."

PRAYER

*HYMN - #233 "Faith Is The Victory" (Vv.1,2,3)
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ENGLISH MESSAGE: *Revelation 2:8-11 (P.1914)*

"Be Faithful In Suffering"

SANCTUARY CHOIR

PRAYER CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

OFFERING- *offertory music*

ARMENIAN MESSAGE: *Ephesians 3:1-13 (P.1820)*

"The Inclusive Church"

REMINDERS

*HAYR MER – #133

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Park KØez DØer, Asdvadz MØer"

POSTLUDE

*Congregation is requested to stand

*** Latecomers be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER TIME. Please join us for a prayer time following the worship service in the room at the back of the church.

THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE will have a brief meeting TODAY during the fellowship hour.

THE ACC IS COLLECTING used clothes and household items in *excellent condition* to give to the resale store of Westside Christian Academy. All donations will go to support the schools' financial needs. Please bring your donations to the ACC and give them to Moses.

HARVEST PARTY

Please reserve the following night, **Friday, October 28, 2011**. Gathering at 5:30 p.m. dinner served at 6:00 p.m. Delicious food, fun and games for the whole family. Children 10 and under will be playing games and winning prizes. Prize donations now are being accepted. All ages are welcome. Children under 10 are \$3.00, 10 years and up \$6.00. For more information please call Mrs. Leslie Banerian 248.203.1705, or Mrs. Ann Bayleran 248.366.9366.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY. Come join a group of volunteers from the ACC as they spend a day fixing-up the house of our own church member Ms. Florence Varbedian. Workday is Saturday, October 29th. Work to be done: cleaning and general repairs. Men, women and young people are encouraged to come. If you are interested in helping please speak to Pastor Mak.

MISSIONS

- **Operation Christmas Child.** Is a ministry started by Franklin Graham that reaches out to poor and under- privileged children around the world with the good news of the gospel through gifts packed in shoe boxes. If you would like to participate, pick-up a form from the church foyer and return completed boxes no later than Sunday, Nov. 13.
- **Angel Tree.** Angel Tree is a program of Prison Fellowship started by Charles W. Colson. Your support will help bring joy to the children of prisoners by giving them a Christmas present, letting them know they are not forgotten, and telling them about the love of Jesus. If you would like to make a donation please make checks to Angel Tree, P.O. Box 1550 Merrifield, VA 22116. For more information please talk to Pastor Mak.
- **Christmas In October.** Bring Christmas joy to children of Armenia and Karabagh through AMAA Armenia Summer Camp Christmas Committee. You can make checks payable to ACC. Or you may mail the check directly to AMAA. The forms are available in the hallway.

ACC YOUTH GROUP. We invite all youth ages 12-18 to attend the ACC Youth Group every Friday; next Youth Group will be held on October 21. Each Friday holds a different activity. Teens come and bring a friend!

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY this Wednesday, October 19, @ 7:00 pm at the ACC.

AMAA. Mr. David Aynejian extends his thanks to the ACC family for making his first AMAA Sunday memorable with the congregation's great show of kindness, and friendliness.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

Mr. & Mrs. Ralph and Frances Garabedian welcome their grandson Tyler William born on Saturday, October 8 to Ms. Alison Garabedian. Congratulations to the Garabedian family.

Synopsis of Armenian Message

In this section of the letter, Paul continues the theme of unity in the church. Most churches appeal to a certain segment of their community. The Lord's Church is all inclusive. Paul who was a prisoner of Jesus Christ for the Gentiles says that by revelation God made known to him the mystery of Christ for all people (4). The mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel. We are members together in one body. We share together in the promise in Christ Jesus. From the beginning of time it was the plan of God to include everyone. God's plan was that through the church the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to all. In Christ and through Christ we can approach God with freedom and confidence. "Paul has come to see that in this new world-winning plan it is not the nation of Israel – racially, politically and geographically defined – that will be the vehicle of God's purposes, but the Church: ethnically diverse and geographically dispersed. God's new family will draw people from every place and race, and through it (perhaps especially in its reconciled diversity) the multi-faceted wisdom of God will be made known."

Friends, as you reflect on the passage from last week (2:11-22) and this week's passage (3:1-13), do you see what God intended His Church to look like? What is your view of the Church? Pray that the ACC will become a true reflection of the biblical Church.

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