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**11:00 A.M. September 5, 2021**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ORGAN PRELUDE/QUIET MEDITATION**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN***: #93 “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” (vs. 1-3)*

**\*INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (in unison)**

God of Glory, we give thanks to you this day for who you are, a loving and just God, who only does what is good. You are God Almighty; you can do all things, more than we can ever ask or imagine. You only desire what is good for us. You are the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the last. All things come from you, and you are the source of our strength. We believe in the power of your name, that through your name we can conquer over any sin and demolish all the plans of the evil one. Your grace and love are all we need to sustain our lives. You deserve all of our praise. We give you all the glory and honor, who taught us to pray, “Our Father, Who art in heaven….”

**\*GLORIA PATRI**- *#79* *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

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**\*RESPONSIVE READING: *Labor Day***

**PASTOR:** O God,the Great Creator and Master Workman of the entire universe, we thank you that you revealed yourself to us in Jesus the carpenter, whose working hands bear eternal testimony to the dignity of work.

**PEOPLE:** **Bless all who serve us, and who have dedicated their lives to the ministry of others.**

**PASTOR:** Bless all the workers who labor so patiently with so little appreciation.

**PEOPLE: Bless all who serve the public, who have to accept criticism, complaint, bad manners, selfishness at the hands of thoughtless people.**

**PASTOR:** Help the labor movement of our day to be worthy of its heritage. Save it from malice and bitterness.

**PEOPLE: Guard employers from lust for personal power and exploitation, and guide them in the service of the common good.**

**PASTOR:** Grant all classes of people a large comprehension for the aspirations of labor.

**PEOPLE: Grant to laborers the wisdom to seek a world of peace with justice and liberty for all.**

**PASTOR:** Bless every humble worker who, through conscientious performance of labor, preaches eloquent sermons without words.

**UNISON: Teach us all, O Lord, the divine dignity of labor, whatever sort it be, if only from you and for you, to the well-being of your creatures and to the glory of your Holy name. Amen.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

 **NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHORAL ANTHEM**

**SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

**CONGREGATIONAL COMMUNION HYMN:**

*#100“Why Should I feel Discouraged” (vs. 1,2,3)*

1. Giving of the Bread
2. Giving of the Cup

**\*CONGREGATIONAL SONG:** *#7 “Lord I Lift your Name On High”*

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE:** *Revelation 1:4-18 (pp. 1913-1914)*

**ENGLISH SERMON: Jesus, the Alpha and Omega, the Almighty**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE**: *John 1:9-14 (p. 1646)*

**ARMENIAN SERMON: The Glory of Jesus Revealed**

**\*HAYR MER:** *#275*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Park Kéz Dér, Asdvadz Mér"**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WE WELCOME ALL WHO ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US,** especially guests. We extend a very cordial welcome to newcomers to take part in the worship, to engage in the activities of the Church and make this your church home.

**CHURCH JOYS AND CONCERNS:** Please pray for Nancy Berschbach, continue praying for Jan Janigian, Lee Savalle (Dan and Sandra Haroutunian’s sister), Glenn Harrison, Artsakh, Armenia, our government and the pandemic.

**RALLY SUNDAY IS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH.** Please plan on joining us as we kick off another season. Come and reconnect with friends and family as we meet up in class and then get together for a complementary lunch during the fellowship hour. It is also **PICTURE TAKING DAY.** We ask all A.C.C. members, to be present so that photos can be taken for the Church Directory.

**IS YOUR ANNIVERSARY, BIRTHDAY OR GRADUATION** approaching? Why not share your celebration with the Church Family by sponsoring the Fellowship Hour or Altar Flowers. Please sign your name on the Bulletin Board, call the Church Office or email Souzanne at Office@accdetroit.org.

**CHURCH SCHEDULE:**

* **Monday Prayer** 6:30 p.m. online via Zoom app.
* **Wednesday Bible Study** is being held every Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. online via Zoom app.

**SYNOPSIS OF THE ARMENIAN SERMON**

 The Apostle John was the closest disciple to Jesus; it is no wonder that Jesus chose him to reveal his full glory. John experienced the presence of Jesus like no other. He was the “disciple whom Jesus loved.” (John 13:23)

Here are some of the things John experienced:

1. John was given the honor to write the book of Revelation. Jesus showed him his full glory in its entire splendor.
2. John wrote about the glorious return of Jesus that awaits for those who love Jesus and have been washed by his blood; for those who earnestly wait for his second coming.
3. John’s relationship was unique with Jesus; he had a very close relationship with him. Jesus fully trusted him, which is why he committed his own mother, Mary, to John, after his departure.