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**11:00 A.M. June 5, 2022**

 **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ORGAN PRELUDE/QUIET MEDITATION**

**CHOIR INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN***: #240 “Breathe On Me, Breath of God”*

 *(English vs. 1-2, Armenian vs. 3)*

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

Dear Lord, we praise you this day as we celebrate the birth of your Church, which took place two thousand years ago. You have made us part of your great Church, which is your body. You are the head of your church, and we want to thank you for sending your Holy Spirit to us as you had promised after your ascension. We rejoice knowing that you love your church unconditionally, always promising to bless us and never leave us. We thank you that your Spirit fills us with love, peace, and joy, so we will lack nothing in this life. May your Spirit use and strengthen us to share the good news of Jesus to all those we encounter. 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:** *Pentecost*

**PASTOR:**  God, our Father, we come into your presence today with great joy, for on this day we celebrate the birthday of the church.

**PEOPLE:** **We thank you, O Lord, that on this day the Holy Spirit bought the church to life, giving it the power to spread your word everywhere.**

**PASTOR:** Open our ears this day that through the gift of that same Spirit we may listen to your holy word and allow it to guide us in the days ahead.

**PEOPLE:** **Replenish us with the grace of the Holy Spirit that we may bring forth abundantly the fruits of peace and good works.**

**PASTOR:** Renew us with the power of the Holy Spirit that we may be able to bear one another’s burdens as well as rejoice in each other’s joys.

**PEOPLE:** **Give us discernment of our neighbors’ needs and teach us how we may touch their lives.**

**PASTOR:** Grant to each of us the awareness and the knowledge of your Spirit’s unfailing presence and love.

**PEOPLE: Strengthen each of us to live and move in the spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**UNISON: Enlighten and guide us by your Holy Spirit that we may, with the saints of all ages, come into full communion with you and with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHORAL ANTHEM:** *Fill Me Up - Dennis Marburger, Soloist*

**SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

**CONGREGATIONAL COMMUNION HYMN:** *#237 “Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart” (vs. 1 & 4)*

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

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE:** *Acts 2:1-4 (p. 1692)*

**ENGLISH SERMON: The Church of Christ Gives Birth**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE**: *Acts 2:14-18 (pp. 1692-1693)*

**ARMENIAN SERMON: The Pouring of the Spirit**

**\*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**

**MEN’S BREAKFAST & FELLOWSHIP** Starting Saturday, June 11th at 10:00 a.m. Donation for breakfast is $5. Please register ASAP to receive a copy of the book by Church Email or by calling the Church Office.

**FATHER’S DAY PICNIC** will be held on Saturday, June 18th, at 2:00 p.m. at Mr. Tony Janigian home. (28340 Wellington St, Farmington Hills). Please sign up after the Morning Worship Service in the Social Hall.

**WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY** will be held every other Saturday. Next study is Saturday, June 25th at 10:30 a.m. led by Mrs. Lena Bouladian.

**GRADUATES OF 2022** ACC would like to honor our graduates by publishing their names and degrees in the weekly bulletin on Sunday, June 12. Please submit to the Church Office or email the names of your loved ones graduating this year from Elementary School, Middle School, High School, College, Graduate or post Graduate School. Deadline for submission is today.

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

**SYNOPSIS OF THE ARMENIAN SERMON**

 After a long wait, the prophecy that the prophet Joel predicted came true in Jesus after His ascension. Jesus had told His disciples that after He returns back to heaven, he will send the Holy Spirit. On the great day of Pentecost, which the Israelites were commanded by God to celebrate this holiday fifty days after the Passover; this day came finally true. Pentecost in the Old Testament is called ‘Feast of Weeks, or the ‘Feast of Harvest’, which the Israelites celebrated the wheat harvest sometime end of May by offering to the Lord the first fruits of the new grain as a gratitude for blessing their land with food.

**Here are some important points about Pentecost:**

1. **Pentecost is the New Symbol of First fruits.** Just as the resurrection of Jesus became the first fruit of a new covenant, in the same manner, the ascension of the Holy Spirit became the symbol of the pouring of the Spirit on the believers. As if though God is collecting the blessing of the first fruit that started with Christ resurrecting, now is continuing with believers after receiving new life in Christ.
2. **Pentecost signifies time for spiritual revival.** In Joel 2:28. God promises that He will send His Spirit on those who turn to Him and they will be filled by the Holy Spirit and prophecy. This pouring of the Spirit has not ceased to this day. God wants to continue to fill His Church with the power of His Spirit so we can all be bold witnesses for Jesus Christ.