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**11:00 a.m. June 4, 2023**

 **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ORGAN PRELUDE/QUIET MEDITATION**

**CHOIR INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN:** *#395 “Children Are We of One Father Above” (vs. 1-2 English, vs. 3 Armenian)*

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

Lord of heaven and earth, we come before your presence, with thanksgiving, because you are worthy of our praise. It is you we trust with all of our heart because you are a faithful God, who keeps His covenant of love through all generations. Help us to trust in your unfailing love, even in the midst of hard times. You said you will never leave us or forsake us, and we say with confidence, ‘The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.’ 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.*

**RESPONSIVE READING: *Trust in The Lord***

**PASTOR:** The Lord is my light and my salvation, I will never be afraid.

**PEOPLE:** **The Lord is my light and my salvation; I will never be afraid.**

**PASTOR:** The Lord protects me from all danger; I will never be afraid.

**PEOPLE: The Lord is my light and my salvation. I will never be afraid.**

**PASTOR:** When evil people attack me and try to kill me, they stumble and fall.

**PEOPLE:** **Even if a whole army surrounds me, I will not be afraid; even if enemies attack me, I will still trust God.**

**PASTOR:** The Lord is my light and my salvation. I will never be afraid.

**PEOPLE:** **I have asked the Lord for one thing; one thing only do I want: to live in the Lord’s house all my life;**

**PASTOR:** To marvel there at his goodness, and to ask his guidance.

**UNISON:** **The Lord is my light and my salvation. I will never be afraid.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**

**SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

**CONGREGATIONAL SONG:** *#29 “Give Thanks” (in English and Armenian)*

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

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE**: *Acts 4:1-22 (pp. 1696-1697)*

**ENGLISH SERMON: Blessings In The Midst of Hardship**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE:** *Acts 4:29-31 (p. 1697)*

 **ARMENIAN SERMON: The Power of Prayer**

**\*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 continue praying for Susan Mousigian, Dr. Richard Marburger, George and Ann Krikorian, Jan Janigian, and Glenn Harrison.

**ARMENIAN AND ENGLISH LIVE RADIO PROGRAM** this evening at 6:00-7:00p.m. with Pastor Hagop, hosted by Vaughn Masropian. The theme this Sunday evening is **“The Fruits and Gifts of the Holy Spirit”** on Facebook live at https://www.facebook.com /ArmenianCongregationalChurch and at WNZK 690AM.

**MONDAY PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP** is held every Monday via zoom at 6:30p.m.

**MONTHLY ARMENIAN LANGUAGE CLASS** will be held on Saturday, June 10th, from 10-11a.m.

**FATHER’S DAY POTLUCK** will be held on Saturday, June 17th, at 2:30p.m. We thank Mr. Tony Janigian for opening his home to us. Please sign up after the Morning Worship Service in the Social Hall with Sheryl Marburger.

**AMAA IS ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT** to help fund the Armenian Evangelical Church of Anjar, Lebanon, the house of worship had devastating fire that caused substantial damage to the Church, You can mail a check to AMAA or donate on line at amaa.org

**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.

**SYNOPSIS OF THE ARMENIAN SERMON**

After John and Peter healed the lame man, the Jewish rulers threatened them not to speak in the name of Jesus, because many were starting to believe, because they had witnessed the healing of the lame man. The next step the church takes is prayer.

**Here are some points about effective prayer:**

1. **“Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak with great boldness.”** The church prayed not to allow the threats to stop them from preaching and sharing the gospel. Satan may try to scare us with threats, but Jesus fills us with strength and boldness to be even more confident, that He can empower us to further the kingdom of God, without letting fear get in the way.
2. **“After they prayed, the place they were meeting was shaken.”** Just like the day of Pentecost, when the place was shaken at the descension of the Holy Spirit, here, we see it takes place again. And that is, because the filling of the Spirit is not a onetime experience; rather it’s an everyday process, as we grow in Christ. God wants to continually fill our lives with His grace, love, power, and wisdom, so that we can be effective Christians, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**GRADUATES OF 2023** ACC would like to honor our graduates by publishing their names and degrees in the weekly bulletin on Sunday, June 11th. 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 June 7th.

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