

Armenian Congregational Church of Greater Detroit

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January 18, 2026, 11:00 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

ORGAN PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN - #4 "We Praise You, O God" (vs. 1-4)**

Voh méz artun-tsoor yev hokvovt Norokeh, amen seerd

yergnavor yerantovut vareh, alelouyah mehr purgeeche

Alelooya amen, alelooyah koogt eh parkeh, serpeh mez nohrehn.

Amen.

***INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)**

God of grace and glory; we have gathered together in the awareness of your everlasting love. We thank you for the presence of your Spirit, which enables us to live with confidence and joy. As we lift up our words of prayer and our songs of praise, we give ourselves to you in a spirit of true worship. In the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ who taught us to pray: "Our Father, Who art in heaven..."

***GLORIA PATRI- #79**

RESPONSIVE READING: "New Year"

LEADER: Everlasting God, by whose mercy we have come to the gateway of another year, grant that we may enter the New Year with humble and grateful hearts.

PEOPLE: We thank you for the year that is past.

LEADER: We thank you for every satisfying experience, for victories won, for progress made during the past year.

PEOPLE: May we, who are pilgrims, conscious of life's varying scenes, learn by faith to cling to you.

LEADER: We know that you will be in the future as you have been in the past. We know that you will lead us on through all the tomorrows as you have led us through the yesterdays.

PEOPLE: We know that you will not let us go, even when we try to wander from your way.

LEADER: As we set our faces toward the New Year, we know full well that it will bring many changes.

PEOPLE: The old must give place to the new.

LEADER: Give us courage and fortitude enabling us to stand firm upon our faith.

UNISON: Guide us in worship this day, and may your spirit be always with us. Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

NOTICES AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING WITH ANTHEM

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANTHEM

ENGLISH & ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE: *Philippians 3:12-14* (p. 1829)

ENGLISH SERMON: "Our Hope for the New Year"

***HYMN-#224** "*Nearer, My God, To Thee*" (vs. 1 & 4)

ARMENIAN SERMON: "Pressing on Toward the Goal"

***HAYR MER - #275**

***BENEDICTION**

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

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE WELCOME TO OUR PULPIT: Lifetime Deacon David Terzibashian, he will be leading the Worship Service today and act as Interim Service Leader.

THE COFFEE HOUR: this morning are given by Mr. & Mrs. Roger and Nancy Berschbach in honor of their 34th Wedding Anniversary.

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Will be held on Sunday, February 1, 2026, immediately following the Morning worship Service. All Boards and organizations are requested to submit their reports.