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11:00 A.M.

January 1, 2006

New Year Sunday

**ORGAN PRELUDE**

**CHIMES AND LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

\***OPENING HYMNS** - # 5 "Come, Thou Almighty King" (vs. 1,2,3)

# 22 "Our God, Our Help In Ages Past" (vs. 1,2,6)

\***RESPONSIVE READING** - # 375 "A Litany For The New Year"

**PASTOR:** O God, in the quietness of thy sanctuary we wait the closing moment of another year.

**PEOPLE:** **We lift up our hearts unto thee, O Lord.**

**PASTOR:** From the failures of the past, from broken hopes and disappointed ambitions, from our sins against ourselves and against others,

**PEOPLE:** **We lift up our hearts unto thee, O Lord.**

**PASTOR:** We confess the unworthy living that has stained the record of the year that now is dying. For pardon, for grace to make restitution, for a clean heart and a right spirit with which to enter the new year,

**PEOPLE:** **We lift up our hearts unto thee, O Lord.**

**PASTOR:** From loss of faith and hope and courage, from anxiety that harasses us, fear that frightens us, cowardice that defeats us, and from the loss of thy companionship, without which no life is good, no soul is strong,

**PEOPLE:** **Good Lord, deliver us.**

**PASTOR:** Bring us to the new year's beginning with such vision of our duty, such resolution to perform it, and such resources for its consummation that whether in this year ahead we live or fall asleep, we shall be unashamed before thee.

**PEOPLE:** **Lord, have mercy upon us and grant us these blessings. Amen.**

\***INVOCATION**

\***GLORIA PATRI** - #295

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**ANTHEM**

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**CHORAL RESPONSE**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING**

**\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

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**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE READING:** *Rev. Dr. Vahan Tootikian*

**ARMENIAN SERMON:** *Rev. Dr. Vahan Tootikian*

\***HYMNS** #101 "Father, Here We Dedicate This New Year" (vs. 1, 2)

#74 "Take My Life, And Let It Be" (vs.1, 2)

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE READING:** *Deuteronomy 29: 16-29 (Page 319)*

**ENGLISH SERMON:** "A Formula For Facing The Future."

\***HAYR MER** - # 133

\***BENEDICTION**

\***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** "Park K<sup>2</sup>ez D<sup>2</sup>er, Asdvadz M<sup>2</sup>er"

**QUIET MEDITATION**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

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*\*\*Congregation is requested to stand*

*\*\*\* Latecomers may be seated*

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**DEDICATION OF THE FELLOWSHIP HALL DATE CHANGE.** The new date for the A.C.C. Fellowship hall dedication will be on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006 following the Sunday morning worship service. The fellowship hall will be dedicated in honor of Rev. Dr. Vahan H. Tootikian's 30 years of pastoral ministry at A.C.C.

**INSTALLATION OF THE CHURCH OFFICERS.** There will be an installation service for the newly elected members of the board of Trustees and Deacons on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2006 during our Sunday morning worship service. We kindly request that all the continuing and the newly elected members of both boards be present.

**THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held on Sunday, January 22, 2006, immediately following the morning worship service. All boards and organizations are requested to submit their reports.

**TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY DATE CHANGE.** Our Tuesday night Bible study group will be off for the next three weeks. We will resume our meetings on Wednesdays instead of Tuesdays starting Wednesday January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. Please join us in the Christian Education building as we study the book of James.

**NURSERY NEWS.** We will be cleaning and painting the nursery and the pre-school rooms on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006. Anyone who can help for a few hours between 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. is welcome.

**PRAYER TIME.** Come join us every third Sunday of the month for a prayer time right here in the sanctuary immediately following the Sunday Morning Worship.

**CHURCH JOYS AND CONCERNS.** Please continue to pray for Andrew Mason, Nora Baylerian and Christian Correy.

**GREETINGS FROM OUR SISTER CHURCH IN DILIJAN** We have received an email greeting from pastor Garnik Tootikyan, he is the pastor of Armenian Evangelical Church of Dilijan, Armenia. He wishes our church blessed Christmas and Happy New Year. The email is posted on the bulletin board by the hall entrance.

### **SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

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

(Ours is an open Communion, and all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior are cordially invited to share this Sacrament with us. In accordance with our custom, we suggest that as an act of Christian community, each communicant hold the element {first, the bread; then the cup} until all have been served. Then with the Minister, partake together, so that none may be first and none last at the Table of the Lord.)

***Pastor Makarios, Jennifer and Julianna Darawi would like to wish the A.C.C family and friends a happy, prosperous, and most blessed New Year.***