

Armenian Congregational Church of Greater Detroit
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11:00 A.M.

October 1, 2006

We welcome all who are worshiping with us, especially guests and newcomers. We invite you to take part in worship, to engage in the activities of the church and make this your home church.

A supervised nursery is available for children age two and under.

ORGAN PRELUDE

GREETINGS & CALL TO WORSHIP

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

#74 "Take My Life, And Let It Be" (vs. 1,2 &3)

RESPONSIVE READING - #391 - "A Litany In Preparation For

Communion"

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PASTOR: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: **It is right that we should.**

PASTOR: (Let us pray.) It is our duty and our delight, Lord God our Father, to give you thanks and praise for all that you have done for the world. Our hearts are full of gratitude to you, because you loved the world so much that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who has faith in him may not die but have eternal life.

PEOPLE: **We thank you that Jesus was born among us; that he lived our common life on earth; that he suffered and died for us; that he rose again; and that he is always present through the Holy Spirit.**

PASTOR: Remembering these things, we celebrate once again the Supper of the Lord. We pray that despite our sins and doubts the Holy Spirit may transform what we are doing, so that as we eat the bread and drink the wine we may share in the eternal life of Christ.

PEOPLE: **We thank you that we do not celebrate this supper alone, but in company with all your people, past, present and to come. With them and all creation we praise you and say:**

UNISON: **Holy, holy, holy, Mighty Lord God, everything makes your greatness known: we acknowledge it with joy. Amen.**

***INVOCATION**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
COMMUNION**

ANTHEM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER**

SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN: Mark 6: 32 - 44 (pp. 1562-1563)

SERMON IN ARMENIAN: "Give Them Something To Eat"

***HYMNS-** # 121 "Love Lifted Me" (vs. 1 & 2)

148 "Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing"

SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH: Acts 9:1 -19 (pp. 1706-1707)

SERMON IN ENGLISH: "The Conversion of Saul"

***HAYR MER** - #133

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** "Park K0ez D0er, Asdvadz M0er"

ORGAN POSTLUDE

**Congregation is requested to stand*

**** Latecomers may be seated*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR THIS MORNING are given by Mrs. Albes Mahlebashian in memory of Arthur Mahlebashian.

THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR today is sponsored by Mrs. Marian Flanagan in honor of Mr. Daniel Flanagan's 70th Birthday.

THE ACC WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEETING will be held on Sunday, October 8, 2006 at 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Christian Education room. All women are invited.

THE MEN'S FELLOWSHIP gathering will be held on Sunday, October 8, 2006 at 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. All men are invited.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS meeting will be held today following the morning worship service at 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Christian Education Room.

THE FIRST YOUTH GROUP MEETING will be held on Wednesday, October 4th, 2006 from 6:00 – 7:15 p.m. All church youth from grades 6th through 12th and their friends are invited to come for a time of fellowship, Bible Study and discussion.

CHURCH JOYS & CONCERNS.

- Pray for God's blessing on our youth ministry.
- Pray for our homeland of Armenia (basic life necessities, employment, justice and human rights).
- Pray for our sister church in Diligan.

Synopsis of the Armenian Message

In Mark 6:32-44, the disciples had just returned from their first preaching and teaching tour, and Jesus wants to get away with them for a little time of rest. The people see Jesus and run ahead of him to where he is going. Jesus, the good shepherd, upon seeing the crowd "had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd." Jesus knows that the crowd's real need is not physical food, but spiritual, so he starts by teaching them. Later, by a miracle, Jesus provides the crowd of thousands of people with food for their bodies. Through this miracle, the disciples were witnessing how Jesus was to give his body as the bread of life to a hungry world. His body was to be broken on the cross so that others could have eternal life. Jesus' words here remind us of his words at the last supper, "Jesus took the bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying 'Take and eat; this is my body'" (Matthew 26:26).

Today also people around us are like sheep without a shepherd. They are hungry for more than just physical food. They need spiritual food. They need Jesus to satisfy their souls and spirits. And Jesus says to us, "give them something to eat."