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11:00 A.M.

October 8, 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** - #6 "We Praise Thee, O God" (vs. 1 & 2)  
#88 "Faith Of Our Fathers" (vs. 1 & 2)

**RESPONSIVE READING** - #333 - "The Law Of The Lord"

**PASTOR:** The law of the Lord is perfect; it gives new life. The commands of the Lord are trustworthy, giving wisdom to those who lack it.

**PEOPLE:** **The rules of the Lord are right, and those who obey them are happy.**

**PASTOR:** His commandments are completely just and give understanding to the mind.

**PEOPLE:** **The worship of the Lord is good; it will continue forever.**

**PASTOR:** The judgments of the Lord are just, they are always fair. They are more desirable than gold, even the finest gold.

**PEOPLE:** **They are sweeter than honey, even the purest honey. They give knowledge to me, your servant; I am rewarded for obeying them.**

**PASTOR:** No one can see his own errors; deliver me from hidden faults! Keep me safe, also, from open sins; don't let them rule over me. Then I shall be perfect and free from terrible sin.

**UNISON:** **May my words and my thoughts be acceptable to you, O Lord, my refuge and my redeemer!**

**\*INVOCATION**

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**ANTHEM**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY**

**PRAYER**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING**

**\*DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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**\*HYMN**- # 128(Armenian) "Menk Chank Stker Soorp Keerkeh" (vs. 1 & 2)

**SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN:** *Psalm 119:105* (p. 962)

**SERMON IN ARMENIAN:** "The Light Of The Gospel"

**\*HYMN**- # 20 "Sing Them Over Again To Me" (vs. 1 & 2)

**SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH:** *James 1:19-25* (p.1881)

**SERMON IN ENGLISH:** "Make Way For The Word"

**\*HAYR MER** - #133

**\*BENEDICTION**

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

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

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*\*Congregation is requested to stand*

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

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR THIS MORNING** are given by Mr. & Mrs. Steve and Julie Dawson on their 3<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary.

**THE ACC WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP** meeting will be held today from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Christian Education room. All women are invited.

**THE MEN'S FELLOWSHIP** meeting will be held today from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the youth room. All men are invited.

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY** will be held on Wednesday, October 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the Christian Education Room. We are beginning a series entitled "Foundational Christian Beliefs." Join us for an interactive discussion.

**THE SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS'** meeting will be held on October 15, at 12:30 p.m. in the Christian Education room.

**PLEASE RESERVE THE FOLLOWING DATE:** Friday, October 27, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. for our Family Night. All ages are welcome. Donations are \$12.00 for adults; \$6.00 for children 6-12 years old, no charge for children under 6 years. Come enjoy a delicious meal, featuring "Monte", and games. Please write your names on the sign-up sheet on the church bulletin board.

**THE PASTOR'S TRIP TO ARMENIA.** Come join us on October 27<sup>th</sup> during the family night for a full report and a slide show on Pastor Mak's trip to Armenia, the Armenian Evangelical Church 160<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, and his visit to our sister church of Dilijan.

**CHURCH JOYS & CONCERNS.**

- Please pray for our local community, especially for the families that are being affected by the job cuts at the big companies.
- Pray that God will pour out His Spirit on our church and revive us spiritually.
- Pray for Lara and Ara Eurdekian, and their friends and relatives as they remember their mother Rose Eurdekian, who passed away one year ago. We pray for God's continued comfort and everyone.

**Synopsis of the Armenian Message**

Today is *Translators* Sunday. What we mean with "*The Translators*" is the group of learned people under the leadership of *St. Mesrop Mashtots* who invented the Armenian alphabet, and translated the Holy Bible to the Armenian language. *St. Gregory the Illuminator* had brought the light of the gospel to king *Trdat* who converted to Christianity and declared it the official state religion. But much of Armenia was still under the darkness of paganism at this time. The translation of the Bible was the crucial step that was to help bring the light of Christ into the lives of the Armenian people.

The psalmist in psalm 119:105 speaks of the Word of God as a lamp and a light that illuminates his way. God's Word is the means that God uses to reveal His will to us. Jesus came as the incarnate Word of God. He is the light of the world that gives life. By reading, studying, and applying God's Word to our lives, we will come to know God and experience His salvation, our walk will be illuminated and directed by His light, and we will walk in His ways and live lives pleasing to Him.

The Armenian people should ever be grateful for the *Translators'* work, which made us one of the earliest people to have the Bible in our own language. Even today many language groups still do not have the Bible in their own languages.