

**Mr. John Chance, Pianist - Choir Director
Pastor Makarios Darawi**

11:00 A.M.

February 10, 2008

*We welcome all who are worshipping 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
CALL TO WORSHIP**

***OPENING HYMNS** – #115 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” (Vv. 1 & 2)
#76 “Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine” (Vv. 1 & 3)
#148 “Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing”

READING - #345 “A Prayer For Forgiveness”

PASTOR: Be merciful to me, God, because of your constant love.
PEOPLE: **Wipe away my sins, because of your great mercy! Wash away my evil, and make me clean from my sin!**
PASTOR: I recognize my faults; I am always conscious of my sins. I have sinned against you – only against you, and done what you consider evil.
PEOPLE: **So you are right in judging me; you are justified in condemning me.**
PASTOR: A faithful heart is what you want; fill my mind with your wisdom. Remove my sin, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.
PEOPLE: **Let me hear the sounds of joy and gladness; close your eyes to my sins, and wipe out all my evil.**
PASTOR: Create a pure heart in me, God, and put a new and loyal spirit in me. Do not banish me from your presence; do not take your holy spirit away from me.
PEOPLE: **Give me again the joy that comes from your salvation, and make my spirit obedient.**
PASTOR: Spare my life, God my Savior, and I will gladly proclaim your righteousness.
PEOPLE: **Help me to speak, Lord, and I will praise you.**
PASTOR: You do not want sacrifices, or I would offer them; you are not pleased with burnt offerings.
PEOPLE: **My Sacrifice is a submissive spirit, God; a submissive and obedient heart you will not reject.**

INVOCATION

**ANTHEM
ANNOUNCEMENTS
JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY
PRAYER
OFFERING**

SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN: Luke 4:1-13 (Pp. 1595-96)
MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN: “The Temptation Of Jesus”

HYMN – #121 “Love Lifted Me” (Vv. 1 & 2)

SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH: Genesis 1:26-28; 2:15-17, 3:1-19 (Pp. 3-6)
MESSAGE IN ENGLISH: “Basic Christian Beliefs – Salvation (I)”

***HAYR MER** – #133

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** “Park K'oez D'oeer, Asdvadz M'oeer”

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FEBRUARY A.C.C. WOMEN'S AND MEN'S FELLOWSHIP meetings will be held today following the fellowship hour.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS. Will be offered on Sunday, March 2, 2008. From 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Christian Education room. This class is recommended for adults who are either interested in becoming communicant members or transferring their membership from another church to A.C.C. Please speak to Pastor Mak if you are interested in attending the class.

YEAR-END FINANCIAL REPORTS are now available; if you would like to obtain a report, please see Ralph Garabedian.

CHURCH JOYS & CONCERNS

- **Prayer.** Please continue to pray for Matthew DeRaad, Nella Lommert, Randy Kustes (*friend of Harold and Joyce Gant*) and Mrs. Landry (*friend of Bob and Gayaneh Kachadourian*).
- Also please pray for our soldiers in Iraq, Afghanistan, and around the world.

FAMILY NIGHT FIESTA

Friday, February 15, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

Come enjoy delicious Armenian food, entertainment, fun and games with Mihran Kupelian. All ages are welcome. Tickets are \$12.00 for adults; \$6.00 for children 6-12 years old; no charge for children under 6 years. Please write your names on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

Synopsis of the Armenian Message

(Luke 4:1-13)

Following His baptism and before the official start of His ministry, Jesus went into the desert for a period of fasting and testing. At the end of the forty days when Jesus was hungry Satan comes to Him with his threefold temptation. The first temptation had to do with His hunger. Satan suggested that Jesus listen to him and abuse His power to turn the stones into bread. The second temptation had to do with possessions. Jesus is offered a shortcut to lordship over the kingdoms of the world through worship of Satan instead of through the cross. The third temptation had to do with testing God. Satan, quoting Scripture, challenges to perform a spectacular public stunt. In reply to the three temptations, Jesus uses God's Word (the sword of the Spirit) to respond and repulse Satan.

We too face temptations to feed our hunger for power, prestige, and possessions, to seek fame, to draw attention to ourselves, and put God to the test. The answer to all these temptations is God's Word. The more we study it and meditate on it, the more we will be equipped to resist temptations. Pray and ask God to strengthen you in the face of temptations.