

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

**MOTHER'S DAY**

**11:00 A.M.**

**May 11, 2008**

*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.*

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*HYMNS & SONGS** – #49 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” (Vv. 1,3,4)  
#104 “There Is Beauty All Around” (Vv.1,3)  
#85 “Fairest Lord Jesus” (Vv. 1,2)

**RESPONSIVE READING - “Mother’s Day”**

**PASTOR:** A wife of noble character who can find? She is worth far more than rubies.

**PEOPLE:** **Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value. She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life.**

**PASTOR:** She gets up while it is still dark; she provides food for her family.

**PEOPLE:** **She sets about her work vigorously; she opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy.**

**PASTOR:** She is clothed with strength and dignity. She speaks with wisdom and faithful instruction is on her tongue.

**PEOPLE:** **She watches over the affairs of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children arise and call her blessed.**

**PASTOR:** Her husband also, and he praises her:

**MEN:** **“Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all.”**

**PASTOR:** Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.

**UNISON:** **Give her the reward she has earned, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.**

**INVOCATION**

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**SPECIAL MUSIC – Ms. Gabriel Kadian**

**ANTHEM**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY**

**PRAYER**

**OFFERING**

**SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN:** 1 Peter 3:1-6 (P. 1889)

**MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN: “A Woman’s Beauty”**

**SONG** – #18 “Be Thou My Vision” (Songbook)

**SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH:** Mathew 20:20-23 (Pp. 1530-31)

**MESSAGE IN ENGLISH: “A Mother’s Faith”**

**\*HAYR MER** – #133

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** “Park K0ez D0er, Asdvadz M0er”

**POSTLUDE**

**\*Congregation is requested to stand**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY TO ALL MOTHERS.** The Mother’s Day Banquet will be held today at **4:00 p.m.** in the Rev. Dr. Vahan H. Tootikian Banquet Hall.

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** this morning are given by the A.C.C. Women’s fellowship in honor and memory of all the mother’s.

**FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS.** There will **not** be men’s or women’s fellowship meetings today.

**VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY.** On **Saturday, May 31**, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. we would like to invite you to join us in sprucing up ACC, having lunch, and enjoying some great fellowship all at the same time.

**GRADUATION NOTICE!** ACC would like to honor our graduates by publishing their names and degrees in the monthly bulletin and at church on Sunday, June 8. Please submit names of your loved ones graduating this year from Elementary School, Junior High, High School, College, Graduate or post Graduate School, deadline for submission is **May 26**.

**ACC ANNUAL FATHER’S DAY PICNIC**

On Sunday **June 15**, the church family will gather at Martindale Beach in Kensington Metropark starting at 9:30 a.m. for the Father’s Day Picnic. There will be a church service at 10:00 a.m. followed by lunch, games and fun activities. Please add your name to the sheet posted on the bulletin board.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)**

VBS will be held **June 30- July 3rd from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** This year we are doing “Outrigger Island.” The theme is “Living God’s Unshakable Truth” based on Psalm 86:11. Participants will enjoy applicable Bible lessons, fun praise and worship, skits, puppet shows, crafts, games, and snacks. VBS will be geared towards children ages 3-11. Older students are encouraged to assist with the younger groups. For more information please speak to Mrs. Leslie Banerian or Mrs. Ann Bayleran.

**AEUNA BIENNIAL CONVENTION.** The 19<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention will take place in Glendale, CA from *Thursday June 26<sup>th</sup>- Sunday June 29<sup>th</sup> 2008* at Glendale Hilton Hotel. For more information please speak to Pastor Mak.

**JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY.**

- Pray for God's blessing on our mothers.
- Remember the people of Myanmar as they are dealing with the aftermath of the devastating cyclone.

**Synopsis of the Armenian Message**

(1 Peter 3:1-6)

After addressing the topics of the Christian in relation to the world, to government, and to masters, in this section of his letter, the apostle Peter, comes to the relationship of wives to their husbands. First he says, that wives should be submissive to their husbands. This is not a question of equality between men and women; it is simply an explanation of God's creation order. A wife's behavior towards her husband should be such that if the husband is not a believer, he will be led to Christ because of the wife's Christ-like life. The wife's love, respect, and devotion to her husband should be a testimony to him of her faith in Christ. Second, in the example of the godly women of the Old Testament, the apostle exhorts the wives to strive for real beauty that has to do with the inner self, rather than outward beauty that is an artificial and fading beauty. He says, "Instead, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of a great worth in God's sight" (v.4). With God the inner beauty is what counts.

Mothers, as we celebrate and honor you today, I thank God for all of you and pray that you will all be an example to your children, husbands and others by your life that brings honor to Christ. And may you be known and praised for your inner beauty even more than your outward beauty.