

ARMENIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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EASTER SUNDAY

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP/ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN - "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

*INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

Dear Heavenly Father, we praise you on this Easter Sunday as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave His life for our sins, and was resurrected from the grave for our salvation. We thank you for your eternal love for us. We would have been lost and separated from you had you not come and sought after us. We are forever grateful to you for sacrificing your life for us and resurrecting to life so that we can have the hope of eternal life. We now have a new covenant with you that will last forever. This covenant is through the shedding of your own blood for us and resurrecting from the dead on the third day so that we can also have the hope of resurrection from dead one day when you come back again to take us to our heavenly home. We give you all the honor and praise, who taught us to pray, "Our Father..."

PASTORAL PRAYER OFFERING

THE APOSTLES' CREED (in unison)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN – "Christ Arose"
ENGLISH AND ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE: Romans 6:1-14 | 1 Peter 1:3-5
ENGLISH AND ARMENIAN SERMON: The Power of Christ's Resurrection |
New Birth Through the Resurrection of Christ

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SYNOPSIS OF THE ARMENIAN SERMON

The Apostle Peter affirms to us that the death and resurrection of Jesus gave us a new birth, a new hope, and an inheritance that will last all eternity with Christ.

Here are three focal points about the resurrection of Jesus and the hope of salvation:

- **1.** Jesus brought a new living hope through His resurrection: Death is no longer to be feared because Christ has conquered over the grave.
- **2.** New birth in Christ means new life in Him: We are now born again from the Holy Spirit. We have a new and living relationship with God.
- **3.** We have inherited a kingdom that will last forever: This inheritance is kept for those who have accepted Christ as their Lord and Savior. To those who believe He died for our transgression and was resurrected for our salvation.