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**SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE**

**11:00 A.M. February 28, 2021**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ORGAN PRELUDE**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

**LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN***: #177 “Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross”*

**\*INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (in unison)**

Dear Heavenly Father, as we continue this season of Lenten, we want to devote our lives to you in prayer and fasting so that we can become more and more intimate with you in the Spirit. We want to commit our lives to you with all our heart and soul. We want to see your face shine upon our lives. Lord, we ask that you heal our land from its corruption and sin. We ask that you shower us with your love and bring about the change we need so that our lives are transformed into your likeness. Help us be united in love so we can proclaim the Gospel as we look ahead to celebrate Easter. Let your love through Christ be known throughout the world. We give you all the glory and honor, who taught us to pray,

“Our Father, Who art in heaven….”

**\*GLORIA PATRI**- *#79* *Glory be to the Father and to the* Son a*nd to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

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**RESPONSIVE READING: *Psalm 32***

**PASTOR:** Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

**PEOPLE: Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit.**

**PASTOR:** When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

**PEOPLE: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.**

**PASTOR:** Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord”\_\_ and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

**PEOPLE:** **Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found; surely when the mighty waters rise, they will not reach him.**

**PASTOR:** You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and

surround me with songs of deliverance.

**PEOPLE: I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you.**

**PASTOR:** Do not be like the horse or the mule, which have no understanding but must be controlled by bit and bridle or they will not come to you.

**PEOPLE:** **Many are the woes of the wicked, but the Lord’s unfailing love surrounds the man who trusts in him.**

**UNISON: Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, you righteous; sing, all you who are upright in heart!**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE:** *Sourp Adsvaz*

**NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHORAL ANTHEM**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL SONG:** *# 25A “All I Have Is Christ” (Songbook)*

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE:** *Matthew 6:5-18 (p. 1504)*

**ENGLISH SERMON: The Blessing of Prayer and Fasting**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE:** *Luke 2:36-38 (p. 1592)*

**ARMENIAN SERMON: Being Fully Devoted to the Lord**

**\*HAYR MER:** *#275*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Park Kéz Dér, Asdvadz Mér"**

**QUIET MEDITATION**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHURCH JOYS AND CONCERNS:** Please continue praying for Artsakh, Armenia, our government and the pandemic.

**THE YOUNG ADULTS** **GATHERING** is every other Thursday at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. Next gathering will be held on Thursday, March 4th. For more information, please contact the Church Office at 248-352-0680 or email at [office@accdetroit.org](mailto:office@accdetroit.org).

**ACC ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held today immediately following the Morning Worship Service, to act on the following items: 1. The proposed budget for 2021**.** 2.Election of members of the Board of Deacons. 3. Renewal of Pastor Hagop's Call. All members are encouraged to stay after the Morning Worship Service to participate.

**MISSIONARY PROJECT FOR THE GRACE CENTERS OF HOPE** in Pontiac, Michigan. Boxes have been set up in the Lobby of the Church for your donations. You can drop off your donations on Sundays during Church Services and/or Wednesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.  If you prefer, financial donations are more than welcome! Please make checks payable to “Grace Centers of Hope.” The following items for the many homeless clients they are housing at the current time: New men and women’s underwear, t-shirts and socks in a variety of sizes. Disposable diapers in sizes 5 and 6. Canned goods such as soups, vegetables, fruits, etc. Variety of boxed cereals. Snacks for children such as graham crackers, pretzels, gold fish, etc. Sets of twin-size sheets and pillow cases. The deadline for collecting items is TODAY.

**SUPPORT A CHILD IN ARMENIA** or other regions, such as the Middle East, through Armenian Missionary Association of America (AMAA). $25/month. Please go to AMAA.org. Click on "Sponsor a child."

**Church Schedule:**

1. **Monday prayer** 6:30 p.m. online via Zoom app.
2. **Wednesday Bible Study** is being held every Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. online via Zoom app.
3. We will continue to provide **online Sunday Service** while we meet in person via Facebook live streaming. It will be posted, so you can watch it over again. It will also be posted on our website/YouTube by next day, Monday.