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**SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE**

**11:00 A.M. March 7, 2021**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ORGAN PRELUDE**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

**LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL SONG***: #20 “He Is Exalted” (Songbook)*

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

Dear Lord, we come to you this morning with a heart of gratitude for being so loving toward us. You are the fountain and bread of life for us. You are the one who nourishes our physical, mental, and spiritual needs. You are the source of our love, peace, and joy. Through you we have life and have it more abundantly because of what Christ did for us through His death and resurrection. Be glorified in our lives; let your name be honored and worshiped in all the earth. May your children always rejoice in you and be fearless to proclaim and share the Gospel to all people. 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: *Invitation to the Thirsty***

**PASTOR:** “Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost.

**PEOPLE: Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare.**

**PASTOR:** Give ear and come to me; hear me, that your soul may live. I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love promised to David. See, I have made him a witness to the people, and leader and commander of the peoples.

**PEOPLE: Surely you will summon nations you know not, and nations that do not know you will hasten to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he had endowed you with splendor.”**

**PASTOR:** Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near.

**PEOPLE:** **Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will freely pardon.**

**PASTOR:** “For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the Lord.

**PEOPLE: “As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.**

**PASTOR:** As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater.

**PEOPLE:** **So is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.**

**UNISON: You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.”**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE:** *Sourp Adsvaz*

**NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHORAL ANTHEM**

**SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

1. Giving of the Bread
2. Giving of the Cup

(Ours is an open Communion, and all who believe in, and accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior are cordially invited to share this Sacrament with us. In accordance with our customs, we suggest that as an act of Christian community, each communicant hold the element (first, the bread; then the cup) until all have been served. Then with the Minister, partake together, so that none may be first and none last at the Table of the Lord.)

**\*CONGREGATIONAL SONG:** *#32 “And Can It Be” (Songbook)*

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE:** *John 6:25-40 (p. 1657)*

**ENGLISH SERMON: Jesus, The Bread and Fountain of Life**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE:** *John 7:37-39 (p. 1660)*

**ARMENIAN SERMON: Jesus, The Spring of Living Water**

**\*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.

**ENTERED HER REST *Arlene Aramian*** passed away on Sunday, February 28th. Dearest sister to Carole Basmadjian. Visitations will be held on Monday, March 8th, from 10:00 a.m. until her 12:00 p.m. funeral service here at the Armenian Congregational Church. Private family burial to follow at White Chapel Cemetery, Troy. A.C.C. extends its heartfelt sympathies to the Aramian, Basmadjian and Mihertadian families.

**INSTALLATION OF ACC BOARD OF DEACON MEMBERS.** There will be an Installation Service for the newly elected members of the Board of Deacons next Sunday, March 14th,during our Sunday morning worship service.

**THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION** will be served every first Sunday of each month during the Morning Worship Service.

**THE YOUNG ADULTS** **GATHERING** is every other Thursday at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. Next gathering will be held on Thursday, March 18th. For more information, please contact the Church Office at 248-352-0680 or email at [office@accdetroit.org](mailto:office@accdetroit.org).

**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.