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**11:00 A.M. October 31, 2021**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ORGAN PRELUDE/QUIET MEDITATION**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN***: #7 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You”*

*(Vs. 1-3 in English, Vs. 4 in Armenian)*

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

Lord God, we come this morning before your holy presence with confidence knowing that you hear our prayers. We trust that you will always love us and be with us no matter what happens. We pray that you help us grow in our daily walk with you. We want to know you more intimately and understand your good will for our lives. Help us mature in our understanding of you and be able hear the voice of your Spirit who lives in us. We want to grow strong and live a life of victory over sin. 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 and 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 15*

**PASTOR:** Lord, who may dwell in your sanctuary? Who may live on your holy hill?

**PEOPLE: He whose walk is blameless and who does what is righteous, who speaks the truth from his heart and has no slander on his tongue, who does his neighbor no wrong and casts no slur on his fellow man,**

**PASTOR:** who despises a vile man but honors those who fear the Lord, who keeps his oath even when it hurts,

**UNISON: who lens his money without usury and does not accept a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things will never be shaken.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHORAL ANTHEM**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL SONGS:** *#15 “Thy Word”*

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE:** *2 Peter 1:3-11 (pp. 1893-1894)*

**ENGLISH SERMON: Spiritual Discipline, Growth and Maturity**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE**: *1Timothy 4:7-8 (p. 1848)*

**ARMENIAN SERMON: Being Spiritually Trained**

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

**\*BENEDICTION**

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

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WE WELCOME ALL WHO ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US,** especially guests. We extend a very cordial welcome to newcomers to take part in the worship, to engage in the activities of the Church and make this your church home.

**THE COFFEE HOUR AND THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY** are sponsored by Arslanian family in memory of Sarkis Avetisyan.

**CHURCH JOYS AND CONCERNS:** Please pray for George and Ann Krikorian, Harout Eurdekian, continue praying for Nancy Berschbach, Jan Janigian, Lee Savalle (Dan and Sandra Haroutunian’s sister), Glenn Harrison, Artsakh, Armenia, our government and the pandemic.

**A.C.C. HARVEST FAMILY NIGHT - FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH, 2021, 6:00 p.m.**

Plan now to attend our Annual Harvest Family Night.  An evening of fun and fellowship is being planned for both adults and children and a delicious dinner will be served.  Donations will be accepted at the door.  For reservations, please sign your names on the Sign-Up Sheet on the Church Bulletin Board or call the Church Office no later than Wednesday, November 3rd.  For more information, you may contact Carole Basmadjian (248-879-8637).

**TURN BACK THE CLOCK**. Don’t forget to turn your clock back one hour next Saturday, November 6th.

**NEXT SUNDAY, November 7th** the Sacrament of Communion will be administered.

**THE A.C.C. COUNCIL MEETING** will be held next Sunday, November 7th at

1:00 p.m.

**A.C.C. MISSIONS COMMITTEE PROJECT:** With the cold weather approaching, the Grace Centers of Hope are in need of warm winter clothing of all types, sizes and colors for men, women and children of all ages, including new and used coats, jackets, sweaters, pants, long-sleeve shirts, scarves, hats, gloves, mittens, shoes, boots, purses and belts. Please be sure used items are clean and in good condition. They are also in need of toiletries, especially razors. We will be collecting these items for the rest of the month. Monetary donations are also welcome; checks payable to “Grace Centers of Hope.” Please contact Carole Basmadjian, Member of the Missions Committee, if you have any questions.

**IS YOUR ANNIVERSARY, BIRTHDAY OR GRADUATION** approaching? Why not share your celebration with the Church Family by sponsoring the Fellowship Hour or Altar Flowers. Please sign your name on the Bulletin Board, call the Church Office or email Souzanne at [Office@accdetroit.org](mailto:Office@accdetroit.org).

**SYNOPSIS OF THE ARMENIAN SERMON**

The Apostle Paul was a mentor to the young Timothy who was hungry to grow in his walk with Christ. Paul admonishes Timothy to pursue godliness by training himself with spiritual discipline.

**Paul teaches Timothy the value and benefits of spiritual training and growth:**

1. **Paul states spiritual training has value for all things:** What does Paul mean with that? Many of us invest a lot of time exercising to insure we are physically healthy; what about spiritual exercise? How do you do it? We can start by setting a devotional time with the Lord every day in reading His Word, praying, going to Church on Sundays, and attend mid-week Bible Study.
2. **Paul also tells Timothy that spiritual training has benefits for the life to come.** As Christians, we ought to prepare our spirit to meet the Lord. We do not want to meet Him as someone we know very little about. We will be spending eternity with our Lord, it would be wise to mature and be ready to live in holiness.

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**INFORMATION**

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I have recently moved into this area. I have moved, new address.

I am interested in membership. I wish to be on the mailing list.

I would appreciate a visit from the minister. This person is sick.