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**11:00 A.M. November 14, 2021**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ORGAN PRELUDE/QUIET MEDITATION**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN***: #6 “Sing Praise to God”*

*(in English vs. 1-3, in Armenian vs. 3)*

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

Dear Lord, we come to you with a heart of gratitude to give thanks to your holy name. Teach us to give thanks to you in all circumstances, for we know that all things work for good to those who love you and are called by your name. We want to thank you for our lives, our health, our families, our church, and everything that we have and continue to receive from you. You alone deserve our raise because you created everything and you redeemed our lives from the slavery of 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 138***

**PASTOR:** I will praise you, O Lord, with all my heart; before the “gods” I will sing your praise.

**PEOPLE: I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.**

**PASTOR:** When I called, you answered me; you made me bold and stouthearted.

**PEOPLE:** **May all the kings of the earth praise you, O Lord, when they hear the words of your mouth.**

**PASTOR:** May they sing of the ways of the Lord, for the glory of the Lord is great.

**PEOPLE:** **Though the Lord is on high, he looks upon the lowly, but the proud he knows from afar.**

**PASTOR:** Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life; you stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes, with your right hand you save me.

**UNISON: The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your love, O Lord, endures forever—do not abandon the works pf your hands.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHORAL ANTHEM**

**“***Come To Jesus”*

*Ann Bayleran, Soloist*

**\*CONGREGATIONAL SONGS:** *#37 “Everlasting God”*

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE:** *1st Thessalonians 5:16-18 (p. 1841)*

**ENGLISH SERMON: Give Thanks in All Circumstances**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE**: *Ephesians 5:18-20 (p. 1823)*

**ARMENIAN SERMON: Giving Thanks Always**

**\*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 TODAY** is sponsored by Mr. Chuck Sarkissian in memory of his parents Eli and Zevart Sarkissian.

**MEMBERSHIP CLASS** will be held next Sunday, November 21st, at 1:00 p.m. if you are interested in becoming a member of A.C.C. please see Pastor Hagop.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD.** The Sunday School is participating again this year in Operation Christmas Child, a ministry started by Franklin Graham that reaches out to poor and under-privileged children around the world with the good news of the gospel through gifts packed in shoeboxes. If you would like to participate, pick-up a form from the church foyer and return completed boxes no later than Sunday, November 21st.

**FALL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held on Sunday, November 28th **immediately** following the Morning Worship Service, to act on the following items: 1. The proposed budget for 2022**.** 2.Election of members of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Deacons.All members are encouraged to stay after the Morning Worship Service to participate.

**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.

**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 admonishes the Ephesian church (and us, for that matter), that we are to learn to give thanks in all circumstances to God. Why and how is that possible?

**Here are three points that we can draw from Paul:**

1. Before giving thanks, first we need to realize that a life of sin will not help us give thanks to God. First sanctification, then the filling of the Spirit, then thanksgiving comes naturally after that.
2. Speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. When we invest with God’s people in worship, we learn to give thanks.

3. Giving Thanks to God the Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We give thanks because God is love, faithful, good, and worthy of our praise. We do this out of free will because we have a reason to rejoice and say thank you Lord for all that you have done to me through Christ.