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**11:00 A.M. February 13, 2022**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ORGAN PRELUDE/QUIET MEDITATION**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN***: #23 “When Morning Gilds The Skies”*

 *(vs. 1-3 English, vs. 4 Armenian)*

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

Dear Heavenly Father, we come before your presence to thank you for your everlasting love toward us. We know that we can come with confidence before you because you love us unconditionally. We rejoice in the relationship of love we have with you and with one another. We pray that you teach us to love you with all our heart and to love our neighbor as ourselves. Jesus said, “By your love they will know you are my disciples.” We want to share your love with those who have not come to know your love. 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 103:1-18*

**PASTOR:** Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

**PEOPLE: Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits—who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.**

**PASTOR:** The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed.

**PEOPLE:** **He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel:**

**PASTOR:** The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

**PEOPLE:** **He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.**

**PASTOR:** For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

**PEOPLE:** **As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him; for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.**

**PASTOR:** As for man, his days are like grass, he flourishes like a flower of the field; the wind blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more.

**UNISON: But from everlasting to everlasting the Lord’s love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children’s children—with those who keep his covenant and remember to obey his precepts.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHORAL ANTHEM**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL SONGS:** *#35 “Mighty To Save”*

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE:** *1Corinthians 13:1-13 (pp. 1786-1787)*

**ENGLISH SERMON:** **Love Never Fails**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE**: *1 Thessalonians 5:19 (p. 1841)*

**ARMENIAN SERMON: God’s Everlasting Love**

**\*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.

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

**LIVE RADIO PROGRAM** This evening at 6:00-7:00p.m. with Pastor Hagop, hosted by Vaughn Masropian. Be part of the show by calling at 248-557-3300 for Armenian and English prayer requests, also Bible discussions and related topics are welcomed. The Theme this Sunday is “Valentine: God’s Language of Love” on Facebook live at <https://www.facebook.com/ArmenianCongregationalChurch> and at WNZK 690AM, or go to Armeniaradioprogram.com, scroll down to the bottom and click on “Listen Live Now.” A new page will open, click on “WNZK 690AM.” For more information or questions you can contact Pastor Hagop at pastorhagop@accdetroit.org.

**THE YOUNG ADULTS** **GATHERING** is every other Thursday at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. Next gathering will be held on Thursday, February 24th.

**CHURCH SCHEDULE:**

* **Monday Prayer** 6:30 p.m. online via Zoom app.
* **Wednesday Bible Study** is being held every Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. online via Zoom app.

**1CORINTHIANS 13:4-8 *Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always preserves. Love never fails.***

**SYNOPSIS OF THE ARMENIAN SERMON**

In this short passage, God reminds His people, the Israelites, that He will always love them with an everlasting love. God did this to us through Jesus, who gave it all to have us back to Him.

**Here are three points about God’s love:**

1. **God’s love is unconditional.** God didn’t wait for us to make the initiative; He made the move to draw us near to Him. “We love because He first loved us.” (1st John 4:10)
2. **God’s love is sacrificial.** God doesn’t just love us with emotions, He stepped down from heaven and came lived among us and gave His life for us on the cross. This demonstrates the depth of God’s love for us.
3. **God’s love is pure**. Yes, God’s love is pure, with no strings attached! God does not have any ill motives or intentions; He only wants to love you because you are His creation. God is in love with you and never wants to let go of you!