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**11:00 a.m. April 30, 2023**

 **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ORGAN PRELUDE/QUIET MEDITATION**

**CHOIR INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN:** *# 394 “The Church’s One Foundation”*

 *(vs. 1-2 English, vs. 3 Armenian)*

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

Dear Lord, we praise you this morning for who you are. You are the everlasting God, who made the heavens and the earth. You alone deserve our praise. We rejoice in you, knowing that you made us so wonderfully and that your good promises will always be with us; to love us and protect us. May your holy name be glorified in all the earth. May we be your true and bold witnesses to speak of your love and salvation through Jesus our Lord. 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.*

**RESPONSIVE READING:** *Praise the Lord*

**PASTOR:** Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights above.

**PEOPLE:** **Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his heavenly hosts.**

**PASTOR:** Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shinning stars.

**PEOPLE: Praise him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies.**

**PASTOR:** Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

**PEOPLE:** **He set them in place for ever and ever; he gave a decree that will never pass away.**

**PASTOR:** Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths, lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do his bidding.

**PEOPLE:** **You mountains and hills, fruit trees and all cedars.**

**PASTOR:** Wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds.

**PEOPLE:** **Kings of the earth and all nations, you princes and all rulers on earth, young men and maidens, old men and children.**

**PASTOR:** Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.

**PEOPLE:** **He has raised up for his people a horn, the praise of all his saints, of Israel, the people close to his heart.**

**PASTOR:** May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may he rejoice in his works.

**PEOPLE:** **He who looks at the earth and it trembles.**

**PASTOR:** I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

**UNISON: Praise the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord.**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**

**CONGREGATIONAL SONG:** *#15 “Thy Word”*

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE**: *John 21:20-23 (pp. 1688-1689)*

**ENGLISH SERMON: Following Jesus Without Wavering**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE:** *Matthew 28:16-20 (p. 1550)*

**ARMENIAN SERMON: The Great Commission**

**\*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 Susan Mousigian, Dr. Richard Marburger, George and Ann Krikorian, Jan Janigian, Glenn Harrison.

**A.C.C. EXTENDS ITS HEARTFELT THANKS** to Brian Margosian with the help of Tom Margosian, Bradley, and Michael Banerian for donating their valuable time and installing WIFI in our Sanctuary and Social Hall.

**MONDAY PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP** is held every Monday via zoom at 6:30 p.m.

**GRACE CENTERS OF HOPE –**The Missions Committee is accepting donations for their Spring and Summer Clothing Drive for Adults and Children today through next Sunday, May 7th.  If necessary, you can drop off your donations on Wednesday and Friday between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.  Please contact Missions Committee Chairperson Carole Basmadjian if you have any questions.  Thank you!

**NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 7TH** we will have AMAA Representative Mr. Harout Nercessian as our English sermon guest speaker. He will also be doing a presentation in the Social Hall following the Morning Worship Service. Refreshments will be provided.

**WEDNESDAY BI-WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY** will be held May 10th at 6:30 p.m. in person and online via Zoom app.

**WOMEN'S BI-WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP & BIBLE STUDY** will be held Saturday, May 13th at 10:15 a.m. in person and online via Zoom app.

**SUNDAY, MAY 14TH, IS MOTHER’S DAY.** This is your invitation to join us in the Morning Worship Service to pay tribute to our mothers. Following the Morning Worship Service at 12:30 p.m. join us for a complimentary ***Mother’s Day******Buffet Luncheon*** sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Dennis and Sheryl Marburger. Please sign your name on the Sign-up Sheet in the Social Hall with Sheryl.

**SYNOPSIS OF THE ARMENIAN SERMON**

After His resurrection, Jesus appeared to His disciples, the women who followed Him and cared for His needs and the needs of His disciples, and to as many as 500 witnesses. Before His ascension back to the Father, Jesus gave them the great commission to be prepared for the task that is ahead of them; that is, to preach the Gospel to all nations.

**Here are some points about suffering:**

**1. “When they saw Him, they worshiped Him, but some doubted.”** The worthy lamb that was slain on the cross for His disciples (and for that matter, for us all), is now receiving what He deserves, and that is, worship. The disciples could not do anything less than that. We all worship the risen Lord, who conquered over sin and death to give us the free gift of eternal life. The scripture says that some doubted. The Greek word for doubt is “distazo.” This word does not indicate a settled unbelief, but a state of uncertainty and hesitation. What would you and I do, if we saw a person bodily resurrected? It might take us some time to comprehend the reality of such never seen before reality, right? The disciples were in awe and shock; as we would be too.

**2. “Go, make disciples of all nations.”** Jesus did not say go and make converts, rather, he said, “disciples”, which means a student. A student is always learning to grow to become mature. We are not called to just believe; rather, we are called to grow daily in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We each have the privilege to be the ambassadors to proclaim the good news to those we are surrounded with.

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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

 Requesting prayer for\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Need Counseling