



ARMENIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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11:00 A.M.

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SUNDAY SERVICE

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN – “Just As I am, Without a Plea”

INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (in unison)

Dear Lord, we come to you by faith and full confidence that you hear our prayer right now. We have full trust and confidence in your promises, unfailing love, faithfulness, righteousness, and great promises for us not to ever leave us or forsake us. We pray that you increase our faith and trust in you no matter what happens. We know your Word says you are unchanging in your promises to love us and provide for us our needs. We also know your Word tells us that if we seek your kingdom and righteousness, we will lack nothing. Lord we want you to be our first love and we want to seek your righteousness above all things. We give you all the honor and praise, who taught us to pray,, “Our Father...”

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

THE APOSTLES’ CREED (in unison)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN – “Agnus Dei”

ENGLISH AND ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE: Hebrews 11:1-6 | 2 Tim 4:7-8

ENGLISH AND ARMENIAN SERMON: *True and lasting faith in God | A Triumphant Faith*

BENEDICTION

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SYNOPSIS OF THE ARMENIAN SERMON

The Apostle Paul was able to boldly and confidently declare that He has completed his call and task that the Lord had put before him. He says he ‘ought the good fight, finished the race, and kept the faith.’ As the saying goes, it is not how you start, it is how you finish.

Here are three points about having a triumphant faith:

1. We must fight the good fight: God did not call us into His kingdom to live a life of defeat. Jesus said He already overcame the world, crushed the head of Satan, therefore there is nothing for us to fear. If we put our trust in Him, He will provide us the strength to overcome sin.

2. We must finish the race: As the saying goes, it is not how you start it, it’s how you finish it. We started a new journey when we accepted Christ into our lives. Now what remains is we stay in the race that God has called us into; not to get weary and tired in doing what is right. We are called to proclaim the Gospel and to live it out even if we need to suffer for it. At the end, the Lord will reward us for finishing the race well.

3. We must keep the faith: Keeping our faith, i.e., our full confidence and trust in the Lord at all times. It takes a good and healthy relationship to trust in someone. God wants us to have intimate relationship with Him. He wants us to know Him personally so that we understand His intentions are always good for us. Once we know that, we will want to please Him by faith, because we do not see Him, but we do sense His blessings and presence in our lives.