**Armenian Congregational Church of Greater Detroit**

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**11:00 a.m. April 7, 2024**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ORGAN PRELUDE/QUIET MEDITATION**

**CHOIR INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN:** *# 15 “Come Now, Almighty King”*

 *(vs. 1-2 in English, vs. 4 in Armenian)*

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

Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you for giving us this day to come before your presence to worship and adore you for who you are. You have given us a new life through the death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We live with full trust and confidence that you will resurrect our lowly bodies into your heavenly presence, when Christ returns to take us home. We pray that you help us continue to share the resurrection of Christ to those we encounter so that they too may receive the gift of eternal life. 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:** *Psalm 148*

**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 shining 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,

**PEOPLE: lighting and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do His bidding,**

**PASTOR:** you mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, 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.

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

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL SONG:** *37 “Everlasting God”*

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE**: *1 Corinthians 15:42-55 (pp. 1791)*

**ENGLISH SERMON: Bearing the Image of the Heavenly Man**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE:** *1 Corinthians 15:56-58 (pp. 1791-1792)*

**ARMENIAN SERMON: Being Fully Devoted to the Work of the Lord**

**\*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 Armenia, Glenn Harrison, Jan Janigian, Susan Mousigian, and Dr. Richard Marburger.

**THE COFFEE HOUR TODAY** is sponsored by Tony Janigian, in honor of Chuck Sarkissian’s birthday.

**REV. HAGOP AND HIS WIFE NUNE** will be traveling this evening to California, returning Friday, April 19. Rev. Hagop will be attending AEUNA Board of Directors meetings and also AEUNA Pastors Retreat. If you need to get in touch with him, you can email him at pastorhagop@accdetroit.org, or call him at 818-749-2781.

**MISSION BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER** Thank you to everyone who participated in baking goodies for the bake sale, and thank you to everyone that purchased to help the Armenia missionary trip to support the people of Armenia.

**APRIL 24 GENOCIDE COMMEMORATION** by the four churches of Greater Detroit is being held at St. John Armenian Apostolic Church, at 7pm. A light afterglow will follow.

**27th BIENNIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLYOF THE AEUNA** will be held in the Bay Area, from June 27-30, 2024 at the Hyatt Regency, San Francisco Airport, CA. The theme is “Unite & Ignite” 1 Corinthians 12:12. Please register online at [biennial2024.org](http://biennial2024.org/) (Early Bird, $349/each, until April 11) (April 12 - May 23, $399) (May 24 - June 6, $499). AEYF, ages 12-25, $549 for early birds until April 11. Children 0-11, $149. You can pick up a flyer after the church service. If you have questions, please see Rev. Hagop.

**SYNOPSIS OF THE ARMENIAN SERMON**

Last Sunday we celebrated the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Today, we will be looking at the power of the resurrection of Christ that can transform our lives into His likeness in character; and ultimately clothe us with a glorified body, when He returns.

**Here are some points about the power of the resurrection of Christ:**

1. **“The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law, but thanks be to God! He gives us victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”** After the disobedience of Adam and Eve, death became the result that all of humankind suffers. The good news is that Jesus conquered over sin and death and therefore gave us the hope of eternal life. He will transform our lowly bodies into a heavenly one, and clothe us with glorified bodies that will never die or see pain.
2. **“Stand firm, let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.”** After becoming a believer, the key is to grow strong and stand firm in our faith, until the end of our lives. This requires dedication and commitment, in order to resist all the corruption of the world. Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.