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**Happy Mother’s Day**

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**11:00 a.m. May 12, 2024**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ORGAN PRELUDE/QUIET MEDITATION**

**CHOIR INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN:** *# 413 “Blessed Assurance”*

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

Blessed Assurance - Orhnyal Yerashkheek

(Armenian Transliteration, Verse #3)

Ahl zees hants-nadz em ah-nor paz-gats,

Hooyzh yer-chah-neeg em, ahn-vakh ahn-gas-gadz

Eer pah-roo-tyam-peh leh-tsoon ho-kees,

Mee-yag eer seh-ruh neu-teh yer-kees.

Beedee bad-mem meench shoon-chus ver-cheen

Oo yer-kem sern an-hoon eem Purg-cheen.

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

Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you on this special day as we celebrate Mother’s Day. We know you are our heavenly Father and you created mothers to be a blessing to their children and their husbands and all people. We thank you for all the mothers who have left us and are with you, and for all the mothers who are still with us and continue to serve you faithfully. We ask that you continue to strengthen them and protect them from the evil one. May they always be filled with your love and live a life of blessing with their family and shine the light of Christ to all the mothers who do not know you. 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: *Proverbs 31:10-31***

**PASTOR:** A wife of noble character who can find? She is worth far more than rubies.

**PEOPLE:** **Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value.**

**PASTOR:** She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life. She selects wool and flax and works with eager hands.

**PEOPLE: She is like merchant ships, bringing her food from afar. She gets up while it is still dark; she provides food for her family and portions for her servant girls.**

**PASTOR:** She considers a field and buys it, out of her earnings she plants a vineyard. She sets about her work vigorously; her arms are strong for her task.

**PEOPLE: She sees that her trading is profitable, and her lamp does not go out at night. In her hand she holds the distaff and grasps the spindle with her fingers.**

**PASTOR:** She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy. When it snows, she has no fear for her household; for all of them are clothed in scarlet.

**PEOPLE: She makes coverings for her bed; she is clothed in fine linen and purple. Her husband is respected at the city gate, where he takes his seat among the elders of the land.**

**PASTOR:** She makes linen garments and sells them, and supplies the merchants with sashes.

**PEOPLE: She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come.**

**PASTOR:** She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instructions are on her tongue.

**PEOPLE:** **She watches over the affairs of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness.**

**PASTOR:** Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: “Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all. “

**PEOPLE: Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.**

**UNISON: Give her the reward she has earned, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL SONG:** *#14 “You Are My All In All”*

**DEVOTIONAL – *April Tini***

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE**: *2 King 4:8-37 (pp. 574-576)*

**ENGLISH SERMON: The Growing Faith of the Shunammite Woman**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE:** *2 King 4:1-17 (pp.574-575)*

**ARMENIAN SERMON: The Faith of the Widowed Mother**

**\*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 FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR THIS MORNING** are sponsored by Sheryl and Dennis Marburger, in loving memory of their mothers Mary Kupalian Marburger and Margaret Bruttel.

**FOLLOWING** the Morning Worship Service, at 12:30 p.m., please join us for a complimentary Mother’s Day Luncheon.

**ENTERED HIS REST** Harry Artin Berberian on Wednesday, April 24th.We extend our deepest condolences to the Berberian and Haidostian families. May the Lord comfort the families.

**CONGRAGULATIONS** to Roger and Nancy Berschbach on the birth of their 15th great-grandchild, ***Matilda May Berschbach***, born on April 29th. Proud parents are Brad and Lindsey Berschbach.

**MANY THANKS** to Rouben and Jacob Arslanian, and Tony Janigian for completing the renovation of the office restroom. We truly thank them for their many hours of hard work and dedication.

**NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 19TH**, we welcome Rev. Ron and his wife Renee Tovmassian from AEUNA. Rev. Ron will deliver the English Sermon. After the church service there will be a light reception in the Social Hall in honor of Rev. Ron and Rene's visit.

**CHURCH RETREAT** will be held on August 23- 24, 2024, at Echo Grove Camp & Retreat Center of the Salvation Army, 1101 Camp Rd., Leonard, MI. Cost is $120 per person (includes one night stay and 4 meals; Children 4-11 are $60). Saturday only: 3 meals is $80; 2 meals is $60. Deposit of $50 is required at sign-up. Deadline for sign-up is today, Sunday, May 12. If you are interested in attending, please see Cathy Brito after the Morning Worship Service in the Social Hall.