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**11:00 a.m. July 14, 2024**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**ORGAN PRELUDE/QUIET MEDITATION**

**CHOIR INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN:*****Holy, Holy, Holy****, # 78*

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

Soorp yes, Soorp Yes, Soorp Yes, Ov Hzor Asdvadz Mér

An-hah-mar Kord-zért Géh Koh-vén Kou Véh Anoon

Soorp Yes, Soorp Yes, Soorp Yes, Ov Ahmén-no-ghorm Déhr

Ov Too Yeryag Ahnts, Me Asdvadz Ahn-hoon.

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

Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you this day for bringing us together to worship

you. As your children, we want to follow you wherever you take us. Help us walk with integrity and love toward one another. May our walk always be blameless before you. We want to be fully devoted to you and follow your footsteps to the way of love, holiness, and righteousness. May your Spirit guide us and lead us to springs of living water. May our lives be fruitful and effective, to impact the world with 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 25:1-13*

**PASTOR:** To you, Lord, I lift up my soul; in you I trust, O my God.

**PEOPLE: Do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

**PASTOR:** No one whose hope is in you will ever be put to shame who are treacherous without excuse.

**PEOPLE: Show me your ways, O Lord, teach me your paths; guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.**

**PASTOR:** Remember, O Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.

**PEOPLE: Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember, for you are good, O Lord.**

**PASTOR:** Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.

**PEOPLE:** **He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way.**

**PASTOR:** All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful for those who keep the demands of his covenant.

**PEOPLE:** **For the sake of your name, O Lord, forgive my iniquity, though it is great.**

**PASTOR:** Who, then, is the man that fears the Lord? He will instruct him in the way chosen for him.

**UNISON: He will spend his days in prosperity, and his descendants will inherit the land.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL SONG: That’s Why We Praise Him,** *#13*

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE**: *Luke 9:57-62 (p.1611)*

**ENGLISH SERMON: The Cost and Blessing of Following Jesus**

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE:** *Colossians 2:6-10 (p.1833)*

**ARMENIAN SERMON: Rooted and Built in Christ**

**\*HAYR MER:** *#275*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** *"Park Kéz Dér, Asdvadz Mér"*

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

**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.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** Robert and Rosemarie Pollum are happy to announce the birth of their first child, Griffin Nicholas Pollum. Griffin was born on July 7th. He weighed 7-lb. 1-oz. and was 21 inches long at birth. He is the grandson of Michael and Susan Mousigian.

**ARMENIA FEST** will be held next Saturday, July 20th, at 5:00p.m. at Royal Oak Farmers Market. Please sign up after the Sunday Service in the Social Hall if you are interested in making something to fundraise for our church.

**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. Today is the deadline. If you signed up for Friday & Saturday, the amount is $70, totaling $120. For those coming Saturday only, the remainder is $30, totaling $80. Make checks payable to ACC, in the memo indicate Church Retreat.

**ACC** is looking for volunteers to set-up or clean-up for Coffee Hour**.** If you are interested in helping, please sign-up after the Morning Worship Service in the Social Hall, or see Chuck Sarkissian.

**IS YOUR ANNIVERSARY, BIRTHDAY OR GRADUATION** approaching? Why not share your celebration with the church family by sponsoring the Fellowship Hour or Altar Flowers. Please sign your name on the Bulletin Board, call the Church Office or email Susan at [Office@accdetroit.org](mailto:Office@accdetroit.org).

**SYNOPSIS OF THE ARMENIAN SERMON**

Paul exhorts the believers to continue to live their lives by being rooted and built up in Christ. Following Christ means growing each and every day in knowing Him more and more.

**Here are some points about following Christ:**

1. **“See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy.”** Following Christ means to be alert to reject anything that contradicts the teachings of Jesus. All that the world portrays has to be well examined and filtered, only taking in what is good and in accordance with God’s Word.
2. **“In Christ you have been brought to the fullness.”** This is the reality of living in Christ, the fact that we have the fullness of His possession so that we lack nothing. We have all that we need to overcome sin and the power of the devil. We have obtained all the spiritual weaponry for the spiritual welfare that we need to defeat satan and conquer over sin.