

April 5, 2026  
11:00 AM



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## **EASTER SUNDAY** **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

### **ORGAN PRELUDE**

### **LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

### **CHOIR ANTHEMS**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*HYMN** - #202 “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”  
Vs.1-2 English; vs.3 Armenian transliteration

*Ir grads ayn tarn daknab, Alleluia*  
*Mer sirooyn haved eh gab, Alleluia*  
*Vor srden har-kins hassni, Alleluia*  
*Oor Hissooss ispar hank-chi, Alleluia*

### **\*INVOCATION** (in unison)

Almighty God, Who has brought from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, and Who used His death upon the cross to bring about our redemption, grant us the faith to believe that every good which seems to be overcome by evil, and every love which seems to be buried in darkness and death, shall rise again to life immortal; through Christ, the risen Lord, Who taught us to pray.

**\*HAYR MER** - #275

## **THE EASTER MEDITATION AND PRAYER**

**PASTOR:** Christ is risen!

**PEOPLE:** He is risen indeed!

**PASTOR:** Lift up your hearts!

**PEOPLE:** We will lift them up unto the Lord.

**PASTOR:** We praise you, O Lord, for bringing from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, using his death upon the cross to bring about our redemption.

**PEOPLE:** Praise be to Your holy name.

**PASTOR:** We pray for those who are battling life-threatening illness, that they may renew their hope through Christ’s resurrection.

**PEOPLE:** We pray for those who are dragged down by the weight of despair, that they may renew their hope through Christ’s resurrection.

**PASTOR:** May our celebration of Easter, renew our faith in the Risen Lord.

**UNISON:** Blessed be the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

**CHORAL RESPONSE** – “*Soorp Asdvads*”

### **ANTHEM**

### **NOTICES AND CONCERNS**

### **PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING WITH CHOIR**

### **\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**ENGLISH SCRIPTURE READING:** I Corinthians 15:12-22

(p. 1289-90), read by Tom Margosian

**ENGLISH SERMON:** *Christ Has Not Been Raised*

**\*HYMN** - #201 *“Low in the Grave He Lay”* (vs.1, 3)

**ARMENIAN SCRIPTURE READING:** Luke 24:1-6 (p.1642),

read by Dr. Taline Hagopian

**ARMENIAN SERMON:** *“Why Do I Believe in the Resurrection of Christ?”*

**\*HYMN** - #199 *“Yours Is the Glory”* (vs.1, 3)

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** *“Park Kez Der, Asdvadz Mer”*

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

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**\*Congregation is requested to stand.**

**\*\*\*Latecomers may be seated.**

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**BLESSED EASTER TO ALL!**

*“Kristos Haryav Ee Merelots.  
Orhnyal Eh Harootyunen Kristosee!”*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ACC EXPRESSES ITS HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES:** to Ms. Ovsanna Dervartanian and her sisters, on the passing of their brother, Hagop.

**MANY THANKS TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE:** for preparing and serving Easter Breakfast and thank you to those who helped in the kitchen.

**ON APRIL 24, WE ARE CELEBRATING THE 111<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMENIAN REMEMBRANCE:** by the four Armenian churches of Greater Detroit, which is being held at St. John’s at 7:00pm. A light afterglow will follow.

**MOTHER’S DAY, MAY 10<sup>th</sup>:** This is an invitation to join us in the morning worship service, to pay tribute to our mothers. Following the morning worship service, at 12:30pm, join us for a complimentary luncheon. Please sign your name on the sign-up sheet in the Social Hall.