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WHAT TO GIVE UP FOR LENT

1. Give up grumbling ... instead ... in everything, give thanks.
2. Give up 10-15 minutes in bed ... instead ... use that time in prayer.
3. Give up looking at people's worst points ... instead ... concentrate on their best ones.
4. Give up speaking unkindly ... instead ... let your speech be generous understanding.
5. Give up your worries ... instead ... trust God with them.
6. Give up hatred or dislike of anyone ... instead ... learn to love.
7. Give up the fear which prevents Christian witness ... instead ... seek courage to speak to others.
8. Give up concentrating on Sunday newspapers ... instead ... study your Bible.
9. Give up TV one evening ... instead ... visit some lonely or sick person.
10. Give up buying anything but essentials for yourself ... instead ... give the money to God's work.
11. Give up judging by appearances and by the standards of the world ... instead ... learn to...
12. Give up yourself ... to God.

— World Christian Digest

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- March
- 1 - Ash Wednesday
 - 2 - Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.
 - 3 - World Day of Prayer
 - 5 - Sunday School, all ages-10 a.m. Worship-11 a.m. **First Sunday in Lent; Communion; “Sharing the Spirit” Open Forum, 8:30 a.m.**
 - 6 - UCC New Members evening, 7 p.m., Armenian Martyrs’ Social Hall
 - 7 - Deacons Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
 - 9 - Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.
 - 12 - Sunday School, all ages-10 a.m. Worship-11 a.m. **Second Sunday in Lent**
 - 14 - Trustees Meeting, 8 p.m.
 - 15 - Senior Fellowship Meeting and Luncheon, 10:30 a.m.
 - 16 - Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.
 - 19 - Sunday School, all ages-10 a.m. Worship-11 a.m. **Third Sunday in Lent**
 - 23 - Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.
 - 26 - Sunday School, all ages-10 a.m. Worship-11 a.m. **Fourth Sunday in Lent**
 - 30 - Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.
- April
- 2 - Sunday School, all ages-10 a.m. Worship-11 a.m. **Fifth Sunday in Lent; “Sharing the Spirit” Open Forum, 8:30 a.m.; Feeding of Homeless Men at Old First**
 - 4 - Deacons Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
 - 6 - Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.
 - 9 - Sunday School, all ages-10 a.m. Worship-11 a.m. **Sixth Sunday in Lent; Palm Sunday**
 - 11 - Trustees Meeting, 8 p.m.
 - 13 - **Maundy Thursday Dinner & Communion Service, 7 p.m., Social Hall**
 - 14 - **Good Friday**
 - 16 - Sunday School, all ages-10 a.m. Worship-11 a.m. **Easter Sunday**
 - 19 - Senior Fellowship Meeting and Luncheon, 10:30 a.m.
 - 20 - Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.

Reminders!

- Sunday School for all ages begins 10 a.m. each Sunday morning.
- The Flower Chart has dates available (minimum of \$35.00). Please donate flowers and let others enjoy your gift!
- The Coffee Hour sign-up sheet has dates available (minimum of \$50.00).
- There are plenty of dates available for signing up to be a Nursery School volunteer. Help out Toni!
- We are still collecting postage stamps and greeting cards used for The Wyncote Church Home.
- We are still collecting Acme sales receipts. The church gets 1% of the total.

Miss a Bulletin? They're all posted on our website: www.amucc.com



FROM PASTOR GARY'S PEN . . .

I think alot about “Sharing the Spirit.” I want this initiative to succeed. Armenian Martyrs’ is a wonderful church. The church, as we know, is not a building or a place, but rather, it is people. This means, of course, that you are wonderful. Each of you, all of you, and all of us together.

It is very important that we are honest about ourselves and what we have to offer others. Compared to other churches, our programs need a good bit of work. Children’s and youth ministries need to be improved, for example. But there is something that is even more basic than the programs that we offer, and, I believe it is something vital to our church’s future. It is vital that we are a community that is centered in Christ’s love for all people.

People shop for churches. They visit and compare and finally decide. They check out programs, facilities, music, and sermons. All of this is very important, but I believe underneath all the visiting and comparing, there is something else that is going on. I believe people walk in the door of every church they visit with a *need for community!* I believe that people visit churches with a conscious or unconscious question about how they will be accepted, listened to, and loved.

Reflect! Some of you come to be with the people of this church community from some distance. Maybe worship is good. We know the choir is great, and we never know what they are going to do. And maybe every once in a while, I preach a decent sermon. But you pass other churches on the way, churches that have choirs as good as ours. You may pass by better preachers to get here (and I’ll bet you can hear them better!). Aren’t *you* here because among these people you *know without a doubt that you are wanted, accepted, and cared for?* You know that if you made a need known, others would rush to help!

What a gift you are to the others who gather with you. Jesus calls us to be this same gift to others who are in need — all people, in whatever circumstance, young or old, rich or poor, sane or not, from the right side of the tracks or the wrong. Jesus wants a community that loves and cares for everyone. And this is why we must do all we can to bring others into our community so they might experience and know what we have.

Let’s work to grow programs and opportunities that meet the needs of people. Let’s do whatever we can with whatever it takes to provide excellent children’s and youth ministries. Let’s provide the same for our aged. And the same for those so busy rearing children and providing for their futures that there is hardly a moment to breathe. Let’s do everything we can to help others grow in their experience of the love of Christ.

You know, we can begin right now. We can do something that costs no money and requires that no program be developed. It will cost us, though — some time and a willingness to set aside ourselves for a while. I’m talking about *listening*. Henri Nouwen, in a little but powerful book titled *Christian Community*, lists listening as one of the most central and vital components of a community. I know he is right, because if we listen, we hear the heart of the other, we hear the joy or sorrow, or their want and need. During the “Blizzard of 2006,” Dillon was home from school with the chicken pox. His first few days were miserable, but after that, he returned to his usual self. On Monday after the storm, as I was working hard to restore our guest room, Dillon came in and said: “Dad, I think Bandit (our dog) needs to play with you in the snow.” Those were his words, but his smile and bright eyes said something different. What I heard was: “Put down that hammer, Dad, and pay attention to me.” We wrestled for a while on the basement floor, and each of us went back to what we were doing with a good feeling.

People tell us what is happening, what they need, where they hurt, if we but listen. There is no deeper or loving thing to do than listen to another. Let’s begin now. Let’s practice. Let’s listen to each other. Let’s love in a way that the world cannot. It’s where we ought to begin. Share the Spirit!!

Pastor Gary

“Sharing the Spirit”

“Sharing the Spirit” (STS) got a running start for 2006 when the Strategic Planning Task Force hosted a kickoff program and coffee hour on January 8 following the worship service. Members of the task force gave a presentation that featured an overview of STS, a review of the budget, plans for the STS fund drive, projected timelines, and a special focus on opportunities for congregational involvement. Church members were invited to participate in a variety of ways, including speaking during the “STS Moments” during worship, joining one of the STS project teams, attending monthly Forum meetings and being on call to volunteer for other activities along the way. Time for discussion and questions followed.

“Sharing the Spirit Moments” provide an opportunity for individuals to speak to the congregation during worship each week about their personal experience of God’s presence in their lives, how sharing the spirit is important to them, and how our church has made a difference for them. Since the STS Moments were initiated on January 8, Tim DeMirjian, Mary Loiselle, John Paulson and Don Uber have provided moving insights into their lives and their faith. If you would like to share your own experience, please speak to Tim DeMirjian.

Four teams have been formed to create and produce the communications tools that are central to the STS program:

- general brochure (Mary Loiselle with Lucille Balukjian and Charles DeMirjian)
- themed brochures (Tim DeMirjian with Jeannette Keshishian and Denise VanRoy)
- website (Karen Bogosian with Pat Arcaro, Elaine Farashian, Ed Kaiserian and Nicole Uber)
- signage (Harry Stephey with Marian Buchakjian, Marge Bogosian and Cindy Hamill)

Team members gathered before church on January 15 for their initial meetings. Creative

briefs suggesting the objectives, target audience and content for each project were provided for each team. Since then the teams have been hard at work researching and developing detailed outlines, which will become the basis for writing the text and designing the materials. Updates on each team’s progress will be given at the monthly Forum meetings. The projected timeline for the creative and production work to be completed is late spring to early summer.

The first STS Open Forum meeting was held on February 5, with a continental breakfast at 8:30 followed by a presentation from the four team chairs at 9:00. Updates were given on the focus and scope of each project, as well as initial thoughts on content. Prior to opening the floor for discussion, church members were asked to write down the answers to two questions: “What are our most appealing traits as a church?” and “What would you tell your friends about our church?” Members were also asked to look at websites, brochures and signage of other churches and bring ideas to the team chairs. We will be asking for help from more people as we progress. Please plan to attend future Forum meetings on the first Sunday of each month.

Fundraising letters were mailed in February to all church members asking for support for the \$20,600 STS budget. Please be generous in supporting this important investment in the future of AMCC.

There are many ways to get on board and participate in “Sharing the Spirit.” Every member is an important part of our church body, and offering your unique talents and skills will make a difference in how well we succeed in “Sharing the Spirit” within our church and with our friends and community.

—Karen Bogosian, Mary Loiselle, Harry Stephey and Tim DeMirjian (Strategic Planning Task Force)

**Please plan to attend the next “Sharing the Spirit” Open Forum
Sunday, March 5
8:30—Continental Breakfast
9:00—Presentation and Discussion**

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THANK YOU

“Dorothy and I appreciate your remembrance of us in your prayers and your gift of a fruit basket through Blake Florist. They delivered it right into our apartment. Dorothy is still on medication for getting her heart functioning properly. My elbow is in a cast since Wednesday. There is no break in my wrist — no new pains!

“Thank you for caring.”

— Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Grau

NOTE: Rev. Dr. Grau fell in the church parking lot after substitute preaching for Pastor Gary.

KRIKORIAN UPDATE

Condensed from an email dated January 26, 2006:

“An Update from Bolivia: Ray Rising emailed us to say that Pablo, the recordist for the Chiquitano radio programs, just brought in four more programs. Pablo and Miguel did these recordings using a recorder-to-recorder method, much simpler than when the computer is involved.... Continue to pray with us that God will be glorified among the Chiquitanos as they hear these programs.

“Thanks for praying for Serge and me as we learn the ins and outs of our ministries here in the Wycliffe Northwest office. We’re learning many new things, and stretching and growing.

“We’ll keep you informed, and thank you so much for your prayers.”

— Marge Krikorian

Serge and Marge are currently looking for a church to attend.

Change of Address

Serge and Marge Krikorian
4200 SE Jennings Avenue
Portland, OR 97267
serge-margekrikorian@sil.org

Marge reports that they welcome mail from all their “cheerleaders.”

MISSION DAY IN CAMDEN

During our Mission Day in Camden on Dec. 24, I met a man named Clarence who was volunteering with Tommy Williams’ group, New Covenant Ministries. Clarence told me that he had been incarcerated most of his life, in just about every prison in New Jersey, and for everything you could imagine. He said that every week, Tommy and his fellow believers would go into the jail in Camden and talk about God’s love and what Jesus had done for them and could do for everyone.

One day, that message became real for Clarence, and he asked Jesus to forgive him and come into his life. From that day on, he said he was a different man. He has not missed a day of work in two years, and he even makes overtime. His face lit up when he delighted in telling me, “This year, I even bought my mother a gift from Strawbridge’s.”

May God continue to bless Tommy and his ministry for shining Christ’s light into the dark places in Camden’s prisons and streets.

Thanks be to God, Ruth Melian

TRUSTEES MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

Present: John Devedjian, Carol Kaiserian, Denise Van Roy, John Melian, Marge Bogosian, Don Uber, Vicken Keshishian, and James Gulezian.

Treasurers' Report: The Operating Fund Report as of Full Year 2005 was reviewed and discussed in great detail. Concern was raised regarding the \$26,939 shortfall for 2005.

Meeting Highlights:

1. Copier: The current lease on the copier runs through 2006.
2. Lawn & Grounds Care: Is the trimming of bushes covered under our base contract? Yes. Other items, such as summer plantings, do not fall under this agreement. John Devedjian asked Marge Bogosian to be the liaison with Mayfield Florist.
3. Basement Doors: John Devedjian got an estimate from John Altoonian for the prospective work on the drainage, walls, door replacement, etc., that totaled \$10,700. He stated that Rocky Caruso was in the process of obtaining an estimate from another contractor and that John Hamill, Rocky Caruso, and Paul Santangelo would review the estimate(s) when they arrive.
4. Sanctuary Temperature: There was much discussion concerning this issue.
5. Sound System Committee's Recommendations: The Committee (Mary Loiselle, John Melian, Pastor Gary) developed the following recommendations: 1) acquire one new amplifier; 2) replace the existing speakers; 3) add three microphones so that we have 3 handheld and 3 lapel mikes; 4) purchase an excellent CD player; 5) move the equipment out from under the pulpit so that it is not underfoot; and 6) acquire equipment that is expandable. It was stated that Karen Bogosian would amend the proposal from Audio Sound in accordance with our current needs. John Melian stated that the overall cost should be approximately \$5,000.
6. Fire Extinguishers: Inspected and approved.

— *John Devedjian, Chairman*

THANK YOU

Armenian Martyrs' Congregational Church paid tribute to us as retiring Sunday School co-Superintendents during the worship service on Sunday, January 29, 2006. We were honored by Ruth Melian's kind words and Pastor Gary's thoughtful comments.

We have to thank the Boards, the Christian Education Committee, and the entire church for the Bibles and crosses given to commemorate our years of service. A special thank you to those who prepared the Fellowship Hour reception after worship.

Most importantly, we have been honored to be entrusted with the education of the children of this church for so many years. It has been so rewarding to watch the children grow in their understanding of God's word and apply what they have learned as they go out into the world.

— *Anna Marie Benlian*

— *Jeannette Keshishian*

FOOD FOR THE HOMELESS

"I was hungry and you gave me food," Matthew 25:35

Most food banks are in short supply after the rush of giving during the holiday season, but "hunger knows no calendar."

The Missions Committee would like non-perishable food and monetary donations only, please.

"Sharing the Spirit" can come in a variety of forms, including food donations.

— *Diane DeMirjian*



**Daylight Savings Begins
Sunday, April 2.
Set 1 hour ahead.**

SECOND ADDRESSES

We would like to start sending out "second address" mail using first class postage. Bulk mail is not always delivered to second addresses. Please contact the office to confirm your second address and the dates you are typically at that address, and we will do our best to accommodate you. If we do not hear from you, you will not be receiving the monthly Bulletin at your alternate address.

Please call Amy in the office at: 610-446-3330, or email: amcchavpa@yahoo.com. If you are missing any back issues that you would like to have, please let us know that, too.

ATTENTION ALL SENIORS

Our luncheon meetings will resume on Wednesday, March 15, at 10:30 a.m. We look forward to getting together again after our winter hiatus. Come enjoy a delicious lunch of hearty soups and a special Lenten video. If you would like to help this month, please call Cindy Hamill, 610-789-7831. Everyone is welcome.

— Lucille Tashjian

WELCOME!

To Antonia “Toni” Grostas, our new Nursery Attendant. She is the mother of two delightful children, ages 4 and 6, and has 13 nieces and nephews.



EASTER TULIPS

Tulips will be placed in the Sanctuary for our Easter celebration on Sunday, April 16. The deadline for ordering is April 9. See or call Florence Devedjian, 610-399-9373, for more details or to place an order.

— Lucille Tashjian

PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

By now, everyone should have gotten their copy of the AMCC All-Church Profile sponsored by the Pastoral Search Committee. The more information we have to go on, the more closely we can match the needs of our church community. If you have not yet sent in your form, please do so as soon as possible. Some of the issues covered in the form are: short-term and long-term goals, character, ethnicity, and stances on faith issues.

Talk to us! We need to hear from you. All responses will be kept strictly confidential, and no names are required on the form.

Please send the completed form to the church office, 100 N. Edmonds Avenue, Havertown, PA 19083, marked ATTN: Joan Momjian.

LETTER FROM BEIRUT

“Oh, East is East and West is West,
and never the twain shall meet,
Till Earth and Sky stand presently
at God’s great Judgment Seat.”

(Ballad of East and West)

Rudyard Kipling’s words about East and West seem to have proven correct, after all. Here in Lebanon, we are seeing crisis after crisis, division after division play out before our eyes. If nothing else, each event, each pronouncement reminds us how far people are from understanding and respecting each other, and how determined people can be so as to keep it that way.

Maria and I face our own challenges in understanding people and helping them understand us as we go about our daily tasks. Once, when meeting with two students who got into an overly heated argument, Haigazian University’s disciplinary committee found out that one of the boys had insulted the other’s female relations. It was a matter of honor for the other to respond. Try as I might, I could not convince them that they were not preserving anyone’s honor by their actions. Instead, the one boy tried to convince me that it would have been wrong for him to do nothing.

On other occasions there is a more hopeful outcome. Last month at our weekly Bible discussion, a student, a self-described “atheist” from a non-Christian background, gave his opinion about the topic: “Communicating with God.” He insisted that a perfect being, such as God, would violate the rules of his own nature by communicating with imperfect human beings. I told him: “You’re exactly right! And that’s the very reason God sent his Son – to bridge that unbridgeable gap.” Of course, he objected to calling Jesus “God,” but his comment nonetheless helped the group, representing a mixture of religions, to understand the great privilege we have in being called children of God through Jesus.

We’ll write about Maria’s challenges next time. Thanks for your words of encouragement and your prayers in this mission.

— Rev. Nishan and Maria Bakalian
February 15, 2006

**Next News Bulletin deadline:
MARCH 15**

**Welcome Back
Senior Fellowship. March 15!!**

E. HOWARD BEDROSSIAN

January 15, 2006

Adapted from an article in The Philadelphia Inquirer

Ophthalmologist E. Howard Bedrossian died of heart failure. The Drexel Hill resident came from a family that has provided eye care to Delaware County residents for more than 82 years. The practice was established by his father Edward in 1923. In the 1950s, Dr. Bedrossian took over and later shared the practice with son Ned for 23 years until retiring this past June.

Dr. Bedrossian served as a flight surgeon in the Air Force from 1946 to 1948. He was also a pilot, licensed at 19. He flew often, with his wife and fellow pilot Adelle Parsons Bedrossian. For more than 40 years, Dr. Bedrossian taught at the area's major teaching hospitals. He also wrote extensively.

Dr. Bedrossian is survived by Adelle, his wife of 30 years, son Ned, son William, daughter Trinda Ristau, stepsons Jeffery and Charles Parsons, a sister, a brother, 19 grandchildren, two great-grandsons, and former wife Rosetta Buyanowski.

KARNIK SAYADIAN

March 27, 1934—December 16, 2005

Karnig Sayadian was born in Bagdad, Iraq. He and his wife, Araxy Babaian, had three sons, Shant, Shaheen, and Sherak. Karnig and his family came to the United States in 1998.

Although his health was poor, Karnig wanted to visit his oldest son Shant and his family in Austria. While on this trip, Karnig's health took a turn for the worse. He was hospitalized and ultimately did not recover. His body was brought back to the United States for burial.

HOWARD BEDROS GARABEDIAN

November 4, 1919—January 13, 2006

Howard Bedros Garabedian was born on November 4, 1919, in Whitinsville, MA, to Nicholas and Mary Garabedian. His family moved to Providence, RI, where he attended public school and Classical High School. He also attended Providence College and majored in Physics.

On December 8th of 1941, after war was declared, Howard enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served in the Mediterranean and Sicily operations. He was discharged in 1945 and returned to Providence College to graduate in Electronics. He taught Physics for four years at Providence College and then accepted a position with RCA, Camden, NJ, in 1951. His work took him to Ireland, Greenland, and England – working on BMEWS (Ballistic Missile Early Warning System).

Howard married Rose Z. Garabedian, née Kuzujian, on November 22, 1953, and was blessed with two sons, Howard S. and Kenneth (Dorothy) and two daughters Janice (Todd) Frankowski and Barbara (Bill) Davis. He is also survived by two grandsons: Keith and Kyle Garabedian, and four granddaughters: Tyler and Morgan Frankowski, and Victoria and Alyssa Davis.

Howard took early retirement from RCA in 1982 and enjoyed twenty-three years of travels, cruises, and visiting out-of-town relatives. He was active in the Knights of Vartan, the Lions organization, and the Masons. Besides his immediate family, he leaves many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Howard loved being with his family and friends. He especially enjoyed his grandchildren. His gentle soul will be missed.

SOME OF THE OPPORTUNITIES

CURRENTLY AVAILABLE FOR DONATION AT ARMENIAN MARTYRS'

- Chopourian Christian Education Fund
- DeMirjjan Music Fund
- Sunday School
- Stewardship and Missions
- Sanctuary Décor
- Youth
- School Supplies (for Armenian Children)
- Pastor's Discretionary Fund
- "Sharing the Spirit"
- Monthly News Bulletin

Maundy Thursday Dinner and Communion Service

Thursday, April 13, 7 p.m., the Social Hall

Reservations: Diane DeMirjjan, 610-565-1834

WITH THANKS

To strengthen the ministry of our church and to help nurture faith, stewardship and a deeper sense of mission, we welcome the following gifts with thanks:

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In Memory of My Parents, Yervant & Esther Balukjian and My Sister, Marian Sarian

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In Memory of My Grandparents, James & Esther Kelian and Zora & Satenik Gulezian

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In Honor of the Bogosians' 50th Wedding Anniversary

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SEVEN OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

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| <i>Sunday Mornings:</i> | <i>3rd Wed., Mar-June:</i> |
| • Nursery assistant | • Host a Senior |
| • Sing in the choir | Fellowship |
| • Sponsor flowers | Luncheon |
| • Teach Sunday School | |
| • Host a Coffee Hour | |
| • Drive someone to church | |

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Each Sunday morning during Sunday School, our young children are learning and practicing songs to sing during worship services. Their participation in our Thanksgiving and Christmas services brought smiles to everyone in attendance! All parents are encouraged to bring their children to our "rehearsals" so they can have the opportunity to share their talents in praise of God.

— *Mary Loiselle, Music Director*

VISION STATEMENT

Armenian Martyrs' Congregational Church will be a church community that is Christ-centered, spiritually alive, growing in worship attendance, Armenian- and community-based, and welcoming all people.

MISSING CHURCH KEYS

The Trustees wish to monitor the distribution of church keys. If you have a church key, please call the church office, 610-446-3330, and give Amy your key number. You do not have to turn in your key, but the Trustees would like to have an accurate listing. Even if you think you are accounted for, you may not be, so please call.

Thank you to all of you who have already given us your key numbers.

The following building key numbers are still unaccounted for. Do you have one of these? If so, please call the office and get it "registered." Remember, you do NOT have to turn in your key!!

1, 3, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 22, 23, 26, 27, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 43, 44, 46, 47, and 49.

UCC SUMMER WORK CAMPS

The UCC is offering the opportunity for local churches to participate in volunteer work camps in Louisiana this summer. Volunteers must be at least 16. An "angel" is donating the \$50/wk required for housing. If you want to go, please let Pastor Gary know.

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