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God's Grandchildren

As I am sure most of you are aware by observing your own families, America is undergoing a generational crisis of faith. Where only 10% of those people born in the 1930s called themselves religiously unaffiliated, a whopping 40% of millennials said that they had no religion. Ironically, the pious slogan 'God has no grandchildren' is manifesting itself in our churches. Somehow, America's culture of belief in God, church attendance and Christian morality is exhausting itself. On top of that, the tie to our ethnic Armenian Church tradition dissolves rapidly over time, so that each generation born in Diaspora has less affinity to our church. Jesus warned us about this often in scripture. Pious Jews thought that their ethno-religious ancestry alone would sustain them. Jesus warns them, time and again, to think again. The disciples thought that their kin relationships could save them. Jesus says 'If you come to me but will not leave your family, you cannot be my follower. You must love me more than your father, mother, wife, children, brothers, and sisters-even more than your own life! God has no grandchildren because we are all called to a direct relationship with our heavenly father. Each new generation must discover for themselves who God is to them, otherwise they worship the ashes of ancestral fires rather than God's living fire, here and now.

Our church especially, with our ancient Christian heritage, must take this challenge seriously. Sometimes our rich spiritual inheritance can obscure our individual callings to God. We are the first Christian nation, after all, with ancient sanctuaries, saints and sacraments. But as all inheritances, this one can be a liability as well as an asset. When we Armenians rely only on our inheritance without becoming directly accountable before God, we become entitled and apathetic like a child with a trust fund. Think of it this way. Every time we boast of being the first Christian nation, we make a withdrawal from the spiritual bank account established by the blood, sweat and tears of our ancestors. But if we only make withdrawals from the First Christian bank, without making new deposits in acting like first Christians today, we become insolvent. God has no grandchildren, only children who know Him directly and are themselves the life of the church.

Now, let's get to the good news. The good news is that God has no grandchildren is not a final judgement, but a challenge to move us forward in our faith. Because though God may not have grandchildren; the families, nations and churches he created most certainly do. In a way, we are all grandchildren, whom God constantly calls to a more intimate relationship; to become sons and daughters in faith. The heart of our Christ-centered Armenian Church heritage aims for just this. Here I will share one powerful example from our tradition of when a 'grandchild' of faith grew in intimacy with God the Father, and thereby transformed a people by the power of His grace.

St. Grigoris, Bishop of Albania, is perhaps the most famous grandchild of the Armenian church. Grigoris was grandson to none other than St. Gregory: Illuminator and patron saint of Armenia. Grigoris was surely tempted to rest in the legacy that his grandfather, along with King Drtad, had left in evangelizing Armenia. Yet it seems Grigoris did not take his inheritance for granted. At an early age, he learned Greek and Syriac to study the Bible and participate in worship. Wise beyond his years, still Grigoris would be deeply challenged by what came next. One day, a delegation of Caucasian Albanians, the people who lived North of Armenia by the Caspian Sea, came to Armenia to ask the king and patriarch for help. 'We need a Bishop to lead our people out of paganism into Christianity,' said the Albanian emissary. 'But you have a Bishop,' the Armenian king said. 'Yes, but our people in the north are unruly and rebellious. We need a leader from the family of St. Gregory, whom all would respect. And so at the age of just twenty five, Grigoris left all he knew in Armenia to preach the love of Christ in a place and language foreign to him.

Grigoris did not take his spiritual inheritance for granted. He knew his power was not from his famous grandfather, but from his Father in heaven. Fiercely devoted to the Lord, Grigoris would end up transforming the Caucasian Albanians from cruel pagans into morally upright Christians. He would establish churches as well as places of learning, even bringing Mesrob Mashtots to form the Caucasian Albanian alphabet as he had for Armenians. Most poignantly, Grigoris would take seriously Jesus' command to love God above all else, more than his famous family, more than his Armenian ethnicity, more even than life itself. His boldness in preaching the radical love of Jesus to a violent frontier tribe resulted in his martyrdom; giving his life to the establishment of faith in people and lands not his own.

So does God have grandchildren? Yes, we all begin our journeys in this way, but our end is with God the father. There is nothing and no one, neither family nor friend, neither church nor Catholicos, which substitutes for the joy of knowing and serving our Father and Creator. And while there is a constant threat that our great spiritual inheritance will deaden our calling, it can also move us to greater responsibility and passion in serving our Lord. For like young Grigoris, we are all grandchildren of the Armenian Church tradition. It is now for us to decide whether to worship the ashes of our grandparents, or the living fire of faith from our Father; which provides light and warmth from generation to generation; now and always, amen.

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT by David Kazarian

Over the past several months the parish council has been very busy. We always are charged with the protection of our physical plant. Thankfully we have the services of a very talented individual that helped the church on numerous occasions, Oscar Picon. Oscar has given his expert guidance concerning several details of our building structure and has been responsible for work on the pavilion.

Red cones in the parking lot have been seen for several months. Those cones were there to appease a neighbor who complained about noise. We have limited the volume of bands at the hall, restricted entrance to the side door so sound would be directed away from the neighbors, and even patrolled the parking lot to keep party goers quiet when leaving an event. You will notice those cones are now gone because of an episode that occurred during one event. I personally met with the neighbor and told her our church would no longer tolerate the unreasonable behavior of the neighbor. I spoke via email to the homeowners association and was told that this individual was unreasonable even within the activities of the association. Hopefully we have put this problem to rest, and our parish and clients of the hall can park in areas convenient to them. Having said that the parish council is reviewing the possibility of planting shrubs in certain areas to help mitigate sound.

Recently our parish council voted to install a stairlift to afford access to the choir loft without walking up the stairs. An elevator would have been cost prohibitive, and there is no practical area for installation of an elevator. John Arsenault oversaw this project and after several proposals were presented one company was chosen. Of course nothing is inexpensive, and the proper stairlift would have to be of proper quality and workmanship for our church. Thankfully the Shahnasarians stepped forward to make this project financially possible for the church. I'm told by the time you read this newsletter the stairlift will be installed and operating.

While the parish council works on several large projects there are many other items that need attention such as tattered flag replacement and many landscaping projects. Many things need attention some small, like painting, and some large like demolishing old cabinets in the church pavilion that were not used and building a new wall. The parish council has given attention to all these projects. The church hall requires much of our attention. As an example, the projector that has served us well over the past years is defective. Do we replace it, or do we find another more modern option? That's an example of projects we oversee.

Our church was the recipient of a large sum of money earmarked for donation to those who suffered in the Nagorny Karabakh war. A committee was created to oversee the distribution of those funds. We thank Grace Austin, Yn. Anna Demerjian and John & Kelly Shamsey for serving on this important committee. Some of those funds have been distributed after careful on site review. We were fortunate enough to have an individual travel to Armenia to personally distribute some of those funds. Recently it was brought to the parish council's attention there is a pediatric oncology project in Armenia. This project was referred to the committee.

Our stewardship campaign has been the inspiration for other churches in the diocese and has been skillfully guided by Michael Shahnasarian. The council has spent time reviewing and participating in the activities of the very successful campaign for the financial nurturing of our church.

Several members have requested a membership directory for the church. I recall when I first joined the church a directory had been published. The parish council rejected this proposal for a few reasons: Valuing members' privacy, all names and information would need to be 'opt-ins.' (Do you want your email published? Your cell phone? Your home phone? Do you want to appear at all?) It would take a large investment of time to process everyone's preferences, and requiring opt in would likely result in a very incomplete directory. If in the future, a better solution is found with the manpower to take it on, the PC may revisit.

Respectively submitted,

David Kazarian, PC chair.



2022 Christmas Worship Schedule

Wednesday, Jan. 5th-Armenian Christmas Eve Irakalooys

CHRISTMAS EVE DIVINE LITURGY 6:30 PM

Thursday, Jan. 6th-Armenian Christmas

NO SERVICES AT ST. HAGOP-CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER 9AM-5PM

Sunday, Jan. 9th-Armenian Christmas (Observed)

CHRISTMAS DIVINE LITURGY 10:30 AM

BLESSING OF WATERS SERVICE & SPECIAL FELLOWSHIP 12:30 PM

CHRISTMAS GODFATHER: CHRIS & CAROL SASSOUNI

(NO REQUIEM SERVICES ON JANUARY 5TH & 9TH, REQUIEMS MAY BE REQUESTED FOR JANUARY 16TH)

ADVENT BY CANDLIGHT: Recap & Testimonies

It was truly an inspiring Advent Candlelight Dinner held on Wednesday December 1st at St. Hagop! Nearly ninety members of our community came to together for a catered meal and fellowship followed by worship and stirring Advent reflections in our sanctuary. Our speakers were Yn. Anna Demerjian, Jamie & Leana Stevens and Arsen Sahakyan, who gave examples of how, in difficult times, 'leaning into hope' revealed a deeper connection and strength in God. Heartfelt thanks to our committee chair Alysia Ekizian, the events committee and their team. For those who could not be present, we present testimonials of two of our speakers below:

YN. ANNA DEMERJIAN



Tonight I was asked to introduce two very special people. Leana Shahinian Stevens and Jamie Stevens. Their three wonderful children are here with us as well, Grayson, Sydney and Skylar. This special family joined our church community almost four years ago, and I am sure many of you have met and got the chance to know them. Before I return to say more to introduce this wonderful family, I would like to share a few words of how I leaned into hope in a very difficult year for Armenia.

Last year was a challenging year for so many, but between the pandemic, war in Artsakh and political unrest, it was an especially difficult time for us Armenians. My father was from Artsakh, therefore- so are many of my relatives. When the war began, I was anxiously calling all of them to make sure they are safe... Those moments of not being able to reach them for days or know where they are was horrific. Thankfully, we were able to find one of my cousins, who could give updates on the rest of the family. Many of them hid in bomb shelters before they could escape to Yerevan. Others remained in Stepanakert. The boys went to the battlefield. Unfortunately, two of them didn't make it back home. Their families also

lost their homes in Shushi, just like thousands of others in Artsakh.

Fr. Hovnan and I personally helped my family, but after a while, we realized that the their many other families they sheltered with, neighbors and friends, who were now refugees and all huddled together in a small apartment in Yerevan. They needed assistance too. This is when I reached out to several organizations on the ground for help. Unfortunately, many of them were overwhelmed with requests and simply didn't answer. So I got the word out among friends and acquaintances both here and in Armenia to help these families directly. A few weeks and more than thirty families later, it turned into a bigger project than I could handle myself. After many sleepless nights listening to the trials of these families, I remember feeling overwhelmed and hopeless. I remember praying and asking God to send me help so I could do this for the sake of these people in need. That evening I received a message from Leana saying that she and Jamie not only would like to sponsor a family, but also that she wants to help me through the process! I really believe Leana was God sent, an answer to my prayers; an answer that emerged only after leaning into Christ for hope. Leana ended up calling sponsors and families, getting information, building a spreadsheet, and so much more. This was all happening while she was homeschooling three children during the pandemic lockdown.

More recently, after I posted something on social media about supporting a band of refugee kids who were giving concerts and workshops in Artsakh, guess who reached out to me to sponsor the entire project? Jamie and Leana were there again. This became a beautiful initiative that positively affected more than six-hundred children in Artsakh and put smiles on their faces. It spread hope in a post-war climate in desperate need of hope.

I think I need not say more about Jamie and Leana, just that despite their own struggles-that they will share with us a bit today- they have gained the wisdom of leaning into Christ and bringing hope to others. They also know a thing or two about service. After 22 years of service in the US Air Force, Jamie just retired. Thank you for your service Jamie. Thank you for all you both do. And thank you for sharing your words with us today. Please welcome Jamie and Leana...



Good evening everyone, and thank you for giving me this opportunity to share my story with you today. So bottom line, up front, the Armenian Church was a guide and symbol of hope for many international troops deployed in a warzone.

I would like to start my (talk) by repeating the sentence about the significance of the leaning into hope theme. It says that hope is not just an optimistic feeling but it has purpose and God at its source. This powerful sentence simply explains that hope, and God at its source, is our daily guide in this life.

Moreover, Hebrews 11:1 says, 'faith is being sure of what you hope for and certain about things you cannot see.' Furthermore the bible tells us in Joshua 1:9, 'Be strong and courageous do not be frightened and do not be dismayed for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.' At least to my understanding, the combination of these sentences clearly articulate the significance of strong faith in being sure that, with God's lead, you will undoubtedly get what you are leaning into hope for.

So now for those who don't know me. I'm a retired Colonel in the Armenian Army with more than twenty-two years of service—twenty-two [Applause] to my country and my nation; retired from the army with honors and awards, not a deserter or sneaky fugitive. I moved to Florida after retirement and for now live in Tampa.

The story I want to share with you today happened in 2006. As a commander of an Armenian Contingent with 50 soldiers, I was deployed to Iraq for a mission. For those who know the chronology of Operation Iraqi Freedom, the year 2006 was very tense. We would have daily rocket attacks in our camps and IED attacks on roads; constant pressure from enemy and numerous fallen comrades made the situation unbearable.

The atmosphere was what I would call, not one of fear but depression, where everyone was not caring anymore about anything and losing hope in anything. As a commander and a strong believer which I consider myself, I clearly realized that we needed a constant reminder that God will lead us through this difficult situation and we can't forget about that.

So I decided to build an Armenian Church-like monument where soldiers could pray daily, light candles and be constantly reminded about who is in charge and who we need to lean into. Without knowing any rules and religious rituals, I found a Catholic priest and I asked him to come to baptize our church, which he did with pleasure. The monument, in a short period of time, created such a vibrancy all over the camp of more than 8,000 soldiers, that it became the only place of worship for all nations. The commander of all forces located in the Central South region, an American guy, ordered thousands of candles without me saying a word. We had Armenian civilians visiting from Baghdad who took pictures, and even Etchmiadzin send us an icon to place there.

So I decided to share particularly this story today, to show how the Armenian Church became a symbol for hope in that multinational environment. And to conclude; the man who has great faith in God, finds joy in everything. Whether he is ill, whether he is hungry, whether he is in any difficult situation; believing that it is God's will, he is always safe in God's harbor of hope. Thank you so much and God bless. [Applause]



Concert Celebrating Beethoven's 250th with Haig Yaghoobian on October 17th

On Sunday, October 17th, the Cultural Series of St. Hagop's Armenian Church sponsored a 250th Birthday Celebration of the great composer and pianist Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827). Organized by Haig Yaghoobian (piano), with a very special guest, 8-year-old Leo Chen (piano and violin), the program featured Beethoven's *Kleinigkeiten* ("Little Things"), a *Rondo* for Violin and Piano, his *Busslied* ("Song of Repentance"), and his dynamic and virtuosic *Sonata Pathétique*.

Stories about Beethoven's life and times in music provided the audience with a fuller sense of the Master and his profound contribution to the music that bridged Classical and Romantic periods. Leo was, of course, a sensation – a true prodigy in the earliest days of what will no doubt be an amazing career to come.

Heartfelt thanks to the Events Committee (Jean Shahnasarian, Rita Keshishian, Yn. Anna Demerjian, Mallory Maslar, Alysia Ekizian, and Nadia Anac, for their gracious hospitality and support, including Champagne and Strawberries! Also, many thanks to Ara Keshishian for outstanding videography (recording here: <https://youtu.be/jsKT-oAaScE>), Teresa Haidarian for Photography, and to Chrisanne Jensen and Bobby Maslar for hall arrangements.



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(Cut along dotted line)

FLOWER REQUESTS FOR EASTER

I/We would like to request flowers in honor of our loved one(s) for Easter Sunday.
(Choose one option below):

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

Your Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____



Please send this written request by April 7th, along with a check for \$25 to:

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Photos From An Active Fall & Winter Season-as the Church Emerges from Pandemic!



Armenian Dance Ensemble



September 7, 2021



14th Anniversary @ The Tides



October 8, 2021

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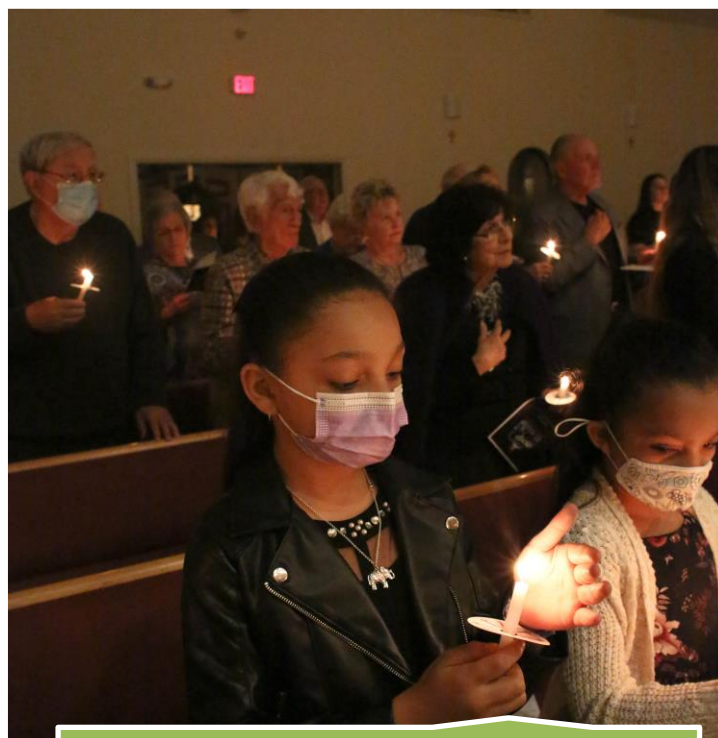
Women's Guild Bake Sale



November 21, 2021



Advent Candlelight Service



December 11, 2021

Holy Week Աւագ Շաբաթ

*Join us for the most important and fulfilling
worship services of the entire Armenian Church year.*



Palm Sunday Divine Liturgy
Sun. April 10 | 10:30 am



Washing of the Feet/"Votnlva"
Thur. April 14 | 7 pm



"Khavaroom" (Passion of our Lord)
Thur. April 14 | 8 pm



Good Friday Burial Service
Fri. April 15 | 7 pm



Easter Eve "Jragalooyts Badarak"
Sat. April 16 | 7 pm



Easter Divine Liturgy
Sun. April 17 | 10:30 am

2022 Stewardship Pledge Updated on 12/15/21

So far we have been blessed with **56** pledges totaling **\$115,270** for 2022! Our goal is for all to participate regardless of amount! We invite you to mail in your pledge card or make an online pledge for 2022, it is not too late!

**In prayerful consideration of my stewardship of God's resources
and my commitment to St. Hagop's mission and programs:**

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☐ Yes, please issue me offering envelopes ☐ No, offering envelopes will not be needed

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Signature: _____ **Date:** ____/____/____

Please mail this pledge card to the church office, or bring to offering plate by Stewardship Sunday—November 28, 2021. No payment need accompany this form. We ask that 2022 pledge monies be paid by the end of the 2022 calendar year. Payments may be made online through the St. Hagop website.

May the Lord Remember All Your Offerings
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Name(s):	
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**Stewardship
Pledge Card**

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Sunday School Hours: Sunday 11:00am – 12:30pm

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*****Divine Liturgy takes place every Sunday from 10:30-12:30 unless noted below.***

Sunday School takes place every Sunday starting at 11am.

Fellowship in Shahnasarian Hall to follow immediately after service

Wed. Jan. 5th	Divine Liturgy/Armenian Christmas Eve	6:30 PM
Thurs. Jan. 6th	Armenian Christmas - No Services- Church open for prayers	9AM-5PM
Sun. Jan. 9th	Divine Liturgy/ Armenian Christmas (Observed) Blessing of the Water Special Armenian Christmas Fellowship	10:30 AM 12:15 PM 12:30 PM
Tues. Jan. 11th	Parish Council Meeting	6:00 PM
Sun. Jan. 16th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School/Fellowship	10:30AM-1:30PM
Sun. Jan 23rd	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School/Fellowship	10:30AM-1:30PM
Sun. Jan. 30th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School/Fellowship	10:30AM-1:30PM
Sun. Feb. 6th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School/Fellowship Women's Guild Meeting	10:30AM-1:30PM 12:30PM
Tues. Feb. 8th	Parish Council Meeting	6:30 PM
Sun. Feb. 13th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School/Fellowship Annual Parish Assembly	10:30AM-1:30PM 12:30PM
Sun. Feb. 20th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School/Fellowship	10:30AM-1:30PM
Sun. Feb. 27th	Divine Liturgy- Poon Paregentan/Day of Good Living Special Poon Paregentan/Vartanants Presentation	10:30AM-1:30PM 1:00PM
Mon. Feb. 28th	Great Lent Begins	
Sun. March 6th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School/Fellowship	10:30AM-1:30PM
Tues. March 8th	Parish Council Meeting	6:30 PM
Sun. March 13th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School/Fellowship	10:30AM-1:30PM
Fri. March 18th	Armenian String Cheese Making & Wine	TBD
Sun. March 20th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School/Fellowship	10:30AM-1:30PM
Sun. March 27th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School/Fellowship	10:30AM-1:30PM
Sun. April 3rd	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School/Fellowship	10:30AM-1:30PM
Sun. April 10th	Divine Liturgy – Palm Sunday Special Fellowship by ACYOA	10:30 PM 12:30 PM
Tues. April 12th	Parish Council Meeting	6:30 PM
Thurs. April 14th	Washing of the Feet/Votnlva Service Vigil/Khavaram Service	7:00 PM 8:00 PM
Fri. April 15th	Burial Service (Good Friday)	7:00 PM
Sat. April 16th	Easter Eve/Jragalooyts Divine Liturgy	7:00 PM
Sun. April 17th	Divine Liturgy-Easter Sunday Special Fellowship in Hall/Easter Egg Hunt	10:30 PM 12:30 PM
Sun. April 19th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School/Fellowship	10:30AM-1:30PM
Sun. April 24th	Divine Liturgy Genocide Commemoration	10:30 PM 12:30 PM

Please note that by canon law of the Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church, no Requiem Services may be held on the following major feast days of the church; Christmas, Palm Sunday/Easter, Pentecost, Transfiguration & Exaltation of the Cross)



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