

A Blessed 2025 Stewardship Year

So far, we have 108 pledges for \$172,165 towards 2025. *May the Lord bless all our offerings!*



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Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Խաչվերաց– *Khachverats*

September 14, 2025



Today's Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 49:13-23 Galatians 6:14-18 John 3:13-21

In prayerful consideration
and my commitment

My/Our Stewardship

\$ _____, given

☐ Yes, please issue me offering receipt

I /we wish to support St. Hagop Armenian Church

Signature: _____

Name(s): _____

Phone/Email: _____

Stewardship 2026 Schedule

Our stewardship committee has drafted the schedule below for the upcoming year. We appreciate all who give of their time and means to our church!

- 09/20/25** 2026 Campaign Announcement & Letter
- 10/12/25** Stewardship Sermon I
- 11/02/25** Parishioner Testimonial I
- 11/16/25** Parishioner Testimonial II
- 11/17/25** Pledge Cards Mailed
- 11/23/25** Stewardship Sermon II
- 11/27/25** Thanksgiving Day
- 11/30/25** Pledge Sunday
- 12/14/25** Parishioner Testimonial III (TBD)
- 12/21/25** Deadline to Return Pledge Cards



Taste of Armenia Tampa Bay-Sun. Jan. 18th!

Please join your St. Hagop Armenian Church Family as we bring people together in CELEBRATION of our Armenian Culture! Admission is FREE! Guests will enjoy DELICIOUS Armenian Food, LIVE MUSIC, Shopping at Vernissage, Chances to WIN the BIG Raffle, and MORE! For Information about Sponsoring this event or with questions, please call/text Scott & Raelene Ohanesian Pullen at 813.421.4319 or email Raelene.Pullen@gmail.com.



Announcing...St. Hagop's Got Talent

Do you sing, dance, play an instrument, tell a great joke, paint, or have a unique skill? Now's your chance to shine! You're invited to St. Hagop's Got Talent-a joyful celebration of the talents of our parish family. Whether you're young or young at heart, performing solo or as a group, we want to see YOU on our stage! All talents welcome-music, dance, poetry, comedy, storytelling, visual arts, and more! Let's celebrate our God-given gifts and make memories together-because at St. Hagop's, we've ALL got talent! To learn more and sign up Contact Suzanna at GotDreamHome@gmail.com



Bible Study & Fellowship-1st & 3rd Sundays

St. Hagop's bi-weekly Bible Study & Fellowship is back in session on 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month from 6:30-8:00pm. Mark your calendars, and come out for fellowship and discussion on James, Peter & John's profound letters to the early Christians, which still inspire today! All are welcome, no background necessary.



Bloodmobile at St. Hagop-Today!

The St. Hagop Events & Outreach Committees provides another opportunity for our parish to give back in today's blood drive. from 11:30am-2:30pm. The Blood Mobile is parked on the church campus to take donations. As we enter the season of the cross and recall Jesus' loving sacrifice, we encourage all who can to give this small gift of health to those in medical need. Thank you in advance for participating in this ministry to our community!



Sunday School Has Begun

Calling all parents of youth ages 5-9! Join us every Sunday for interactive lessons on church & Armenian culture. Our classroom is for ages 5-9. Sunday School starts at 11:00 sharp (room opens at 10:45). After a 45 minute lesson, children will worship in church. We look forward to seeing our young families this year! If you have questions, contact sundayschool@sthagopfl.org. Thanks to our parents and teachers, our school continues to grow. Join us!



Armenian Church Arts-Ages 10-17

Our new church arts program is up and running! Chaired by Stepan Aghekyan and designed for youth ages 10-17, it features Armenian art and culture-themed sessions on various topics, aiming to educate, inspire and engage our youth in the life of the Church. Our first module is Armenian Cuisine. Future modules include painting, music, photography & design. Contact Stepan Agekyan at arts@sthagopfl.org for questions or support.

Services and Events

Sun. Sept. 14th	Divine Liturgy-Exaltation of the Cross Over the World Sunday School/Youth Arts Program Coffee Hour Fellowship	10:30am-12:30pm 11:00-12/1:00 pm 12:30pm-1:30pm
Thurs. Sept. 18th	Bible Study & Fellowship	6:30pm-8:00pm
Sun. Sept. 21st	Divine Liturgy Sunday School/Youth Arts Program Coffee Hour Fellowship	10:30am-12:15pm 11:00-12/1:00 pm 12:30pm-1:30pm



Invitation to Host Coffee Hour Fellowship

The Women's Guild invites you to host fellowship after church, be that in honor of someone (birthday or milestone), memorialize them (hokehankist/ requiem) or simply to help out. Please speak to Lucy or Rita to sign up. Thank you for taking your turn to serve!



Greeter Ministry Involvement Opportunities

St. Hagop seeks volunteer greeters to serve once per month on an ongoing basis to greet our worshippers and participate in Badarak worship tasks. Please contact Rita Keshishian Rita_Keshishian@hotmail.com if you have questions or for additional information about pursuing this ministry.

Requiem Prayers for September

It is our church's tradition to pray every Sunday for our loved ones asleep in Christ, especially during the Intercessions (p. 35-38) and Der Voghormya (p. 45). This month, please pray for these deceased and their surviving family members for peace in Christ:

John E. Arsenault, Greta Arutyunyan, Meline Avakian, Artur Babajanian, Marian Bandazian, John Bejakian, Vasiliki Calikyan, George Caragulla, Henry Demirdjian, Andrea Espinola, Leo Ghogasian, Michael Hadchikian, Melanya Hakobyan, Janet Haydostian, Jack Kachanian, Jacques Kojian, George Manoulian, Alexander Martirosova, Jack Messerlian, Artur Levon Mikoian, Sima Palakian, Marusya Poghosyan, Martha Samuelian & Helen Sarkisian

Please contact the church to add your loved one to our monthly requiem list. Donations to St. Hagop, or sponsoring coffee hour in honor of departed loved ones are welcome any Sunday. Full requiem/ hokehankist service may also be requested at least one week in advance of date.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for Bruce Ryder, Vaheh Mokhtarians, Martha Ann Garabedian, George Mangigian, Jane Holden, Bryan Witeof, Sharon & Glenn Oglesbee, Michele Fender, Andrea Zehnder, Patty Arakelian, Stephen Hazerjian, Betty Witzel, Lucian Grove, William Lowrie, Kamo Gyularian, Adrienne Ekizian, Aggie Ellian, Charles Garabedian and Harold & Tanina Garabedian.

Kiss of Peace

Below is the greeting and response for the "Kiss of Peace," also found on p.27 in your pew books:

The greeting is:

Քրիստոս ի մեջ մեր յայտնեցաւ:
Krisdos ee mech mer haydnestav.
Christ is revealed among us.

The response is:

Օրհնեալ է յայտնութիւնն Քրիստոսի:
Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Krisdosee.
Blessed is the Revelation of Christ.