

Gratitude for 2025 Stewards & Completing Your Pledge

Blessings from God and much gratitude for the **110** stewards who gave **\$175,390** to our church in 2025, along with countless hours of care and prayer. To close out your 2025 pledge, just make a payment online or by check by year's end. See our Stewardship 2026 schedule below:



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 Reflection-Fr. Hovnan
- 11/02/25** Parishioner Testimonial-Leon Sarkisian
- 11/16/25** Parishioner Testimonial-Sargis Knyazyan
- 11/17/25** Pledge Cards Mailed
- 11/23/25** Stewardship Reflection-Fr. Hovnan
- 11/27/25** Thanksgiving Day
- 11/30/25** Pledge Sunday
- 12/14/25** Parishioner Testimonial-David Kazarian
- 12/21/25** Deadline to Return Pledge Cards

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), a memorial (hokehankist/requiem) or simply to help out. Please speak to Lucy or Rita to sign up. Thank you for taking your turn to serve!

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. 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.

Volunteer in Armenia-Presentation-Dec. 2nd

Learn how the Armenian Volunteer Corps (AVC) can help create impactful, personalized service experiences for your next trip to Armenia. Join an online presentation by AVC director Arina Zohrabian & AVC founder Fr. Hovnan, Tue. Dec. 2nd at 8PM. Register & receive link via eblast or website.

Seniors Fellowship

We had another terrific meeting of our Seniors fellowship on November 13th, much thanks to all of our organizers! The fellowship will take a hiatus for the December holidays, but plans to continue hosting monthly luncheons thereafter in Shahnasarian Hall. Please contact event chair Sargis Knyazyan sknyazyan@gmail.com if you would like to participate in the fellowship moving forward.

ST. HAGOP ARMENIAN CHURCH - WEEKLY BULLETIN



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First Sunday of Advent

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November 23, 2025



Today's Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 36:1-9 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Luke 12:13-31



Santa Visit on December 7th!

On Sunday, Dec. 7th after church Santa will come to Shahnasarian Hall. The program starts during Sunday School (11am) and includes a special holiday children's lunch. Parents, please bring a wrapped gift with your child's name on it before the event to insure your child receives a gift. This event is sponsored by the Women's Guild. Please confirm your attendance with Lana (727-688-0820/lanaarut@gmail.com) or Maro (maroshal@gmail.com).



Advent Candlelight Dinner-Dec. 10th

Come all ye faithful! Join us for a candlelight dinner and program on Wed. Dec. 10th from 6:30-8:30 pm. A meal will be served in the Shahnasarian Hall, followed by the Advent Program in the Sanctuary. Our topic is 'A Promise in the Darkness' with speakers reflecting on finding the presence of God in times of trial. Contact event chair Alysia Ekizian asekizian@gmail.com or the church office with any questions. Admission is free, donations gratefully accepted!



New Years Eve Dinner Dance

Join us in the Shahnasarian Hall for a New Year's Eve celebration! See eblast or website to purchase tickets online or pre-pay by check to St. Hagop, memo: 'New Years'. Contact person: Lusine Sahakyan events@stthagopfl.org.

Where: Shahnasarian Hall 7020 90th Ave, Pinellas Park, FL 33782
When: Wed. Dec. 31, 2025 Doors Open:6PM | Dinner:7PM | Dance:8PM-1AM
Tickets: \$85/adult, \$40/youth aged 6-15. Tickets will not be sold at the door!



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.



Join Our Fast Growing Sunday School!

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@stthagopfl.org. Thanks to our parents and teachers, our school continues to grow. Join us!



New Armenian Church Arts Program-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@stthagopfl.org for questions or support.

Services and Events

Sun. Nov. 23th	Divine Liturgy-1st Sunday of Advent Sunday School/Youth Arts Program Coffee Hour Fellowship	10:30am-12:15pm 11:00-12/1:00 pm 12:30pm-1:30pm
Sun. Nov. 30th	Divine Liturgy-Stewardship Sunday Sunday School/Youth Arts Special Presentation Coffee Hour Fellowship	10:30am-12:15pm 11:00-12/1:00 pm 12:30pm-1:30pm
Tues. Dec. 2nd	Volunteer in Armenia-Online Presentation	8:00pm-9:00pm



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.



Assisted Listening Capabilities

For parishioners with hearing aids, we now have assisted listening capabilities, to link phones/hearing adds to a no delay audio stream. To access the stream: 1) Download the [AudioFetch](#) App onto your phone 2) Connect to the [Church](#) wifi network-enter pw: [HolyInternet333](#) 3) Open the AudioFetch app

Requiem Prayers for November

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:

Arlen Avernian Thorensen, John Barsoumian, Ronald Boyajian, Haig Dikranian, Bill Eggleston, Diana Eggleston, Steven Haydostian, Margaret Hintlian Kazarian, Garabed Hovsepian, Sarkis Jingirian, Christopher Kaiserian, Sophie Kaloustian, Victoria Kapreilian, Setrak Karakash, Marlen Karapetian, Zohrab Kotchounian, Hratch Manoukian, Anahid Megerian, Berdj Movsesian, Harry Omartian, Priscilla Sarkisian, Albert Shahnasarian, Leon Shahnasarian, Edward Shahnasarian & Marie Shammassian

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 Haig Yardumian, Sharon Sarkisian, Carlos Holm, Bruce Ryder, Vaheh Mokhtarians, Martha Ann Garabedian, George Mangigian, Jane Holden, Bryan Witeof, Sharon & Glenn Oglesbee, Michele Fender, Andrea Zehnder, Patty Arakelian, Stephen Hazerjian, 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.