

# A Great Start For 2026 Pledge Stewardship

So far, we have 65 pledges for \$145,600 towards 2026. May the Lord bless all our offerings!

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## 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](mailto:Rita_Keshishian@hotmail.com) if you have questions or for additional information about pursuing this ministry.

## Be a Blessing As You've Been Blessed!

Let us know how you would like to serve! Have you reviewed St. Hagop's 10 primary ministries in your pledge packets and on our website to help discern how you might offer your time and talent to our church? Our prayer is that each of us grow alongside our church in our service to God!

## Volunteer in Armenia!

For any called to share their gifts with Armenia, check out the Armenian Volunteer Corps (AVC) which creates impactful service experiences for volunteers in Armenia. Fr. Hovnan founded the AVC in 2000, believes in building bridges between Armenia and Diaspora and finds the volunteer experience transformative for so many. Visit [www.armenianvolunteer.org](http://www.armenianvolunteer.org) to learn more.

## Assisted Listening Capabilities

For parishioners with hearing aids, we now have assisted listening capabilities, to link phones/hearing aids 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

## Seniors Fellowship

After a fine November Seniors fellowship, we will take a hiatus for the December holidays. Our next fellowship is on Wed. Jan. 21st at noon. Do join us and please contact event chair Sargis Knyazyan [sknyazyan@gmail.com](mailto:sknyazyan@gmail.com) if you would have any ideas or questions about the fellowship moving forward.

## ST. HAGOP ARMENIAN CHURCH - WEEKLY BULLETIN



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## Sixth Sunday of Advent

2. Կիրակի Յիսնակի

December 28, 2025



## Today's Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 41:4-14 Hebrews 7:11-25 Luke 19:12-28



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](mailto: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! To volunteer or supporting this amazing event in other ways, please call/text Scott & Raelene Ohanesian Pullen at 813.421.4319 or email [Raelene.Pullen@gmail.com](mailto:Raelene.Pullen@gmail.com).

Women's Guild Annual Luncheon-Jan. 31st

*The St. Hagop Women's Guild cordially invites you to their Annual Luncheon!*

**When:** Saturday, Jan 31st, 2026, 11:30am-2:30pm

**Where:** Island Way Grill, 20 Island Way, Clearwater, FL 33767

**Donation:** \$40.00 **RSVP:** by Jan 24th to Rita at 516-312-6274 or [rita\\_keshishian@hotmail.com](mailto:rita_keshishian@hotmail.com) Gentlemen are welcome! Free parking.

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!

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](mailto:sundayschool@stthagopfl.org). hanks 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](mailto:arts@stthagopfl.org) for questions or support.

Services and Events

Sun. Dec. 28th	Divine Liturgy Sunday School/Youth Arts Program Coffee Hour Fellowship	10:30am-12:15pm 11:00-12/1:00 pm 12:30pm-1:30pm
Wed. Dec. 31st	New Year’s Eve Dinner Dance	6:00pm-1:00am
Sun. Jan. 4th	Divine Liturgy Sunday School/Youth Arts Program Coffee Hour Fellowship	10:30am-12:15pm 11:00-12/1:00 pm 12:30pm-1:30pm

2026 Christmas Worship Schedule

**Saturday, Jan. 10th—Armenian Christmas Eve Jrakalooyts (Observed)**

Armenian Christmas Eve Divine Liturgy 6:30 PM

**Sunday, Jan. 11th—Armenian Christmas (Observed)**

Armenian Christmas Divine Liturgy 10:30AM

Blessing of Waters Service & Fellowship 12:30 PM

Godfather of the Blessing of Waters: Dn. Kevork & Marisol Demirjian

Requiem Prayers for December

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:

**Henry Abajian, Armenak Arutyunyan, Gladys Aslanian, Agop Atamian, Aram Avakian, James Begian, Richard Berjian, Gayane Danelian, Arshaluys Danielyan, Konstantinos Dikeakos, Ohannes Evrekian, Dr. Vahak Gadarian, Jon Haydostian, Nelly Hekimian, Joseph Hovsepian, Astine Karakash, Marie Louise Kostis, Josette Manougian, Papken Megerian, Charles Metjian, Manya Minasyan, Zizi Sarkis, Souad Tashian, Eric Thorensen and Sylvia Vartanian**

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 Lil Kazarian, James Wilson, Jacqueline Kamajian, Haig Yardumian, Sharon Sarkisian, Bruce Ryder, Vaheh Mokhtarians, Martha Ann Garabedian, Jane Holden, Gayane Danelian, 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 յայտնութիւնս քրիստոսի:**

Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Krisdosee.

Blessed is the Revelation of Christ.