

# Gratitude for Our 2023 Pledge Stewards

**So far, we have 99 pledges totaling \$158,435 for 2023; join us with your pledge!**



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## Storytime with 'Secret Language Method' Author

After worship on Sunday Sept 10th, join children's book author Tamar Kassarian, for an afternoon filled with fun and surprises for the whole family. Children's books will be available for purchase on day of event, or you may order through the link in our eblast. We invite all our young families to join us for a unique kick off to this Sunday School Year!

## Join Us— 1st Day of Sunday School Sept 10th!

Calling all parents of youth ages 5-12! Join us each Sunday, beginning on September 10th for great teachers and interactive lessons on church & Armenian culture. Our classroom is for ages 5-12. Sunday School starts at 11:00 sharp (room opens at 10:45). After a 30-45 minute lesson children will worship in church. We look forward to seeing all our young families this year! Contact us [sundayschool@stthagopfl.org](mailto:sundayschool@stthagopfl.org) with any questions.



## ST. HAGOP ARMENIAN CHURCH - WEEKLY BULLETIN



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## Third Sunday After Assumption

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August 27, 2023



## Today's Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 9:8-19 2 Corinthians 1:1-11 Mark 4:35-41



## St. Hagop Holy Land Pilgrimage

Registration is now open for the St. Hagop Church pilgrimage to Jerusalem. The dates of the trip are from Sept 1-11, 2024. The cost is \$3,698 per person as long as we reach our 20 participant target. Pricing for ground trip only is \$2,198. If you are interested in this spiritual discovery tour of the Holy Land led by Fr. Hovnan, alongside faithful of St. Hagop and beyond, do join us! Brochure with trip details and registration info. can be found on our website and in eblasts. Brochure is also available in the church narthex.



## Young Professionals

The young professionals congregated last Friday at Walk-On's Midtown for their monthly gathering of faith & fellowship. Next month's meeting will be on Thursday August 24th at 7pm at the Acropolis Greek Taverna in Tampa. Be sure to join our Facebook Group to stay informed and connected.

## Offer Church Readings-Lector Ministry

Readings from Holy Scripture, delivered in English by lay members of our congregation, comprise an important part of our Badarak worship service. If you feel called to share the word of God on Sundays, please consider this ministry. We will provide quick training and add you to our directory of lectors. For more information contact Karen at [karen@homeserviceinteriors.com](mailto:karen@homeserviceinteriors.com).

## Invitation to Host Coffee Hour Fellowship!

The Women's Guild invites you to host our fellowship after church. Anyone can host to honor someone (birthday or celebration), to 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!

## Shahnasarian Hall Room Refresh

Through the leadership of Alysia Ekizian & Carla Megerian, the donations of Eileen Barsamian & Donna Sirounian, input of Chrisanne Jensen, and muscle of John Arsenault & Greg Ekizian, our Heritage/Dressing Room got a refresh this summer! Feel free to visit and use our Heritage room!

## Take Action to Protect the People of Artsakh

The Azeri blockade of Artsakh has become a humanitarian crisis. Let's 1) inform ourselves & others 2) write to political leaders 3) pray

These links from the Armenian Assembly & ANCA make it easy to write to our political leaders: [www.armenian-assembly.org/advocacy](http://www.armenian-assembly.org/advocacy) & [www.marchtojustice.org/action-alerts](http://www.marchtojustice.org/action-alerts)

For more news and discussion on these matters join our Facebook group!

## Join Suncoast Armenians FB Group

St. Hagop young professional Irina Karakhanyan started a Facebook group so Armenians of our area can inform & support each other. We hope this helps our blessed community bond ever closer! Join the group by clicking [www.facebook.com/groups/tampaarmenians](http://www.facebook.com/groups/tampaarmenians).

## Services and Events

Sun. Sept. 3rd	Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour Fellowship in Hall	10:30am-12:15pm 12:30pm-1:30pm
Sun. Sept. 10th	Divine Liturgy 1st Day of Sunday School/Story Time Book Presentation Coffee Hour Fellowship in Hall	10:30am-12:15pm 11:00am-12:00pm 12:30pm-1:30pm
Tue. Sept 12th	Parish Council Meeting	6:00pm-8:00pm



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

## Requiem Prayers for August

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:

*Anne Abajian, Mardo Abajian, Anthony Avernian, Hrant Bardakjian, Antranik Barsoumian, Gregory Barsoumian, John Bedrosian, Vahakn Dadrian, Vartkes Dulgerian, Ted Dulgeroff, John Eloian, Sergey Garsanyan, Al Haidarian, Andranik Hazaryan, Darren Hovsepian, Thomas Kachadurian, Pauline Kachanian, Alice Kamajian, Lucine Kotchounian, Robert Maslar, Hor-en Merakyan, Arto Mouradian, Madeleine Mouradian, Michael Samuelian, Jennifer Sorenson, Annie Tanashian, Angela Varvarian, Roy Wende*

Your prayers are requested for the soul of **Dn. Socrates Boyajian** by friends & colleague Dr. & Mrs. Haig Yardumian on the fifteen year memorial of his passing.

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 Ara Keshishian, Eric Thorensen, Daniel Takoushian, Linda Isabelle, Bob Koolakian, Michele Fender, Louise Yardumian, Stella Eckart, Jack Dikranian, Freij Tasjian, Andrea Zehnder, Inessa Grigoryan, Virginia Messerlian, Patty Arakelian, Jacob Cantor, Stephen Hazerjian, Leon & Sharon Sarkisian, Beverly Baez, Nina Sarkisian, Anna Tossoonian, Betty Witzel, Lucian Grove, Ruth Marie Samuelian, William Lowrie, Beatrice Kapreilian, Louis Bellantoni, Kamo Gyularian, Adrienne Ekizian, Sarah Malajian, Alex & Carolyn Saharian, 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.

