

A Terrific 2024 Pledge Stewardship Year

For 2024, we have had 111 pledges for a total of \$171,170

May the Lord bless all our offerings! Listed below are the pledges so far for 2024:

Richard & Diana Aginian, Stepan Aghekyan, Andreas Aghamianz, Karen Anjoorian, Andy & Theresa Anusbigian, John & Susan Arsenault, Grace Austin, Naira Avagyan Mangasar, Harris & Zara Babayan Boyiadzis, Bagrad & Tatiana Badalyan, Alice Bedrossian, Charles and Lisa Begian, Michael Boucher, Jacob Bournazian, Joseph & Pamela Hajinian Brinker, Robert & Janet Davidian, Fr. Hovnan & Yn. Anna Demerjian, Narek & Nora Demerjian, Jean-Jacques & Hasmig Demerjian, Raffi & Tanya Demerjian, Primrose & Paul Demirdjian, Dennis & Rachael Demirjian, Kevoak & Marisol Demirjian, Sason & Patricia Demirjian, Fred Dikranian, Dave & Maral Duckworth Hayes, Leilani Doty, Araxi Dulgeroff, Art & Adrienne Ekizian, Gregory & Alysia Ekizian, Kristopher Fox, John & Victoria Franks, Martha-Anne Garabedian, Richard & Pauline Gilgan, Adrienne Guendjoian, Scott & Mallory Guinand, Gregory & Gina Hagopian, Teresa Haidarian, Berge & Tamar Hajian, Hayley Hovhanessian, Aram & Suzanna Hovhannisian, Darren Hovsepian, Gregory & Stephanie Hovsepian, Darwin & David Jamgochian, Richard & Christina Kachadurian, Dr. George & Debra Kamajian, Edward Kapreilian, Sam & Bea Kapreilian, Sergei & Irene Kardashian, Harry & Beverly Karim, Ken & Hazel Karnig, David & Nancy Kazarian, Lilian Kazarian, Tigran & Ashley Kesayan, Ara & Rita Keshishian, Harout Keshishian, Melik Keuroghlian, Houri Kojian, Sophia Manoulian Kugeares, Linda Light, Chau Luong, Ann Mahdessian, Richard & Linda Maslar, Susan McLarnon, Sam Mikaelian, Yolande Marie Miloian, Karen Minassian, Robert Mirak, Richard & Susan Mougalian, Victoria Mouradian, Jospeh & Angela Nakashian, Bejan & Rebekah Nouri, Shawnt Ohanian, Mirella Ovanessian, John & Joanne Pehlivanian, Pehlivanian Family Foundation, Scott & Raelene Pullen, Richard & Victoria Riley, James & Lusine Roesch, Ira & Annette Ross, Arsen & Varduhi Sahakyan, Alex & Carolyn Saharian, Michael Saharian, Steven Saharian, Michael Sarafian, Tanya Sarafian, Chuck & Kathy Sarkisian, Leon & Sharon Sarkisian, Vahak & Elizabeth Sarkis, Chris & Carol Sassouni, Yates & Alexis Sayers, Stepan & Seta Serpekian, Michael & Jean Shahnasarian, John & Kelly Shamsey, Robert & Chris Shamsey, Jeff & Araksya Sprecher, James & Leana Stevens, Daniel & Norma Takoushian, Nevere Tavoukjian, Paula Trice Pelosi, Denise and Matthieu van Veen, Tim & Adrienne Vartanian Milewski, Tigran & Lucine Vartazarian, Artin & Armenouch Vartoukian, Terry & Carolyn Waidley, Eric & Jen Wardle, James & Cathy Wilson, Haig & Lorraine Yaghoobian, Dr. Haig & Louise Yardumian, Marina & Maurice Youakim, Armen & Srбуhi Zakaryan

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Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Խաչվերաց– *Khachverats*

September 15, 2024



Today's Scripture Readings:

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

In prayerful consideration
and my commitment

My/Our Stew

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Yes, please issue me offering

I /we wish to support St

Signature:

Name(s):

Phone/Email:

Stewardship 2025 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!

- 09/26/24** 2025 Campaign Announcement & Letter
- 10/13/24** Stewardship Sermon I
- 11/03/24** Parishioner Testimonial I
- 11/17/24** Parishioner Testimonial II
- 11/18/24** Pledge Cards Mailed
- 11/24/24** Stewardship Sermon II
- 11/28/24** Thanksgiving Day
- 12/01/24** Pledge Sunday
- 12/15/24** Parishioner Testimonial III (TBD)
- 12/22/24** Deadline to Return Pledge Cards



Bible Study & Fellowship

Join us on 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month from 6:30-8:00PM in Shahnsarian Hall for an interactive Bible Study on the Gospel of John. All ages and backgrounds welcome, no prior knowledge necessary. Come anytime, as often as you'd like, each session is connected to one another but also designed to be stand alone. Feel free to bring a friend!



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, we'll provide quick training and add you to our directory of lectors. For more information contact Karen at karen@homeserviceinteriors.com.



Sunday School Is Back in Session!

Calling all parents of youth ages 5-12! Join us on Sundays for great teachers & interactive lessons on Armenian church & culture. Our classroom is for ages 5-12. Sunday School starts at 11:00 sharp (room opens 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 with any questions at: sundayschool@stthagopfl.org.



Story Time with 'Proud Little Dancers' Author

Children's book author Tamar Kassarian is returning to St. Hagop on Sunday Sept 22nd for a fun day for the whole family. Her new book celebrates cultural pride and dance through the story of young Armenian siblings. Tamar will read to our kids, bring activities and host a mini dance session. Bring your kids before 11am for this special Sunday School class!



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.



Oct. 6th-Special Sunday with Bp. Mesrop

Sunday October 6th will be a special Sunday indeed at St. Hagop! We will be celebrating the first visit to St. Hagop of our Primate, Bp. Mesrop Parsamyan, with an Episcopal Divine Liturgy. After leading worship and preaching, Bp. Mesrop will ordain altar servers to the first rank of *Dpir*. Finally we will bestow a special thanks and honor on Louise Yardumian for her exemplary service of St. Hagop. Join us for worship and a special catered food fellowship in Shahansarian Hall to celebrate this very special day in the life of our church!

Services and Events

Sun. Sept. 15th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School (11 AM) Blessing of the World/Raising of the Cross Coffee Hour Fellowship	10:30am-12:15pm 12:15-12:30pm 12:30pm-1:30pm
Thurs. Sept 19th	Bible Study & Fellowship	6:30pm-8:00pm



This Sunday is the Feast of the Cross

This Sunday the Armenian Church celebrates *Khachverats* the Exaltation of the Cross-1 of 5 major feasts of the Church. We will bless the 4 corners of the earth and venerate the holy cross. After the blessing, you may take home your fragrant basil, a reminder of Christ's sweet victory of life over death.



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!

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 Bejajian, Vasiliki Calikyan, George Caragulla, Henry Demirdjian, Andrea Kaloostian Espinola, Leo Ghoogasian, Michael Hadchikian, Melanya Hakobyan, Janet Haydostian, Jack Kachanian, Jacques Kojian, George Manoulian, Alexander Martirosov, Artur Levon Mikoian, Jack Messerlian, Shake & Ohannes Misirliyan, Sima Palakian, Marusya Poghosyan, Martha Samuelian and 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 Charlie Vartanian, Vaheh Mokhtarians, Martha Ann Garabedian, George Mangigian, Martine Kazian Clements, Jane Holden, Bryan Witeof, Sharon & Glenn Oglesbee, Michele Fender, Andrea Zehnder, Inessa Grigoryan, Patty Arakelian, Stephen Hazerjian, Betty Witzel, Lucian Grove, William Lowrie, Beatrice Kapreilian, 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:

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Krisdos ee mech mer haydnestav.

Christ is revealed among us.

The response is:

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Orhnyal eh haydnootyoonun Krisdosee.

Blessed is the Revelation of Christ.