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Seventh Sunday of the Cross-Discovery of the Cross

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October 27, 2024



Today's Scripture Readings:

Wisdom of Solomon 14:1-8 Isaiah 33:22-34:1
1 Corinthians 1:18-24 Matthew 24:27-36

Gratitude for 2024 Stewards & Completing Your Pledge

Blessings from God and much gratitude for the **114** stewards who gave **\$171,920** to our church in 2024, along with countless hours of care and prayer. To close out your 2024 pledge, just make a payment online or by check by year's end. See our Stewardship 2025 schedule below:

In prayerful consideration and my commitment

My/Our Stewardship

\$ _____, given

Yes, please issue me offering receipt

I/we wish to support \$ _____

Signature: _____

Name(s): _____

Phone/Email: _____

Stewardship 2025 Schedule

Our stewardship committee has drafted the schedule below for 2025. We appreciate all who give of their time and means to our church!

- ~~10/01/24~~ 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 Shahnasarian 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!

Try Our New & Improved Worship Lab!



In order to help you better participate in the Armenian Church Divine Liturgy, we've provided a multi media worship lab-with 24x7 access from the comfort of your home-to sing-a-long, practice games, videos, etc. Our goal is for the entire St. Hagop family, young & old, is to encounter and be formed by God in worship. Go to our website to explore!

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Prayer for Armenian Hostages-Nov 10th

On Sunday November 10th Armenian Churches around the world will hold a prayer service after Sunday worship for Artsakh Armenians who are still held captive in Azerbaijan, one year after the ethnic cleansing of Artsakh. Shining a light on their plight, and trusting in God's deliverance, let us keep our hearts and minds focused on their continued struggle.



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 you this year! Contact us with questions at: sundayschool@sthagopfl.org.



Advent Candlelight Dinner-Dec. 6th

Come all ye faithful! Join us for a candlelight dinner and program on Wednesday, Dec 11th 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 "God is With Us" with speakers reflecting on discovering the presence of God in times of trial. RSVP by Sunday, December 1st to asekizian@gmail.com or contact Chrisanne at the Church office with your name and group size. Admission is free, donations are gratefully accepted.



Santa Visit on December 8th!

On Sunday, Dec. 8th 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).

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.



Services and Events

Sun. Oct. 27th	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School (11 AM) Coffee Hour Fellowship	10:30am-12:15pm 12:30pm-1:30pm
Sun. Nov. 3rd	Divine Liturgy/Sunday School (11 AM) Special Ghapama Fellowship & Tavloo Tournament	10:30am-12:15pm 12:30pm-2:00pm



Special Ghapama Fellowship Nov 3th

Join us Sun. Nov. 3rd after church for a special Ghapama fellowship; a traditional Armenian celebration of abundance for the whole family. There will be a tavloo tournament and music as well as delicious baked, stuffed pumpkin as per tradition! ♪'Hey Jan Ghapama'♪



Bake Sale Sunday Nov. 24th

Our Women's Guild will hold their annual thanksgiving Bake Sale on Sunday, Nov. 24th in the Shahnasarian Hall after Badarak. Enjoy cheese boreg, baklava and many other thanksgiving goodies with coffee and fellowship! Don't forget to purchase some treats for your family, friends and co-workers, supporting our church and Women's Guild.

Requiem Prayers for October

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:

Elise Amboyan, Arpine Avedkian, Araxsi Bannayan, Isgouhi Barsoumian, Ed Derian, Mary Enkababian, Anahid Garabedian, Arshaloos Ikizian, Leonnetta Kachadurian, Sophie Kaloustian, Agop Kassarjian, Haiganoush Kassarjian, Frances Korkoian, Richard Maksian, Haig Mouradian, Nazar Nalbandian, Hermine Pechdimaldji, Vladimir Saakyan, Alexander Sargsyan, Edward Sarkisian, Azniv Serpekian, George Shahnasarian, Alice Sterling, Andrej Stojanovic, Jacqueline Vartanian and Charlie Walker

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:

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.