

A Great Start for 2025 Pledge Stewardship

So far, we have 99 pledges for \$167,365 towards 2025. *May the Lord bless all our offerings!*



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ST. HAGOP ARMENIAN CHURCH - WEEKLY BULLETIN



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2nd Sunday of Great Lent-Sunday of Expulsion

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March 9, 2025



Summer Camp & St. Hagop Camperships

St. Hagop offers 50% tuition scholarships to participants of Diocesan camps (St. Vartan, Hye Camp & St. Nersess) who regularly worship at St. Hagop and are stewards! If you fit these criteria, fill out an application: www.sthagopfl.org/st-hagop-campership-application. For camp dates & other info. visit www.diocesansummercamps.org & www.stnersess.edu.

Armenian Church Camps & Conference Dates

Armenian Summer camps & conferences dates are listed below. Check website links for details. Fr. Hovnan plans to attend St. Vartan Session C as chaplain.

St. Vartan -Session A: Sun. June 29-Sat. July 12 **Session B:** Sun. July 13-Sat. July 26 **Session C:** Sun. July 27-Sat. August 9

Hye Camp-Saturday, July 26-Saturday, August 2

St. Nersess -Deacon's Training-Friday, June 27-Sunday, July 6 **Youth Choir**-Wed., July 9-Sunday, July 13 **High School A**-Sat., July 19-Sunday, July 27

High School B-Sat., August 2-Sunday, August 10



Today's Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 33:2-22 Romans 12:1-13:10 Matthew 5:17-48

Women's Guild Spring Luncheon

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

When: Saturday, March 22, 2025, 11:00am-2:00pm

Where: St. Petersburg Yacht Club, 11 Central Ave., St. Petersburg, FL 33701

Donation: \$40.00 **RSVP** by March 14 to Rita at rita_keshishian@hotmail.com

Gentlemen are welcome! Yacht Club parking compliments of the Women's Guild.

Lahmajoun Available for Purchase!

Back by popular demand, the Women's Guild is again selling Lahmajoun for \$25 for a package of 10. Please see Rita Keshishian or Lucy Calikyan on Sundays after church to purchase. We hope you enjoy this taste of Armenia!

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!

Wine and String Cheese-Wed April 2nd

Come sip some wine and learn to make string cheese! Lorraine & George will be with us again to teach the art of Armenian String Cheese. This fun-filled evening is open to all and will go from 6-9pm. Space is available for 12 participants only. Cost is \$30 per person and includes wine & cheese supplies; plus you'll get to take your cheese home! RSVP by March 20th to Grace Austin. Write checks to St. Hagop Church, "string cheese" in memo.

Help Make St. Hagop Beautiful! Sat. April 12th

Join us on Saturday, April 12th 9AM-2PM to help beautify our St. Hagop grounds ahead of Holy Week & Easter! We plan to spruce up our grounds by putting down mulch around trees & bushes, planting flowers and other small projects. Lunch will be provided. Speak to Henry Mullen or Bobby Maslar if you interested in joining. Thanks in advance for helping us out!

Join Us in Sunday School!

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.

On Sundays You Can't Be With Us-Join Us Online!

For several years now, St. Hagop has livestreamed its church services for those faithful who are not able to attend in person. Though there is no substitute for in person worship & fellowship, we hope God will use this online ministry to help keep you connected to our faith community. You can view video livestreams as well as recorded liturgies & sermons on facebook and youtube, as well as podcasts of sermons. Our church's links are provided below:

www.youtube.com/c/StHagopFlOrg www.facebook.com/St.Hagop www.sthagopfl.org/podcast/

Services and Events

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| Sun. March 9th | Sunrise Service/Lenten Divine Liturgy/Church School (11am) We Believe Lenten Sermon Series Coffee Hour Fellowship | 10:30 am-12:15 pm 12:30 pm-1:30 pm |
| Tue. March 11th | Parish Council Meeting | 6:00 pm-8:00 pm |
| Sun. March 16th | Sunrise Service/Lenten Divine Liturgy/Church School (11am) We Believe Lenten Sermon Series Coffee Hour Fellowship | 10:30 am-12:15 pm 12:30 pm-1:30 pm |
| Thr. March 20th | Bible Study & Fellowship | 6:30 pm-8:00 pm |

We Believe-Lenten Sermon Series

5 Week Lenten Sermon Series (March 9th-April 6th)

This year marks the 1700th Anniversary of the Nicene Creed! Join us to explore the Havadamk, our age-old statement of faith which shapes a Christian life. After our shorter Lenten Badarak, and in place of a sermon, Fr. Hovnan will lead an interactive study on what we say 'we believe' and why it matters. Worship begins & ends at regular times.

Requiem Prayers for March

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:

Aghavnie Akyan, Nishan Apelian, Krikor Atamian, Sherrie Demerjian, John DerDerian, Harout Karajian, Leo Kassabian, George Manooshian, Adrina Movsesian, Shirley Omartian, Jerry Przegendza, Fr. Basilio Talatinian, Thomas Sprecher, Carnig Terzian and Serpouhie Vizoyan

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 Leon Sarkisian, Charlie Vartanian, Bruce Ryder, 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.