



Sunday  
**LECTURE**

March 17

After church coffee hour



**Greek Education in the U.S. :  
Bridging the Past  
Empowering the Future**



Dr. Fevronia K. Soumakis will speak on the current state of Greek American educational institutions in the United States. Drawing upon her 2020 book, *Educating Greek Americans: Historical Perspectives and Contemporary Pathways*, she will highlight the role played by the Greek Orthodox Church, community organizations, and secular institutions, in shaping the discourse on Greek American education. One key theme is the importance of education as a means of preserving and promoting Greek ethnic, religious, and linguistic identity, a long-standing tradition among Greek immigrants in the United States, dating back to the early twentieth century.

Dr. Soumakis holds a PhD in History and Education from Teachers College, Columbia University and teaches at Queens College, The City University of New York. In 2023, her work appeared in *The Greek Revolution and the Greek Diaspora in the United States* and in 2021, in *Redirecting Ethnic Singularity: Italian Americans & Greek Americans in Conversation*.

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