

Special thanks to Immanuel Presbyterian Church for hosting this year's Interfaith Celebration of Gratitude and to all the volunteers who have made this evening possible!

Tonight's Offering...

Benefits Associated Ministries' Interfaith Programs

Interfaith events like tonight's gathering are so very important to our community and to the vulnerable people that we all serve. Associated Ministries' mission of "uniting people of faith to build stronger communities" is only accomplished when we bring people of all faiths together to learn more about one another, create kinships amongst each other and begin to work together to serve those in the margins within our community. Your contribution tonight helps to fund gatherings like this, as well as our interfaith National Day of Prayer service, interfaith Iftar dinner, community dialogues and other opportunities that help build bridges of interfaith unity.

SAVE THE DATE!

**Martin Luther King Jr. Interfaith Service—
Redeeming the Prophetic Vision**

Sunday, January 14, 2018, 2:30-4 p.m. | Urban Grace Church

National Day of Prayer Interfaith Service

Thursday, May 3, 2018, 7:00 p.m. | Location TBD

Interfaith Women's Conference

Saturday, March 19, 2019

***NOW SEEKING VOLUNTEERS TO HELP PLAN
THIS IMPORTANT INTERFAITH GATHERING
FOR WOMEN!***

(sandyw@associatedministries.org for more info!)

*'Standing United with Compassion'
Annual Interfaith
Celebration of Gratitude
at Thanksgiving*



**Immanuel Presbyterian Church
901 North "J" Street
Tacoma, WA 98403**

November 21, 2017

Order of Gathering

Welcome Rev. Dave Brown, Immanuel Presbyterian Church
Mike Yoder, Executive Director, Associated Ministries

Expression of Gratitude Rev. Dave Brown
Mayor Marilyn Strickland

Gathering Song (All) - **page 3** "God Welcomes All"

*****Procession of Light*****

Prayer Cantor Geoffrey Fine
Temple Beth El

"Heal Us Now" Temple Beth El Shir Simcha Choir

Reading Anne Tropeano, Pastoral Associate
Compassion—Henri J.M. Nouwen* St. Leo Catholic Parish

Chant—Ishq Allah Mahbood Lillah Majid Worthen
Sufi Ruhaniat International

"Look at the World" Immanuel Presbyterian Choir

Reading/Chant Rev. Kojo Kakihara
Tacoma Buddhist Temple

Offering Mike Yoder

"A Poor Wayfaring Man of Grief" The Pogue Family
Lincoln Ward, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Musical Talent

"Heal Us Now" by Leon Sher
Temple Beth El Shir Simcha Choir
Led by Cantor Geoffrey Fine

"Look at the World"
Immanuel Presbyterian Choir
Led by Jeff Orr

"A Poor Wayfaring Man of Grief" by George Coles &
James Montgomery
The Pogue Family
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

"This is Our Song"
La Voz de Paz Interfaith Choir
Led by Karla Jo Tupper

"In This House" by Beth Schafer
Thanksgiving Interfaith Choir
Led by Cantor Geoffrey Fine

Thank you to the Planning Committee!
Rev. Dave Brown, Immanuel Presbyterian Church
Carole Breitenbach, Immanuel Presbyterian Church
Jeff Orr, Immanuel Presbyterian Church
Rev. Frances Lorenz, Center for Spiritual Living
Cantor Geoffrey Fine, Temple Beth El
Karla Jo Tupper, Baha'i's of Pierce County-Peninsula
Rev. Linda Hart, Tahoma Unitarian Universalist Congregation
Jerry Waterhouse, St. Leo's Catholic Parish
Mike Yoder Associated Ministries
Sandy Windley, Associated Ministries

Congregational Closing Song
Led by Thanksgiving Interfaith Choir
Directed by Cantor Geoffrey Fine

“In This House”

Lyrics by Beth Schafer

CHORUS

In this house, in this house, it all comes together in this house

In this house, in this house, it all comes together in this house of God.

In this house beats the heart of a family
In this house is the center of a community
We study and we pray, find meaning in each day
In this house, in this house, in this house

In this house we can shelter, we can clothe and feed
In this house there is always help for those in need
A stranger makes a friend, becomes inspired again
In this house, in this house, in this house

CHORUS

A house of study (in this house), a house of prayer (in this house)
A house of gathering (in this house), from everywhere (in this house)
How lovely (in this house) when our voices join together (in this house)
Blessing upon blessing built these walls (in this house)

CHORUS

Order of Gathering, con't.

Prayer “The Kinship of Gratitude” Rev. Frances Lorenz
Center for Spiritual Living

Prayer/Supplication Huda Al Gazali & Alaa Al Shaibani
Islamic Center of Tacoma

“This is Our Song” La Voz de Paz Interfaith Choir

Closing Prayer & Benediction Rev. Linda Hart
Tahoma Unitarian Universalist Congregation

Closing Song “In This House”
Page 5 Thanksgiving Interfaith Choir

Join us for a reception immediately following in
Immanuel’s Fellowship Hall downstairs!



As a courtesy to one another, please **POWER OFF** all cell phones.
Additionally, to hold the sacred space we share, we ask that there be
no applause during the service.
Thank you!

Congregational Gathering Song

“God Welcomes All”

Procession of Light

Each participating faith tradition is represented by a member of their tradition, being a bearer of light, representing harmony, hope and thanksgiving.

Bearers of Light

Majid Worthen, Sufi Ruhaniat International

Kevin Iverson, Center for Spiritual Living

Creighton Pogue, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Rev. Kojo Kakihara, Buddhist

Chris Gilbert, Baha'i

Suzanne Leichman, Jewish

Jerry Waterhouse, Roman Catholic

Protestant

Muslim

Unitarian Universalist

*Compassion reading from St. Leo's Catholic Parish:
Adapted from “The Wounded Healer”, Henri J.M. Nouwen,
Image Books, 1979

The 13 Middot or Attributes of G-d

ויעבר יהוה | על־פניו ויקרא יהוה | יהוה

אל רחום ותנון ארך אפים ורב־חסד ואמת:

זַ נֶצַר חסד לאלפים נשא עון ופשע וחטאה

ונקה לא ינקה פקד | עון אבות

על־בנים ועל־בני בנים על־שלשים ועל־רבעים:

From the Torah: Exodus Chapter 34 Verses 6-7

Chanted in Hebrew by Cantor Geoffrey Fine

Translation from Hebrew to English:

The Eternal One passed before him (Moses), and proclaimed,
“The Eternal!, The Eternal! a G-d compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger,
abounding in kindness and faithfulness, extending kindness to
the thousandth generation,
forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin – yet not remitting all
punishment,
but visiting the iniquity of parents upon children and children's
children, upon the third and fourth generations.

Sufi Chant—Ishq Allah Mahbood Lillah

Chanted by Majid Worthen

In Ecstatic Sufi Poetry, the terms “The Friend” and “The Be-
loved” are used for the Divine Being, and the words “lovers of
God” for ourselves. Therefore this phrase translates as:

Love is. Lover and Beloved are one in that love. /Or/
God is Love, Lover, and Beloved.