

# The Interfaith Center for Spiritual Growth

## JULY 2025



### Sunday Celebration Service

10:45 a.m. ~ 12:15 p.m.

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# THE INTERFAITH CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

## Celebration Services

### JULY 2025

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Invocation**

**Spirit Song**

**Sharing Love/Building Community**

See the Divine within all you meet.  
Share greetings with a smile, a hand  
shake, “Namaste” or a hug if  
mutually desired. You may choose  
to mingle or sit in meditation.

**Spiritual Reading**

**Meditation Chant & Meditation**

**Special Music**

**Message**

**Special Music**

**Offering Blessing**

*We fill these offerings with our love and blessings,  
sending them forth to bring peace to our world.*

**Benediction**

*Let there be Peace on Earth, and let it begin  
with me. (2x)  
May God's spirit rest upon you,  
May God's peace abide in you,  
May the light of God fill your heart and soul  
Now and forevermore.*

**Closing**

Our circle of love is ended but not broken.  
In peace we have met; in peace we now depart.

**July 6**

Service Leader: Janet Somalinog

Message: Greg Knollmeyer

“Practical Taoism”

Reading & Meditation: Lisa Teets

Special Music: Bob Rama & Selena Batista

**July 13**

Service Leader: Rev. Lyriel Claire

Message: Rev. Brett Koon

“Giving Up Your Escape Route”

Reading: Dick Durham

Meditation: Marilyn Alf

Special Music: Don Digirolamo

**July 20**

Service Leader: Rev. Delyth Balmer

Message: Rev. Dwight Wilson

“Unleashing Compassion”

Reading: Marian Orihel

Meditation: Norah Reilly

Special Music: Dan Bilich

**July 27**

Service Leader: Rev. Annie Kopko

Message: Rev. Sari Brown

“Healing At The Roots”

Reading :Bonnie Dede

Meditation: Adam Salomone

Special Music: TBA

Refreshments In the Social Hall after service.  
Please join us!

## Connections

### Zoom Link for Sunday Services

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/440540886>

Phone in: (929) 205-6099

### Facebook Link

<https://www.facebook.com/interfaithspirit/>

### Interfaith YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/user/interfaith704>

## Welcome Table

If you are new to Interfaith, we hope you stop by the welcome table to pick up a welcome packet containing information about the Center and a welcome gift!

### Hosts

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday: Bob Hopkins

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: Marice Clark

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Barb Fisher, Cooper Holland  
& Sandy Hill

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Annemarie Howse

## Volunteer Opportunities

### Annemarie Howse, Volunteer Coordinator -

There are many ways you may offer your talents and support to the Interfaith Center.

Contact Annemarie Howse at (818) 667-2815 or email [ahowse21@gmail.com](mailto:ahowse21@gmail.com) for information on volunteer opportunities.



## Special Events in July

### Sunday, July 6

**Potluck** following the service. All are welcome!

**AND**

### **QCC – Quarterly Conversation in Community**

1:00 – 3:00 p.m. (in person & on zoom)

All are welcome and encouraged to attend this quarterly meeting. The agenda is generated by those in attendance. Join the discussion with your Board, Executive Team and fellow community members.

### Wednesday, July 9

#### **Kirtan with Cheryl Chaffee**

7:00 – 8:30 p.m. (in person only)

Cost: Love Donation (see flyer for details)

### Saturday, July 12

#### **Cafe 704 – “Relics of the Future” Tim Berla, Charles Dayringer, Jim Cooney, Paul Girard & Paul Bailey**

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

Tickets: \$10.00 in person or Livestream on Zoom

### Saturday, July 19

#### **Drummmunity – Drum Circle with Lori Fithian**

7:00 – 8:30 p.m. \*(in person only)

Donations appreciated. (in person)

### Sunday, July 27

#### **Annual Murray Lake Picnic**

#### **Hosted by Dawn Swartz and Jim Windak**

1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Bring a dish to share.

Cost: \$10.00 per person.

Scholarships available, ask Delyth 734-657-5384.

You must sign up in advance for entry to this private lake. **Sign up** at the Center or contact Dawn Swartz at 313-204-0060.

Read the front page article in the July Interfaith Inspirer to learn more about this Annual Picnic...and plan to be there!!!!

## Board of Trustees



**Lance Clark,  
Chair**



**Cristo Bowers**



**Peggy Lubahn,  
Secretary**



**Don Digirolamo**



**Marian Orihel**



**Dawn Swartz**

Board meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> **Sunday** of each month in person at the Center and on Zoom from **1:00 to 3:00 p.m.** unless otherwise announced. The meetings are open for all to attend and community input is greatly appreciated. You may communicate with the board by email: [board@interfaithspirit.org](mailto:board@interfaithspirit.org) or by placing a note in the suggestion box near the bulletin board.

### Vision Statement

As expressions of divinity we celebrate  
a world awakened to Love.

### Mission Statement

Our mission is to explore universal truths underlying all paths of spiritual growth by providing weekly fellowship, learning and service opportunities, and social events to create and inspire a vibrant and diverse spiritual community.

## Sunday Greeters Coordinator-Randall Counts

### At the Center:

Carol Bardenstein  
Randall Counts  
Rob Fagerlund  
Diane Gledhill  
Craig Harvey  
Lindsay Passmore  
Catherine Powers  
Norah Reilly

### On Zoom

Jean Balent  
Vicki Davinich  
Cayla Tchaló



## Sunday Tech Team

### Sound

Craig Brann  
Don Digirolamo  
Diane Gledhill

### Camera

Layla Ananda  
Craig Harvey  
Dave Snyder





## Interfaith Center for Spiritual Growth Regularly Scheduled Activities

Events are weekly unless otherwise specified.

### Monday

#### **A Course in Miracles Study Group**

*On Zoom Only*

6:45 – 8:45 p.m.

David Bell (734) 646-8475

**Meeting ID: 862 4978 9262**

**Password: miracles**

### Tuesday

#### **Death Cafe \* 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday\***

*On Zoom Only*

6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Annie Kopko (734) 358-1328

**Meeting ID: 284 903 577# Password: 674985**

#### **Sufi Gathering – Imam Kamau Ayubbi**

*On Zoom Only*

7:00 – 8:00 pm donation: \$5-\$10

Delyth Balmer (734) 657-5384

**Meeting ID: 883 478 525**

### Wednesday

#### **Wednesday Social Hour**

*On Zoom Only*

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Peggy Lubahn

**Meeting ID: 858 0182 1285 Passcode: 715589**

#### **Community Sing with Matt Watroba**

**\* 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday\***

*In Person*

**(no gathering in July or August, resumes Sept. 10)**

7:00 – 8:30 p.m. \$5-10 donations suggested,

We are seeking \$ sponsors to help support this event.

### Thursday

#### **A Course in Miracles Study Group**

*On Zoom Only* 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Randall Counts (517) 750-8087

**Meeting ID: 896 0232 7682**

#### **Singing for Comfort \* 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday\***

*In Person and On Zoom* 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Layla Ananda (734) 646-7405

**Meeting ID: 338 524 966**

**Password: 311926**

### Friday

#### **Interfaith Creative Expressions Group**

*in person only* 1:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Marice Clark (248) 760-3878

#### **Peace Generator \* 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday\***

*In Person and On Zoom*

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Craig Harvey (734) 709-0253

**Meeting ID: 213 742 5638**

### Saturday

#### **Café 704 \* 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday\***

*In Person and on Zoom (purchase ticket for the link)*

7:00 – 9:00 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

Tickets: \$10.00 in person or on zoom

Al Carter [cafe704@gmail.com](mailto:cafe704@gmail.com)

#### **Drumcommunity – Lori Fithian \* 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday\***

*In Person*

July 19, August 16, Sept. 20 etc.

7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Lori Fithian: [lorifithian@mac.com](mailto:lorifithian@mac.com)

## Regularly Scheduled Meetings

### Leadership Team Meeting

**2nd Sunday**

1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Bob Hopkins (734) 985-5572

### Board of Trustees Meeting

**3rd Sunday**

All are welcome to attend.

on Zoom and in person

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

**Meeting ID: 823 1458 7072**

[board@interfaithspirit.org](mailto:board@interfaithspirit.org)

### Caring Committee Meeting

**1st Thursday on Zoom**

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Marilyn Alf, Chair

[sdtoaa@gmail.com](mailto:sdtoaa@gmail.com)



## Transportation:

### Need a Ride/Give a Ride

If you need a ride to Interfaith or to medical appointments OR are available to provide a ride on an as needed basis please contact the Caring Committee.

## Stay Connected – Here's How

**PLEASE stay in the loop** and join the Interfaith Center's email group communications through **Interfaithspirit@groups.io**.

Posts to this group include local events, requests for prayers or assistance and other topics of interest to this community.

You do not have to be a member of the Interfaith Center to join the group or to send/receive messages.

To join:

- Use the email account where you wish to receive Interfaith group emails.
- Send an email to [interfaithspirit+subscribe@groups.io](mailto:interfaithspirit+subscribe@groups.io).
- You will receive an email request to: "confirm your [groups.io](https://groups.io) Subscription" (Check your Junk/Spam folder if you don't see it.) Then reply to the email you have received.

### Interfaith on YouTube

Most of our Sunday messages, guest musicians, readings and meditations are video recorded and made available on YouTube for you to view anytime.

Go to: <https://www.youtube.com/user/interfaith704/videos>

### Facebook

Check out our Facebook page:

<http://www.facebook.com/interfaithspirit>

### Connect to our internet while at the Center

**Network name: ICSGLove**

**wifi password: interfaithspirit**

## Caring Committee Members and Contact Information

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