

Interfaith Center for Spiritual Growth

December 2025



Sunday Celebration Services

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

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INTERFAITH CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH
CELEBRATION SERVICES
DECEMBER 2025

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation/Peace Prayer

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

Guest Artist

Message

Guest Artist

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.

December 7

Service Leader: Rev. Lyriel Claire

Message: Interfaith Resolution Committee

Rev. Layla Ananda, Rev. Annie Kopko,
Janet Fry & Craig Harvey

“Compassionate Resolution”

Reading: Rob Fagerlund

Meditation: Jennifer Lenders

Guest Artists: Marlena Studer & Steve Ragsdale

December 14

Service Leader: Marian Orihel

Message: Imam Kamau Ayubbi

"Situational Awareness ~ Acknowledging
the Whole to Find The Divine"

Reading: Norah Reilly

Meditation: Idgie Patterson

Guest Artist: Abby Alwin

December 21

Service Leader: Rev. Layla Ananda

Message: ICSG Community

"Holiday Traditions: Religious/Cultural/Familial"

Reading: Marilyn Alf

Meditation: Janet Fry

Guest Artists: Dawn Swartz & The Interfaith Chorale

December 28

Service Leader: Craig Harvey

Message: Rev. Annie Kopko

“Time to Let Go”

Reading: Ryan O'Reilly

Meditation: Lisa Teets

Guest Artist: Layla Ananda

Affirmative Prayers at the Lotus Window on request.

Refreshments in the Social Hall after service.

Special Events in December

Sunday, December 7

Potluck following the service. All are welcome!

Candlelight Meditation Concert

with Norma Gentile

4:00 pm

In person and on zoom

\$20.00 suggested donation

Wednesday, December 10

Community Sing with Matt Watroba

7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Suggested Donation \$5-\$10

Friday, December 12

Winter Solstice Pagan Chant Sing Along

with Nora Farley

7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Donations Welcome!

Saturday, December 13

**Cafe 704 – Marlena’s “Jazzy Little Christmas”
& Community Sing-Along**

Marlena Studer, Steve Ragsdale & Friends

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

Tickets: \$10.00 - \$20.00 (sliding scale) in person or

Livestream on Zoom

PLUS: Holiday Artisan 704

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

continues **Sunday Dec. 14** after service.

Connections

Zoom Link for Sunday Services

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/440540886>

Facebook Link

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

Interfaith YouTube Channel

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

Friday, December 19

Annual Holiday Party

5:00 - 8:00 p.m. (\$15.00 suggested donation)

- Ugly Sweater Contest
- White Elephant Gift Exchange
- Nacho/Taco Bar
- Sweets (brought by attendees to share) and MORE!

RSVP at:

<https://forms.gle/2Q52XpqKZhdvL8nx8>

Saturday, December 20

**Winter Solstice Sing Along – Lori Fithian, Jean
Chorazyczewski & friends**

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

NOTE: You must Reserve a spot/max. 100 in Sanctuary:

<https://rsvp.church/r/pL4u8kl2>

Additional seating for 40 will be available in the social hall.

Wednesday, December 24

Christmas Eve Candlelighting Service

7:00–8:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 25

Christmas Day Potluck Dinner

1:00 – 3:00 pm (or beyond)

Ham provided by the Caring Committee

Sign up at the Center or on Meal Train:

<https://mealtrain.com/7886zn>

Sunday, December 28

Tarot Meet-Up with Rev. Lyriel Claire

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

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

2nd Sunday: Bob Hopkins

3rd Sunday: Marice Clark

4th Sunday: Barb Fisher, Cooper Holland & Sandy Hill

Board of Trustees



**Lance Clark,
Chair**



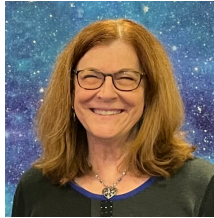
Cristo Bowers



**Peggy Lubahn,
Secretary**



Don Digirolamo



Marian Orihel



Dawn Swartz

Board meetings are held on the 3rd 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 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.

ATTENTION: Please send submissions for the Interfaith Inspirer
Newsletter by the 10th of the month to: newsletter@interfaithspirit.org

Sunday Greeters

Coordinator-Diane Gledhill

At the Center:

Carol Bardenstein

Dick Durham

Rob Fagerlund

Curtis Glatter

Diane Gledhill

Craig Harvey (sub)

Bob Hopkins

Ryan & Liam O'Reilly

Lindsay Passmore

Ted Poprafsky (sub)

Dan Ramsey

Norah Reilly

Connie Snow

Andy Walker

On Zoom

Jean Balent

Vicki Davinich



Sunday Tech Team

Sound

Craig Brann

Don Digirolamo

Diane Gledhill

Camera

Layla Ananda

Craig Harvey

Dave Snyder