

Services for the Week of February 25, 2017



Saturday, February 25, 2017

10:00 AM COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

RC Robert Petrovich

Lector: RC Roger Weld

Cantor: Rev. Larry Coesens

Reader: Rev. Vickie Hewlett

Sunday, February 26, 2017

6:31 AM DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 5:45

Gate: 6:15

Sunrise: 6:45

RC Ted Staver

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

Organist: RC Gary Buchanan

OPEN-AIR COMMUNION

<i>Church of the Races of Man</i>	RC Robert Petrovich
<i>Church of the Americas</i>	Rev. Harold Boulette
<i>Church of the New Covenant</i>	Dea. Shane Grady

Wednesday, March 1, 2017

12:00 N COMMUNION

Chapel of the Holy Child

Rev. Karen Elliott

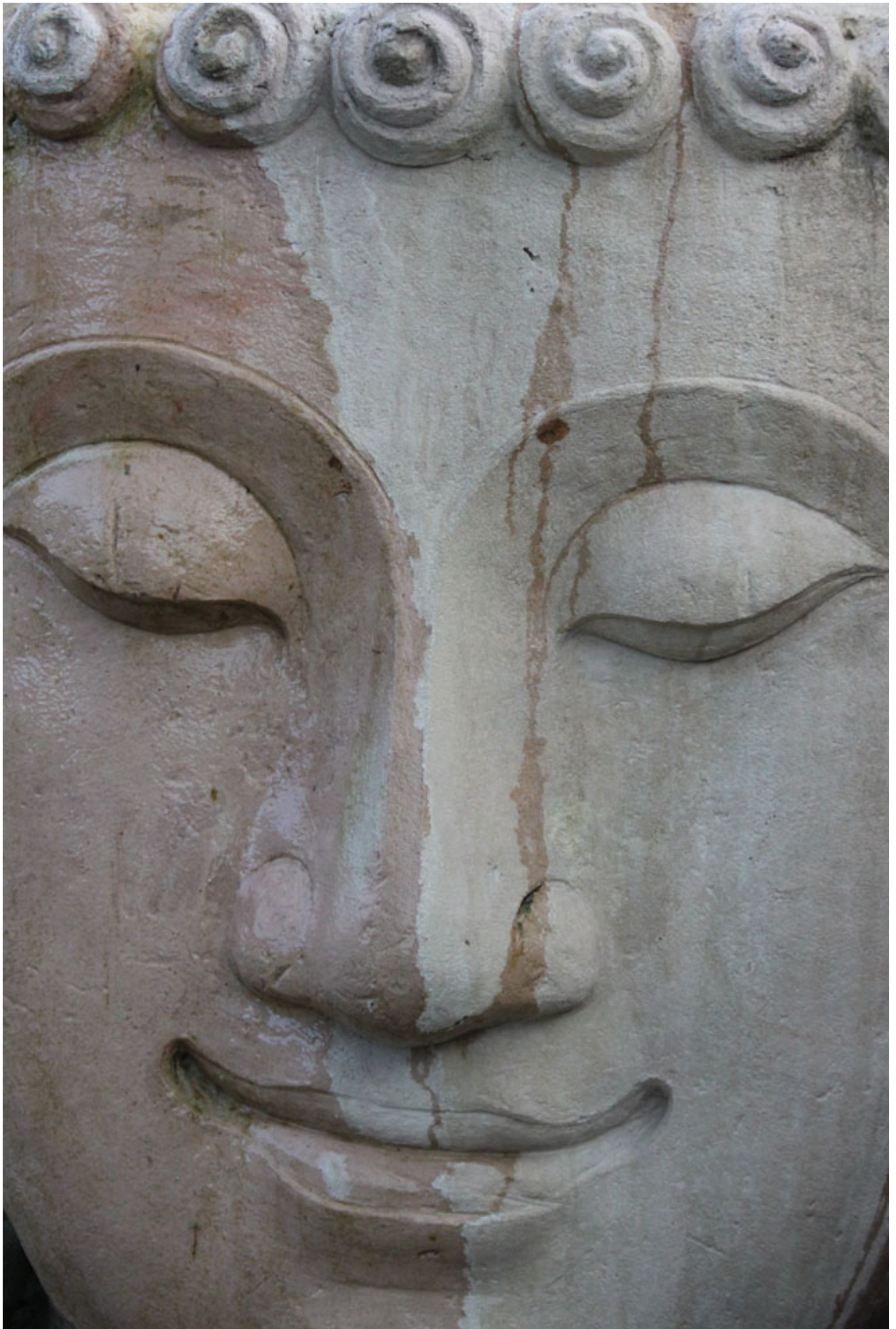
Friday, March 3, 2017

9:00 AM PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP

Chapel of the Roses

RM Elizabeth Reece

**GALLERY PHOTO: Buddha Garden,
Steamboat Healing Center**



Buddha Garden Fountain at Steamboat Healing Center PHOTO:
Muriel Curry

Services for the Week of February 18, 2017



Saturday, February 18, 2017

10:00 AM COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Lector: RC Rebecca Willis

Cantor: Rev. Harold Boulette

Reader: Gary Huss Jr.

Sunday, February 19, 2017

6:48 AM DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:00

Gate: 6:30

Sunrise: 7:03

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

Organist: RC Gary Buchanan

OPEN-AIR COMMUNION

Church of the Golden Age of Light

RM Carol Ann Crabb

Church of the Universal Theocracy

RM Elizabeth Reece

Church of the Americas

Rev. Barbara Whitney

Wednesday, February 22, 2017

12:00 N COMMUNION

Chapel of the Holy Child

Rev. Harold Boulette

Friday, February 24, 2017

9:00 AM PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP

Chapel of the Roses

RC Peter Foust

Cosolargy in Japan Expands Outreach Publications



Cover of the Japanese edition of
Jamil: Child of Light

The Cosolargy Institute in Japan (CIJ) recently completed several new translations of Community books.

CIJ began offering the 24-month program Academy Symposium to the first group of Japanese students on February 2, 2010. The first group of Japanese student finished the 2 year program "Academy Symposium" in 2012. A while later, the Japanese Community prepared to publish Japanese editions of several

books related to Cosolargy.

Since 2012 was the 50-year cycle after the appearance of the Sun of Righteousness in 1962, the Community in Japan thought it was a very good time to begin publishing these books for the public in the year celebrating the 50-year cycle. They started publishing the following year, in 2013.

Because the Institute of Cosolargy Japan is prohibited from any business transaction, in order to protect our teachings Cosolargy Japan consigns, publish, and distributes all Japanese edition books through E-Ma. Sound Corporation, which is the sound therapy company of Bishop Yukinori Matsushita.

The first book published by the Japanese Community was Project X: The Search for the Secrets of Immortality. The publication of this book was followed by a second book, Jamil: Child of Light, and a third book, Prophecy of the End Times. All these books represented the physical body, the psychic body, and the Light (Spiritual) body in various ways.

The Community in Japan picked publication dates for these books that were connected with the author, Gene Savoy Sr. For example, May 11 was his birthday and August 8th was the first time he spoke about Cosolargy in public to the people in United States of America, and the anniversaries of these dates were used as dates of publication.

Marie Momoi, a professional translator, is also a Japanese student of Cosolargy, and it is she who translated two of the books recently published in Japan, Project X: The Search for the Secrets of Immortality and the The Lost Gospel of Jesus.

Bishop Yukinori Matsushita, translation supervisor, made some valuable comments in the foreword to the new Japanese edition of the The Lost Gospel of Jesus. A translation appears below:

Japan is making big social changes as the Tokyo Olympics approach in 2020. It might be God's blessing that we are able

to publish this book in this time. The story of Jesus is not quite familiar in Japan. Here Christian churches are looked upon as places where people can study in English or hold a Christmas Service or study a little bit in Japanese about the Bible. But we can find stories about Kobo-Daishi or Prince Shook that are similar to the story of Jesus. Kobo-Daishi preached about "Sokushinbutsu," which can be interpreted to mean, "the possibility of creating a Buddha body while alive." Jesus also said, "Unless a man be born again of fire and water, he will never enter the kingdom of heaven." So we can find commonality between both stories.

Originally the teaching of Jesus Christ was a teaching of Light – walking in Light, living in Light, or living The Way to enter the Worlds of Light. But these teachings were given orally and do not exist in written form because these teachings are paradoses, prohibited to be told outside the school and never to be printed. This book, *The Lost Gospel of Jesus*, provides an explanation of the paradosis teaching. There is a book called *The Child of Light* written about how this teaching came into the this world at this time. I recommend reading *The Child of Light* if you are interested.

The translation of the present book, *Lost Gospel of Jesus*, was very difficult because there is not much information about Jesus in Japan. But translator Marie Momoi researched very carefully and found much information through her efforts. I am very grateful for her hard work and determination. The original edition of *The Lost Gospel of Jesus: Hidden Teaching of Christ* was written by Gene Savoy Sr. in 1978. This book gave great inspiration to people to seek the teachings of Light in English-speaking counties. I hope this Japanese edition of the book conveys the true teaching of Jesus to Christian seekers in Japan looking for truth in this modern age.

[Follow this link to a listing of Japanese edition books on Cosolargy offered at Amazon.](#)

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original Japanese article by Eriko Ueno translated into English by Noriko Roy

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Harriet Hewlett

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Those who gave their lives in defense of our nation 75 years
ago in Pearl Harbor †

Sita Manibhai †

Harriet Hewlett

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Mikayla Stephens

James Wilsey, III

Carys Wilsey

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Rev. David Solomon Hall

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Mikayla Stephens

James Wilsey, III

Carys Wilsey

Harriet Hewlett †

Rev. David Solomon Hall

Donna Hubach

Walter Harris †

Nadine Marchuk †

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Fleurette Proulx †

Koren Youngman

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Koren Youngman

† indicates Memorial Prayer

Services for the Week of February 11, 2017



Saturday, February 11, 2017

10:00 AM COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Lector: RC Ted Staver

Cantor: Rev. Michael Tamburello

Reader: Rev. Barbara Whitney

Sunday, February 12, 2017

6:48 AM DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:00

Gate: 6:30
Sunrise: 7:03
RR Gene Savoy Jr.
Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney
Organist: RC Gary Buchanan

OPEN-AIR COMMUNION

Church of the Christian Churches Dea. Stephan Fuelling
Church of the End Times Rev. Shinobu Uwataki

Wednesday, February 15, 2017
12:00 N COMMUNION
Chapel of the Holy Child
Rev. James Elliott

Friday, February 17, 2017
9:00 AM PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP
Chapel of the Roses
Rev. Barbara Whitney

**Rev. Mother Ileana Isfan
Passes into the Light,**

Memorial Service Held



Reverend Mother Ileana Isfan c. 2007

Reverend Mother Ileana Isfan (February 21, 1926 – November 15, 2016) passed away at the age of 90 at her residence at Steamboat Hot Springs in Reno, Nevada. The Reverend Mother Ileana Isfan passed into the Light on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at noon. An Anointing of the remains was held on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 3:00 pm.

A Memorial Service was held to celebrate her life on Saturday, January 21, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel of the Holy Child. In attendance were members of the Reno Church Community who had known her.

The inspirational readings delivered during the memorial service were written by two poets that Rev. Mother Ileana had revered and were read by two of her closest friends in the Community.

A poem by the 13th-century Persian poet Rumi, read by Rev. Mother Rebecca Willis:

*Who gets up early to discover the moment light begins?
Who finds us here circling, bewildered like atoms?
Who comes to a spring thirsty
and sees the moon reflected in it?
Who like Jacob, blind with grief and age,
smells the shirt of his lost son and can see again?
Who lets a bucket down and brings up a flowing prophet?
Or, like Moses, goes for fire and finds what burns inside the
sunrise?
Jesus slips into a house to escape enemies
and opens a door to the other world.
Solomon cuts open a fish, and there is a gold ring.
Omar storms in to kill the Prophet and leaves with blessings.
Chase a deer and end up everywhere.
An oyster opens his mouth to swallow one drop.
Now there is a pearl.*

*A vagrant wanders empty ruins.
Suddenly he is wealthy.
But do not be satisfied with stories,
how things have gone with others.
Unfold your own myth,
without complicated explanations,
so everyone will understand the passage,
We have opened you.
Start walking toward Shams, the teacher, the sun.
Your legs will get heavy and tired.
Then comes a moment of feeling the wings you have grown,
lifting.*

A poem by Kahlil Gibran, "On Friendship," read by Rev. Mother Carol Ann Crabb:

*Your friend is your needs answered.
He is your field which you sow with love and reap with
thanksgiving.
And he is your board and your fireside.
For you come to him with your hunger, and you seek him for
peace.*

*When your friend speaks his mind you fear not the "nay" in
your own mind, nor do you withhold the "ay."
For without words, in friendship, all thoughts, all desires,
all expectations are born and shared, with joy that is
unacclaimed.
When you part from your friend, you grieve not;
For that which you love most in him may be clearer in his
absence, as the mountain to the climber is clearer from the
plain.
And let there be no purpose in friendship save the deepening
of the spirit.
For love that seeks aught but the disclosure of its own*

mystery is not love but a net cast forth: and only the unprofitable is caught.

And let your best be for your friend.

If he must know the ebb of your tide, let him know its flood also.

For what is your friend that you should seek him with hours to kill?

Seek him always with hours to live.

For it is his to fill your need, but not your emptiness.

And in the sweetness of friendship let there be laughter, and sharing of pleasures.

For in the dew of little things the heart finds its morning and is refreshed.



The eulogy, delivered by Rev. Mother Rebecca Willis, recounted her life in the Community and the events previous to the forty years she spent in residence that had led her to the spiritual life and prepared her for it:

REVEREND MOTHER ILEANA ISFAN (February 21, 1926 – November 15, 2016)

She was indeed a Mother to this community. She joined the Church in 1974, and soon thereafter was commuting from the San Francisco area, and at the center of the life of the community. She was the editor of our books, she helped raise Geno, Sean and Jamila. She was friend, confidant and mentor to members who arrived to join the Community. She taught in the Parochial School, and nurtured students to become award winning artists. During her many years at the Rectory she presided over the kitchen, whether it was routine household meals, an elegant lunch for Reverend Gene's guests, breakfast taken out to Red Rock, or meals for Seminar. It was Ileana's apartment where everyone came for all manner of needs, from wrapping paper or shoe polish, to advice or a sympathetic ear. She dedicated herself totally to the building of this Church.

To know her as the intelligent, sophisticated and well educated lady that she was, it is hard to imagine her early growing up years. She was born February 21st , or 22nd, 1926 in Saskatchewan, Canada. There was confusion over the date, because she was born at home near midnight, so it was recorded as 21st in one document, and 22nd in another. Her family farmed a section of land, and she went to a one room school. Transport to school was horse drawn, and there were stories of the sleigh tipping over in a blizzard and having to be rescued. It was a large family, twelve children in all,

mostly boys. Her father came from Romania to Canada, and although her mother was born in Canada, she spoke primarily Romanian. It was her mother who emphasized education. Education was the key to leaving the rigors of their agricultural based life.

When a government sponsored full scholarship for college became available she applied, won and enrolled in engineering at the University of Saskatchewan. Engineering would not have been her chosen field, but it was a college education, so she made the best of it and selected in a course in Ceramic Engineering. The math portions of the curriculum were not her favorite, but she had a great love for science. Although the resulting education eventually led to her urban life in the United States, the early farm years gave her a grit and determination that was truly formidable, as was learned by anyone who tried to oppose her once her mind was made up. After completing several years at the University she was called in by the Dean and informed that it did not matter how well she did in her studies, they would never award a degree in engineering to a woman. So she transferred to the University of Texas where they would accept all of her credits.

It was in Texas that she met an American sailor named Douglas Baugh, and married. They eventually moved to the San Francisco area where Douglas taught English in a Community College. In this environment Ileana rounded out her education; listening to Douglas and his friends over dinner gave her the humanities side of her education she felt she lacked. They lived in Berkley for a while, where Ileana owned a pottery business named the California Faience Company that made hand-made decorative tile. And it was here she studied painting and drawing with a man who was able to unleash her innate artistic talent. Ileana and Douglas became interested in crystals, and gem stones and they began collecting with the assistance of close friends. It was this background that

gave her expertise to run the Jewel Guild, contracting with a company in Reno for the manufacture of crosses and sacred threads for the Church.

The Pottery company had been sold and Ileana was working as a technical editor for a company in California when a friend invited her to attend a lecture in San Francisco, given by Gene Savoy. As she listened to the lecture she saw the room fill with light, and knew immediately this was something of vital importance. She talked to him after the lecture, and when he learned that she was an editor, he invited her to come to Reno to assist him. And so she began to commute, weeks in Reno, weekends in California with her husband. This pattern continued for a while until her husband demanded that she spend more time at home, and she chose Reno and the Church. Her divorce settlement enabled her to help with the purchase of the Chancellery.

When she began the editing work Reverend Gene had written several books which were in dire need of editing. She described them as being one continuous run-on sentence. So she took on the monumental task of editing without changing, to Reverend Gene's very demanding standards. And it was all done in pencil, on yellow pads. Ileana was not comfortable with things she considered gadgets, and that included typewriters, computers, answering machines, cell phones, or electric can openers. And although she was the driver of the Rector car, she was never really comfortable driving a car, and never particularly good at it. I gained a new perspective on this when I heard a story from one of her relatives about her father driving a tractor after many years of farming with horses. He never understood the gear shift, so put the tractor in any old random gear and shouted obscenities in Romanian when the tractor refused to do what he wanted. Ileana grew up in a world of horses, wood burning stoves, home baked bread and her mother's ample vegetable garden. When she moved from the Rectory to Steamboat she felt she had

spent too much time indoors, so tackled gardening on the Steamboat grounds. That was a legacy from her farm years. She did love growing things.

We say thank you to this intelligent, well educated, talented woman who gave everything she had to building this Church; her dedication, her love, her time, all her resources. She was truly at the heart of the Community, the teachings, the books, and the physical well-being of the members. She nurtured us all with her love, her advice, her insights and her cooking.



Reverend Mother Ileana Isfan preparing Easter brunch a number of years ago.



A reception followed at Bishopstead on Carmel with food prepared by Rev. Francine Petrovich. Francine had first cooked in the kitchen at the Rectory-Abbey with Ileana more than twenty years ago, and the meal they prepared then had a French theme. In memory of this event, Francine prepared for the reception meal a French-themed dejeuner which included champagne truffles to reflect Ileana's refined taste for sweets and a table decorated with some of Ileana's favorite flowers, pink baby roses and purple gladiolas.



(left to right) Revs. Amanda Buchanan and Francine Petrovich
inspect table before opening the reception

Services for the Week of February 4, 2017



Saturday, February 4, 2017

10:00 AM COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Lector: RM Elizabeth Reece

Cantor: Rev. Robert Roy

Reader: Claudia Grady

Sunday, February 5, 2017

ADVENT DAY VIGIL

6:55 AM DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:00

Gate: 6:30

Sunrise: 7:10

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

Organist: RC Gary Buchanan

OPEN-AIR COMMUNION

Church of the Christian Churches

RC Peter Foust

Church of the End Times

Rev. Mary Foust

Monday, February 6, 2017

ADVENT DAY VIGIL

6:55 AM DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 6:00

Gate: 6:30

Sunrise: 7:10

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

Organist: RC Gary Buchanan

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

12:00 N COMMUNION

Chapel of the Holy Child

Rev. Francine Petrovich

Friday, February 10, 2017

9:00 AM PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP

Chapel of the Roses

RC Roger Weld

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Gary Sharpe

Kelly Sharpe

Harriet Hewlett

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Harriet Hewlett

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2017 MLK Jr Event in Reno Hosted by AME Church



Son of Onie Cooper, deceased, past president of Martine Luther King Jr Holiday Committee, addresses the audience

In 2017 the Northern Nevada Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Committee and the Nevada Clergy Association presented community memorial events in the Reno community in celebration of the Martin Luther King, Jr.:

***The 31st Annual Interfaith Community Memorial Service
Sunday, January 15, 2017 3:00 Pm
Bethel AME Church
2655 Rock Blvd., Sparks, Nv 89431***

***The 19th Annual Community Memorial Caravan
Monday, January 16, 2017 10:00 AM
Meeting at Bethel AME Church
2655 Rock Blvd., Sparks, Nv 89431***

The theme of the celebration this year was "Freedom and Justice for Change." And this was the theme of the keynote speaker in 2017, Imam Abdul Barghouthi.

Imam Abdul Barghouthi immigrated to the US from Palestine in 1978 seeking freedom and education. He has been a volunteer Imam at the Northern Nevada Muslim Community Center since 2000, and since 2001 has been an active member of the Nevada Clergy Association. At the center of his work is the effort to close the gaps and create an environment of dialogue and understanding between the various cultures and religious group in the northern Nevada community. An advocate for equality justice and peace for all, he works to empower those who seek hope and change, and help those who seek knowledge about Islam and Muslims.

Imam Barghouthi has lectured and spoken in many venues and appeared on TV and Radio numerous times over the last 16 years.

Imam Barghouthi has raised four children, two girls and two boys. One of his boys is an army veteran and the father of two grandchildren.

[View or download a copy of the program.](#)

2017 MLK JR CELEBRATION PHOTO GALLERY



WELCOME by Reverend Larry J. Holloway, Bethel AME Church



INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS by Mary Cooper,
Northern Nevada Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
Committee



INVOCATION by Rajan Zed, President, Universal
Society of Hinduism



MUSICAL SELECTION by Bethel AME Choir



"POLICING AND THE COMMUNITY" by Commander Oliver Miller, Reno Police Department



“UNDERSTANDING THE SACREDNESS OF ALL” by Reverend
Neil Anderson, Sr. Minister Unitarian-Universalist
Fellowship of Northern Nevada



KEYNOTE ADDRESS: "FREEDOM & JUSTICE FOR CHANGE" by Imam Abdul Barghouthi, Northern Nevada Muslim Community



REVEREND ONIE COOPER HUMANITARIAN AWARD presented by Mary Cooper, Martin Luther King, Jr.. Holiday Committee to recipient Right Reverend Gene Savoy J



MUSICAL PRESENTATION: "UNDER ONE SKY" Jim Eaglesmith, Patricia Gallimore, vocal, and Bethel AME Church Choir performing



MUSICAL PRESENTATION: "UNDER ONE SKY" Rev. Gary Buchanan, piano, and Dallas Smith, horn, performing



CLOSING REMARKS by Right Reverend Gene Savoy Jr,
Bishop, International Community of Christ,
President, Nevada Clergy AssociationChairman,
Northern Nevada Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
Committee



BENEDICTION by Reverend Mother Rebecca Willis,
International Community of Christ

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