

The Thirty-Eighth Annual
Nevada Interfaith Thanksgiving Service
Thankful for the Peacemakers
A Worship Service of Prayer and Music
From A Variety of Faith Traditions
Sponsored by the Nevada Interfaith Association



We have come together as God's children to enrich our lives through an interfaith experience. During the service individuals from various faiths will express praise and thanks according to their faith traditions. Portions of this service have also been selected to represent those elements of worship that are shared by all our traditions.

Thursday, November 16, 2023, 7:00 PM
Trinity Episcopal Cathedral
Reno, Nevada

Musical Prelude

Arioso (Thanks Be To God) by G.F. Handel
Howard Bennett, Organist

GREETING

Fr. Chuck Durante, NIA President
Rector, St. Thomas Aquinas Cathedral, Reno

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

Congregation to Stand & Sing

“This Is My Song”

text by Lloyd Stone, Music by Jean Sibelius

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**This is my song, O God of all the nations
A song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
Here are my hopes, my dreams my holy shrine;
But other hearts in other lands are beating
With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.**

**My country’s skies are bluer than the ocean,
And sunlight beams on clover leaf and pine;
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
And skies are everywhere as blue as mine.
O hear my song, thou God of all the nations,
A song of peace for their land and for mine.**

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

**Very Rev. Stephen Brehe, M.A., M.Div., D.Min
Interim Dean and Rector
Trinity Episcopal Cathedral**

WHY INTERFAITH? Some history

**Most Rev. Gene Savoy
International Community of Christ**

BUDDHIST REFLECTION

Rev. Shelley and Matthew Fisher

MUSLIM REFLECTION

**Brother Ferdous Ahmad
Northern Nevada Muslim Center**

JEWISH MUSICAL REFLECTION

BAHA’I REFLECTION

**Bradley Corbin
Baha’i Faith**

Trinity Hand Chimes Choir

METHODIST CHRISTIAN REFLECTION

**Pastor Lee Neish
Sparks United Methodist Church**

MORMON CHRISTIAN REFLECTION

**Elder Chadd Watson
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints**

MUSICAL REFLECTION

**“A Grateful Heart” by Randall Sensmeier
“Celebration Song” by G.F. Handel, arr. By
Patrick Liebergen**

St. Thomas Aquinas Cathedral Choir
Bryan Eber, organist/director

THANKFUL FOR PEACEMAKERS

Fr. Chuck Durante
Rector, St. Thomas Aquinas Cathedral

BENEDICTION

Chaplain Dojin Kim
Veteran's Administration Medical Center

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

Congregation to stand and join in final verse

**Mindy Lillyquist, Angela Knight and Pamela
Kellerstrass, accompanied by Whitney Topham**

“Let There Be Peace On Earth”

words and music by Sy Miller and Jill Jackson
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**Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow,
To take each moment, and live each moment, in peace eternally,
Let there be peace on Earth and let it begin with me.**

POSTLUDE

“Praise and Thanksgiving” by Sigfrid Karg-Elert/John Scriveyner
Howard Bennett, Organist

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Father Chuck Durante
Pat Meidell & Pamela Kellerstrass
Rev. Dr. Kate Lambertson
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Bradley Corbin, DC
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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
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Reno Buddhist Center
Universal Society of Hinduism
Northern Nevada Muslim Center
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Baha'i Faith
Reno Veteran's Administration Medical Center
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pray for peace

