

Spring Interfaith Council Monthly Newsletter

August 2026

SIC News

- Preparations for our annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service have begun. All who want to help in planning this event, please join us August 17 at 10:30 am at St. Ignatius of Loyola Catholic Church in The Christus Center. We will choose a theme and brainstorm the program. Please be a part of planning this great event!
- Check out our [NEW WEBSITE!](#) Read our origin story, view a calendar of events and photo gallery, plus so much more! Email us to share your events at spring.interfaithcouncil@gmail.com

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SIC Chair

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NOW RECRUITING COHORT 2

**Healthy Body. Healthy Mind.
Healthy Faith Community.**

Leadership Cohort

Now Accepting Applications
until Friday, August 28



Every faith community can be a place where health grows. Bring a small team, learn alongside other Houston congregations, and create a complete plan for the wellbeing of your members and neighbors, with the right partners to bring your vision to life.

All faith traditions are welcome.

Curious? Join a free webinar

All sessions on Zoom. Register on the website.

• Saturday, July 18	9:00 to 10:00 am CDT	Spanish
• Saturday, July 18	10:00 to 11:00 am CDT	English
• Wednesday, July 22	6:00 to 7:00 pm CDT	Spanish
• Saturday, August 1	9:00 to 10:00 am CDT	Spanish
• Saturday, August 1	10:00 to 11:00 am CDT	English

Apply Now

Applications close Friday, August 28 at Midnight

Click here for more information.
spiritualityandhealth.org/hbhmhc



Scan to visit and apply

ISH Institute for Spirituality and Health

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Institute for Spirituality and Health

Introducing Cohort 2 of ISH - Congregations of all traditions are welcome. Join the free info sessions on Zoom in English or Spanish to learn more. Applications close Friday, August 28. Everything, including the application, is at spiritualityandhealth.org/hbhmhc



Women's Voices

Women's Voices is an interfaith group of women that meets once a month for discussion based on a book they are reading. The next gathering is on Thursday, August 6 in the Oasis Room at the Northwoods Presbyterian Church (3320 Cypress Creek Pkwy, Houston, TX 77068). They will meet from 12:30 - 2:30pm discussing chapters 5 and 6 and the Afterword of the book, "Eat Your Ice Cream: Six Simple Rules for a Long and Healthy Life" by Ezekiel Emanuel. If you'd like to know more, please contact [Nancy Agafitei](#).



Community Conversations

The Archdiocese of Galveston Houston invites you to a monthly online community conversation about race, faith, and finding our way forward in love. Each Open Wide Our Hearts meeting includes a presentation on a relevant topic. After the presentation, a small group discussion follows. The next Community Conversation will be August 19 at 10 am via zoom: The Margin as the Center: Angela House and the Option for the Vulnerable. Two volunteers from [Angela House](#) transitional housing program will share insights from their work with women previously incarcerated. [Click here to register](#)

Hosanna Lutheran - Community Outreach Fair

The community is invited to enjoy the day gathering resources and services for the whole family. Interested in being a vendor? Send an email to dqalls@heartsofrescue.org

Save The Date for these Events in the Fall



IM Houston

Faith in Dialogue: An Interfaith Dialogue Dinner

Join IM Houston for an evening of meaningful conversation, shared experiences, and community connection.

Faith in Dialogue brings together people of diverse faith traditions to build understanding, foster relationships, and explore how we can work together for the common good.

Through three guided movements – **Belief, Story, and Service** – participants will explore beliefs that shape our faiths, share personal experiences, and discuss ways to collaborate on shared social concerns.

Thursday, September 10th, 2026
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
IM Houston's Great Hall
3303 Main Street
Houston, Texas 77002

For tickets or sponsorships, please visit imgb.org/dialogue-series-2026



IM Houston

If you enjoy dialogue meals, here's another opportunity hosted by IM Houston on September 10 at 6pm. Click the link for more details.

[IM Dialogue Dinner](http://imgb.org/dialogue-series-2026)



NATIONAL DAY OF Service
25th Anniversary

HOUSTON NATIONAL CEMETERY

SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2026
8:30-11:30 AM
REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY 9:30 AM

Join us to honor our heroes, through reflection, service and unity

Register here:
bit.ly/911DayHouston



AMERICA 250
CAROLINA
PTSD FOUNDATION OF AMERICA
VOLUNTEER NATION
DON
DEPARTMENT OF NEW ROADS

9/11 Day of Service

It's the 25th anniversary of 9/11 and 250 years of the American Experiment. All ages are invited to attend a remembrance ceremony followed by service in the Houston National Cemetery September 12th. Learn more and volunteer [HERE](http://bit.ly/911DayHouston)



SPRING INTERFAITH COUNCIL
INVITES THE COMMUNITY TO

International Day of Peace Taize & Meditation Prayer Service

27 SEPTEMBER | 4 PM
HOLY COMFORTER EPISCOPAL CHURCH
2322 SPRING CYPRESS ROAD
SPRING, TX 77388

INVEST IN PEACE:
FOR EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE, EVERY DAY

Day of Peace Event

International Day of Peace was established in 1981 by the United Nations General Assembly. Peace is not just a vision; it's a call to action that each of us can answer by promoting understanding, respect, and justice in our daily lives. SIC is inviting all to join in praying for peace, enjoying contemplative music, sacred readings, & meditations which represent the diverse faith traditions of our Spring community. For more information, please email Linda Barry at lgblan281@gmail.com



Bridges

Competing in Goodness returns this October and Bridges is gathering interest from congregations who would like to participate! Through a friendly competition every year, faith centers compete against one another to collect non-perishable items for their neighbors. The event's conclusion celebrates neighborly achievement at a unifying potluck event with participating congregations. [CLICK HERE FOR MORE DETAILS](#)



Festival of Faiths

The inaugural Festival of Faiths in Houston will be held October 4 at the Ismaili Center. Gather to share the best of our faith traditions through workshops, performing arts, booths and more. What a beautiful opportunity to bring together Houston's diverse communities and learn about other faiths and cultures, fostering understanding, equity, and connection.

Resources

Medical Care	Masjid Al Salam Mosque Northwest Assistance Ministries	ahsanhuq@sbcglobal.net 281-583-5600
Rehousing and Rental Assistance	Northwest Assistance Ministries	Online Application namonline.org/basic-needs
Food, Clothing, Showers, etc for Unhoused	Hope Center Houston	821 Peakwood Houston, TX 77090 832-965-5511 M-F 9am-3pm
Transportation, Clothing	Northwest Assistance Ministries	281-885-4555
Food pantry, Counseling, Health Services, After School Clubs, Literacy, Educational Support	Northwest Assistance Ministries Bridging for Tomorrow	281-885-4555 www.bridgingfortomorrow.org ZIP Codes: 77066 & 77086
Employment Counseling & Training	Northwest Assistance Ministries	281-885-4555
Job Training	Deseret Industries	8625 FM 1960 Houston, TX 346-214-7453
Food	Kinsmen Lutheran Church Bridging for Tomorrow Houston Food Bank	1st Saturday 8-11 AM 5359 W Richey Rd Houston, TX 77066
Meals on Wheels	Northwest Assistance Ministries	281-885-4622
Showers every Friday 10-2	Northwest Assistance Ministries	http://www.movingwaters-houston.org/showers
Food Pantry	Abundant Harvest Kitchen	24803 Oakhurst Dr Spring, TX 77386 Text: 781-474-3673 Make appointment Mondays: https://harvestkitchen.org/food-pantry/

Thank you for reading!

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