

Spring Interfaith Council Monthly Newsletter

October 2026

SIC News

- The annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service flyer is available for distribution. Please share with your faith community, neighbors, family, and friends. Details are coming together for our theme: Many Paths, A Common Journey of Gratitude. To join us in the planning, [please email us](#). Flyer on page 4.
- The first annual Festival of Faiths in Houston is on October 4. Details on page 2. SIC will be presenting at the Dialogue Tables. Come see us!
- Our quarterly meeting will take place on Monday, October 5 at 10am at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (16535 Kleinwood Drive, Spring, TX 77379). Here's the [AGENDA](#) for the meeting and [MINUTES](#) for your review.

Diane Hunt
SIC Chair

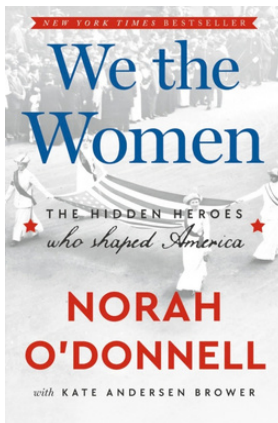
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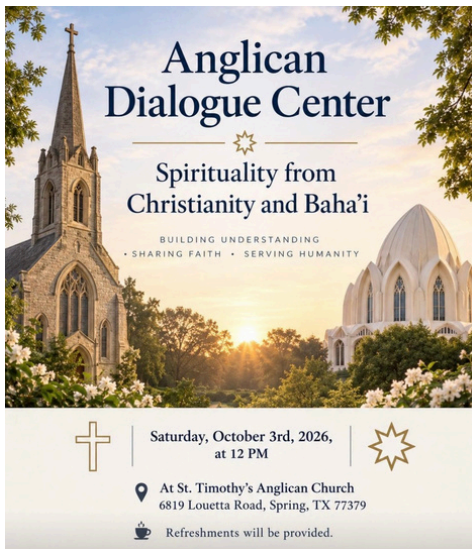
Women's Voices is an interfaith group of women that meets monthly for discussion based on a book they are reading. The next gathering is on Thursday, October 1 in the Oasis Room at [Northwoods Presbyterian Church](#). They will meet from 12:30 - 2:30pm discussing chapters 8-15 of "We the Women: Hidden Heroes who Shaped America" by Norah O'Donnell. If you'd like to know more about this group, 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. Small group discussions follow. The next Community Conversation will be October 21 at 10am about Nicholas Black Elk - Chief, Catechist, and Oglala Holy Man. Presenter: Deacon Bill White. [Click here to register](#)

Interfaith Events



Dialogue

The community is invited to St. Timothy's Anglican Church on October 3rd at noon for this event.



Festival of Faiths

The inaugural Festival of Faiths in Houston will be held October 4th from noon-5pm at the Ismaili Center. This free event will offer inspiring music, captivating dance, visual arts, storytelling, thought-provoking panels, and engaging presentations. The festival creates space for people of different faiths and backgrounds to learn from one another, celebrate our diversity, and strengthen the bonds that connect us as a community. Register [HERE](https://ismailicenter.org)



Masjid AlSalam

The community is welcome to an interfaith open house hosted at Masjid AlSalam, Champions Islamic Center on October 10th from 11:30am-2:30pm [RSVP Here](https://www.alsalammasjid.org)



Friends Peace Teams

In this 2-hour participatory, online program, experience the history of the colonization of Turtle Island, the land that is now known as the United States, as told through the words of Indigenous and European/American leaders, and Western historians. Engage with this history through experiential exercises and small group discussions. Sunday, October 24th from 3-5pm [REGISTER HERE](https://www.friendspeaceteams.org).

NEW! Scriptural Reasoning Series

Scriptural Reasoning Series

*Encounter sacred words from different traditions
and discover new perspectives.*

Topic: **Understanding love
through different faiths**

Date: **October 23**

Time: **6:00–8:00 PM**

Location: **12841 Jones Road,
Houston, TX**

Refreshments will be served.

Please
RSVP

DIALOGUE INSTITUTE
HOUSTON NORTH

*Connecting
Hearts,
Inspiring
Minds*

A new series focused on various faith traditions' scriptures begins this month! Scripture reading, reflection, and thoughtful conversation will occur as we explore selected passages from Muslim, Christian, Jewish, and Hindu traditions, creating an opportunity to listen, reflect, and share insights from these different spiritual traditions. Refreshments will be served.

This gathering will be held again in approximately two months, offering an ongoing opportunity for reflection and dialogue.

Please [RVSP here](#).

Thank you Dialogue Institute Houston North!

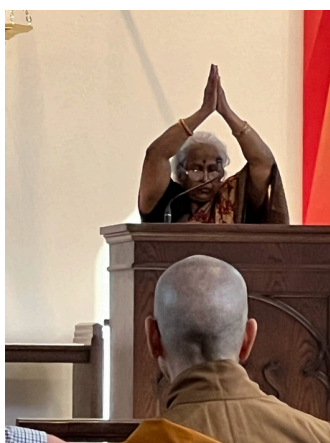
Interfaith Thanksgiving Service:
Many Paths, A Common Journey of Gratitude



Join us for our annual interfaith Thanksgiving Service on November 19th beginning 6:30pm at St. Ignatius of Loyola Catholic Church where we will address the theme: "Many Paths, A Common Journey of Gratitude." We will also hear from Northwest Assistance Ministries about their wonderful community resources and how you can donate to their organization. Come enjoy prayers, readings, music, a dance performance, and so much more from our diverse faith community. We will also have time to gather and enjoy refreshments as we learn about different faiths, community resources, and future interfaith opportunities.

If you would like to participate in the interfaith choir, please fill out this FORM. Share the Flyer and Choir Form with everyone because all ages are invited to this special event.

Follow-Up: Day of Peace Prayer Service



We are grateful to Holy Comforter Episcopal Church for hosting our annual Day of Peace Prayer Service on September 27. Many people from the community came and lit candles representing their intent to pray for peace. All listened to or sung along with the Taizé music as well as enjoyed prayers and readings from a variety of faith representatives. Moments of silence and meditation occurred periodically throughout the program and all left in quiet contemplation, motivated to spread peace.

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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	<u>WEBSITE</u>
