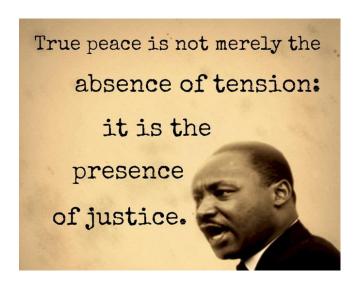


# San Francisco Interfaith Council

Celebrating our diverse faiths & spiritual traditions
Bringing people together to build understanding
Serving our community

Interfaith Prayer Service Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration

# "True Peace and Equal Justice For All"



# Yerba Buena Gardens Esplanade Monday, January 16, 2023

Sponsored by the San Francisco Interfaith Council

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Parade Coordinator: Brother G.L. Hodge, Past Chair, San Francisco Interfaith Council Program Coordinator: Rev. Dr. Leroy E. Adams, Jr., Pastor, Providence Baptist Church and Board Member, San Francisco Interfaith Council

#### **Processional Song "The Battle Hymn of the Republic"** (Julia Ward Howe)

Mine eyes have seen the glory
Of the coming of the Lord;
He is trampling out the vintage
Where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning
Of His terrible swift sword;
His truth is marching on.

Chorus

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

I have seen Him in the watchfires Of a hundred circling camps They have builded Him an altar In the evening dews and damps; I can read His righteous sentence By the dim and flaring lamps; His day is marching on.

Chorus

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on. He has sounded forth the trumpet That shall never call retreat; He is sifting out the hearts of men Before His judgement seat; Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer Him; Be jubilant, my feet; Our God is marching on.

Chorus

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea, With a glory in His bosom That transfigures you and me; As He died to make men holy, Let us die to make men free; While God is marching on.

Chorus

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

#### **Introduction of Ceremony**

Aaron Grizzell, Executive Director Northern California Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Foundation

#### Welcome

Rev. Dr. Leroy E. Adams, Jr., Pastor, Providence Baptist Church of San Francisco and Board Member, San Francisco Interfaith Council

#### **Invocation**

Dr. James McCray, Executive Director Tabernacle Community Development Corporation

### **Introduction of Interfaith Youth Participants**

Brother G.L. Hodge, Past Chair, San Francisco Interfaith Council Mattie Scott, Founder and Executive Director, Healing 4 Our Families

### **Musical Selection "Lift Every Voice and Sing"** (James Weldon Johnson and J. Rosamond Johnson)

Lift every voice and sing Till earth and heaven ring

Ring with the harmonies of Liberty

Let our rejoicing rise High as the listening skies

Let it resound loud as the rolling sea

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has

taught us

Sing a song full of the hope that the present has

brought us

Facing the rising sun of our new day begun

Let us march on till victory is won

Stony the road we trod Bitter the chastening rod

Felt in the days when hope unborn had died

Yet with a steady beat Have not our weary feet

Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?

We have come over a way that with tears has been

watered

We have come, treading our path through the blood

of the slaughtered

Out from the gloomy past Till now we stand at last

Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast

God of our weary years God of our silent tears

Thou who has brought us thus far on the way
Thou who has by Thy might Led us into the light

Keep us forever in the path, we pray

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where

we met Thee

Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we

forget Thee

Shadowed beneath Thy hand

May we forever stand

True to our God

True to our native land

Our native land

### **Reflection on the Theme from Interfaith Youth Participants**

Muslim

Unitarian Universalist

*Iewish* 

Buddhist

Christian

## **Poetry Recitation**

Marvin K. White, Minister of Celebration, GLIDE

#### **Closing Remarks**

Aaron Grizzell, Executive Director

Northern California Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Foundation

#### **Musical Selection "We Shall Overcome"** (Charles Albert Tindley)

We shall overcome; We shall overcome some day! Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe, We shall overcome some day!

We'll walk hand in hand; We'll walk hand in hand; We'll walk hand in hand some day! Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe, We'll walk hand in hand some day!

We shall all be free; We shall all be free; We shall all be free some day! Deep in my heart, I do believe, We shall all be free some day!

We are not alone; We are not alone; We are not alone some day! Deep in my heart, I do believe, We are not alone some day!

We shall overcome; We shall overcome some day! Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe, We shall overcome some day!

#### Benediction

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Marc Handley Andrus, Bishop Episcopal Diocese of California

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