

*22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Prayer Breakfast*

## **The San Francisco Interfaith Council**

Celebrating 30 Years  
of Interfaith Collaboration in San Francisco

### **Program**



Tuesday, November 26, 2019  
7:00 am – 9:00 am  
*Hotel Kabuki, San Francisco*

# Program

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## **Gathering Hymn "Morning Has Broken"**

Congregational Singing (see insert)

Led by Calvary Presbyterian Minister of Spiritual Care *Rev. Victor Floyd*

## **Welcome and Reading of the SFIC Interfaith Statement**

*Kaushik Roy*

Chairman of the Board of the San Francisco Interfaith Council  
Executive Director, The Shanti Project

*"This is an interfaith community. Whatever our individual belief, it can be freely expressed here with no apologies. If we are invited to offer a prayer in this setting, it should be offered according to the tradition with which we identify. If we are invited to speak on a subject from the perspective of our tradition, we are free to do so without fear of offending those who come from another tradition. We come together as people of faith to learn from each other that we might better understand the multiplicity of faith traditions in our city and in our world."*

## **Ohlone Indian Prayer in the Four Directions**

*Andrew Galvan*

Curator of Old Mission Dolores

## **Buddhist In Kin Bell and Muslim Prayer**

*Rev. Elaine Donlin*

Minister's Assistant, Buddhist Church of San Francisco

*Muhammad Alabi*

Islamic Society of San Francisco

## **Jewish Blessing of the Challah Bread**

Led by *P.J. Cherrin*

Congregant of Mission Minyan

## **Christian Blessing of the Meal**

*The Rev. Canon Dr. Ellen Clark-King*

Vice Dean, Grace Cathedral

*Rev. Elizabeth Ekdale*

Lead Pastor, St. Mark's Lutheran Church

*~ Breakfast is served at your table ~*

## **Recognition of Special Guests and Introduction of Mayor London Breed**

*Kaushik Roy, SFIC Chair*

## **Mayor's Remarks**

*The Honorable London Breed*

Mayor of the City and County of San Francisco

**Musical Selection "Turn, Turn, Turn"**

Congregational Singing (see insert)

Led by Calvary Presbyterian Minister of Spiritual Care *Rev. Victor Floyd*

**Executive Director's Remarks and Introduction of Speaker Nancy Pelosi**

*Michael G. Pappas, M.Div.*

Executive Director of the San Francisco Interfaith Council

**Remarks**

*The Honorable Nancy Pelosi*

Speaker of the United States House of Representatives

**Prayers for the City**

*Sr. Sukanya Belsare, Brahma Kumaris Meditation Center*

*Rev. Tova Green, San Francisco Zen Center*

*Paige Hosking, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints*

*Abby Michelson Porth, Jewish Community Relations Council*

*Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco*

*Dr. Mary Wardell-Ghirarduzzi, University of San Francisco*

**"Prayer of St. Francis"**

Read by all

Led by *Rev. Kenneth Westray*

Pastor, St. Vincent de Paul Parish

Assisted by *Markensy Jacques*, Pastoral Associate

St. Benedict Parish for the Deaf and Hearing Impaired and

*Neva Turoff*, Sign Interpreter

*"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life."*

**Lifetime Achievement Award**

Presented to SFIC Founder and Past Chair *Rita R. Semel*

Presented by SFIC Chair *Kaushik Roy* and Executive Director *Michael Pappas*

Assisted by SF Recreation and Parks Department General Manager *Phil Ginsburg*

**Closing Remarks**

*Kaushik Roy*

Chairman of the Board of the San Francisco Interfaith Council

**Benediction**

*Rev. Dr. Amos C. Brown*

Pastor of the historic Third Baptist Church

**Final Musical Selection "Let There Be Peace on Earth"**

Congregational Singing (see insert)

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diverse faiths and  
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to build understanding  
and serve our  
community**