Unified Interfaith Community Coalition of Beaufort

Statement of Purpose:

To foster inter-religious inter-racial dialogue, understanding, and cooperation in the Beaufort area among those inspired by religious commitment; to encourage all to move beyond prejudice and bias, be it historical, cultural, social or theological; to model a spirit of cooperation with all people in promoting peace, justice, harmony, human rights and respect for all of creation.



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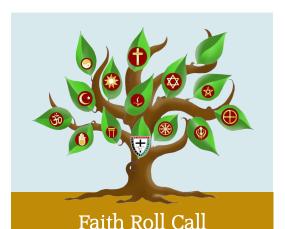
Celebrating Our First Annual

Interfaith Intercultural New Years

Blessing Service

January 8th, 2017 4:00–6:00 PM

Hosted by First Presbyterian of Beaufort, SC



Grace Chapel AME

- First Presbyterian
- St. Marks Episcopal
- United Church
- Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Beaufort
- City of Beaufort
- Penn Center
- Sea Island Presbyterian
- Port Royal United Methodist
- Waters Edge United Methodist
- Brick Baptist
- Baptist Church of Beaufort
- 4 Community Outreach
- St. John's Lutheran Church
- ▼ Bahá'í Faith
- Beth Israel Congregation
- Nation of Islam

Flow of the Evening

Prelude Universal Call To Celebrate: Conch Shell, Shofar, Didgeridoo



A Joyous Noise

Welcome and Occasion

Rev. Jeannine R. Smalls, *Grace Chapel AME*

Passing of the Peace

Pastor Jack, UNITED Church

Community Song We Let It Be

Led by UNITED Praise "UP"

Blessings For the New Year

- ♥ Jewish Blessing ~ TZiPi, The Vavnik Rebbe
- **▼ Native American Blessing** ~ Tim Dodds
- Bahá'í Blessing ~ Victoria Smalls, Bahá'í Faith

Music There Is Only Love "UP"

- ▼ Islamic Blessing ~ Student Minister Prince Muhammad, Beaufort & Savannah Nation of Islam
- ▼ Christian Blessing ~ Rev. Dr. Jim Wooten, The Baptist Church of Beaufort
- ♥ Unitarian Universal Blessing ~ Rev. Lori Hlaban, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Beaufort

Praise Dance

Christian Gibson, Grace Chapel AME

The Blessing of the Wall

Please feel free to write your Blessing for the City of Beaufort for 2017 on the Blessing Wall. These prayers and good wishes will be presented to the Mayor of the City of Beaufort.



Blessing of the Bread

This food is a gift of the earth, the sky, numerous living beings, and much hard and loving work. May we eat with mindfulness and gratitude so as to be worthy to receive this food. May we recognize and transform unwholesome thinking, especially our greed and learn to eat with moderation. May we keep our compassion alive by eating in such a way that heals and preserves our precious planet. We accept this food so that we may nurture and build our community, and nourish our ideal of serving all living beings.



Thich Nhat Hanh

Closing Remarks

Rev. Jeannine R. Smalls, *Grace Chapel AME* Billy Keyserling, Mayor, *City of Beaufort*

Closing Prayer

Rev. Rebecca Albright, First Presbyterian