

Interfaith Prayer Service & Centennial Celebration of Faith Scheduled for November 22nd

Mayor Edward A. Bettencourt, Jr. and the Peabody Clergy and Ministerial Association (PCMA) will host an Interfaith Thanksgiving Prayer Service and Centennial Celebration of Faith Communities on Tuesday evening, November 22, 2016.

The evening will begin at 7:00pm with the Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at St. John the Baptist Church on Church Street in Peabody. The service is an annual tradition in Peabody which dates back many decades. Religious leaders of all different faiths participate in the service to encourage their congregants to mark the Thanksgiving holiday with a time of prayer.

“Today we are blessed to experience a time in our country's history when members of diverse faith congregations are open to gathering with others in ways that honor each particular tradition,” said Reverend John MacInnis of St. John the Baptist Church, a member of the PCMA. “This gives a valuable witness to the world that faith is not what motivates people to attack or do violence to others. Rather, true faith motivates us and expresses our shared hope for peace and justice.”

Following the service, congregants are welcome to City Hall's Wiggin Auditorium for a collation of food and Centennial Celebration of Peabody's Faith Communities. Congregations are invited to create table top displays of their faith community and its history for display during the collation.

“Any celebration of Peabody's centennial birthday would be incomplete without a celebration of our city's various faith communities,” said Mayor Edward A. Bettencourt, Jr. “We look forward to honoring each congregation for its unique contribution to the history of our city and its people.”

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