

*A Gathering
in the Garden Room
at Great Meeting, Leicester*

on Sunday 18th February 2007 at 11am

*A different way of being together for an hour
to celebrate the value of each other and the world*

Today's theme is 'Peace'

*Organised and led by the Engagement group
(a group which meets monthly to explore ways
of deepening the spiritual aspect of our lives)*



Music: 'Wondrous Love'
(James Christopher 1840 from 'The Sacred Harp')

Welcome and introduction

Lighting the chalice candle

Song: 'Wondrous Love'
(from 'I'll Have My Chants This Time A Round' by Khryso - UU)

Short talk on Peace

*Spirit of Life, Source of our being,
Where Goodness and Creative Loving Kindness dwell,
Help us to create a better world,
Where all creatures have food, shelter and warmth,
But remembering our frailties as humans,
So forgiving others as we forgive ourselves,
Letting our conscience and reason
Lead us into paths of goodness and right conduct,
Where our fellowship of love and service to humanity
Will lighten the darkness of the world
In peace, forever and ever. So Be It.*

Song: "Child of Hiroshima"
(Translation of poem by Nazim Hikmet - Trad Melody)

Short Guided Meditation: 'Re-imagining the World'
followed by silent reflection

Lighting Candles for our Joys and Concerns

Song: 'Shalom Havayreem'
(Jewish & Arabic - Trad melody)

*Shalom Havayreem, Shalom Havayreem, Shalom, Shalom,
Shalom Havayreem, Shalom Havayreem, Shalom, Shalom,
Salaam Alaikum, Salaam Alaikum, Salaam, Salaam,
Salaam Alaikum, Salaam Alaikum, Salaam, Salaam.*

'Peace Be With You'

Universal Peace Dance:

*Let Peace encircle all the World,
Let all on Earth join hand in hand,
A living bond of fellowship,
A voice of Love in ev'ry land.*

A time to share readings and thoughts on Peace, including:

'A Peace Poem'
A reading from Helen Keller
'G'Kar's speech' from 'Babylon 5'

Music: 'Haunts of Ancient peace' - Van Morrison

Notices

*Song: 'Song Of Peace'
(Music: Sibelius - 'Finlandia')*

*This is my song, I offer to the wind,
A song of peace, I scatter far and wide,
This is my song, I whisper to the moon,
My silver mantra hails a golden dawn,
Oh hear my song, you rivers rushing by,
My song of peace, of sweetest melody.*

*This is my song, I offer to the earth,
A seed of hope, which grows on roughest paths,
This is my song, I give it to the sun,
A song to sing, when webs of life are spun,
O hear my song, from valleys to the sky,
My song of peace is for eternity*

Benediction and Universal Prayer for Peace

Music

