

# *A Gathering*

*for Leicester Interfaith Fellowship  
at the Friends Meeting House,  
Queens Road, Leicester*

*on Monday 19th November 2007 at 7.30 pm*

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

*Today's theme is 'Peace'*

*Organised by members of Leicester Unitarian Fellowship*



*Music: 'Suni-ai Celebration' by Snatam Kaur  
(Sikh - Japji 8 from Guru Grant Sahib)*

*Welcome and introduction*

*Lighting the chalice candle & opening words*

*Song: 'Compassion'  
(Dalai Lama / Eng. Trad.)*

*Compassion needs to permeate,  
our common life in every way,  
Each to the other must relate,  
to build a world of love today.*

*Our forms and customs will not meet,  
our spirits' needs we deeply feel,  
Unless our hearts with quickened beat,  
match our intentions to our zeal.*

*When thoughts are sweet & words are kind,  
compassionate our every deed,  
With selfishness put from the mind,  
by gratitude our life is freed.*

*If we in love and thanks unite,  
debate will cause no harmful strife,  
For with compassion in our sight,  
then sharing will enrich our life.*

*Short talk: 'Peace'*

*Music: 'Gyatri Mantra' by Vyaas Houston & Shelley Snow*

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

*Floating Petals on Water*

*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'*

*Walking Meditation Dance: 'Let Peace...'*

*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 reading from Helen Keller, and 'G'Kar's speech' from 'Babylon 5')*

*Notices*

*Song: 'Song Of Peace'  
(Anon & Chris Morley / 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 sing to calm the spirit,  
And universal healing of the heart,  
This is my song, A beacon in the darkness,  
A ray of light, to show a peaceful path,  
O hear my song, 'Cross boundaries and borders,  
My song of peace, Embracing unity.*

*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: 'Wondrous Love'*

*(James Christopher 1840 from 'The Sacred Harp')*



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