

Sonoma Valley Interfaith Ministerial Association

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Wednesday, December 9, 2020, 12pm - 1pm

Zoom Meeting

Present: Steve Finley, Peadar Dalton, Donna Thomas, Jan Reynolds, Marie Wilson Johnson, and Nick Dalton.

Welcome and Call to Order - Rabbi Steve opens with a blessing.

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service - all good reviews! An example of going with the times for a successful event. Thank you to Lorna Carter from the Methodist Church and Ron Moser from St. Andrew for their technical support in making the video. Looking forward to an in-person service next year.

Check in - everyone reports they are well and hanging on.

- Jan will be leaving St. Andrew as the new Pastor, Nicole Trotter, arrives at the end of January. We hope to welcome her at our February meeting. We wish Jan all the best in Portland and hope to hear from her from time to time.
- Nick is in Kentucky but still in the mix at the Hanna Institute and Hanna Boys Center with their programming and community involvement.
- Peadar is doing some graveside funeral services and volunteering at St. Leo's food distributions on Tuesdays.
- Donna is doing weekly check-ins and finding ways to get joy from helping others. They are offering courses online for improving communications skills and for strengthening self confidence.
- Marie reports that the Methodist Church will begin live services this Sunday as opposed to the pre-recorded ones. Please offer a prayer for the health of her step-father and her husband and a prayer for Pastor Marie herself. She notes that like all of us, juggling pastoral care, self care, family and community can be difficult. Be kind to yourself.
- Rabbi Steve is preparing for the first night of Hanukkah this Thursday. There will be no community Menorah lighting this year but a small Zoom service. Like everyone else, the rabbi and Shir Shalom are continually working on ways to keep the members engaged and supported while staying afloat. A reminder that helping others can be uplifting for your own spirit. We have many non-profits helping the community and volunteer opportunities available if you are interested.

Other information -

- Christmas Hope 2020 has been cancelled due to the rising Covid situation and uncertainty of a shut down.
- If you have any Christmas services or other events you would like to list on our website please send the details to Tricia at tricia.shirshalom@gmail.com.
- We are collecting annual dues for our group. Please send what you can (\$5-\$25) to help support costs throughout the year for advertising, events and the website. A check can be made to SVMA, and mailed to Rabbi Steve, 252 W. Spain St., Sonoma CA 95476
- Please continue to share our website. We have information on community and county resources for those in need as well as for those looking to volunteer. <https://www.sonomavalleyinterfaithma.org/news-events>

Happy Holiday Season to you all! Our next meeting will be Wednesday, January 27th at noon.

Meeting adjourned 12:50pm

KSVY Radio Schedule – Tuesdays, 9 am – 9:30 am

The call in number is 933-9133

Date	Member	Phone #
Dec. 15	Jim Thomas	707-933-6154
Dec. 22	Peadar Dalton	707-939-7613
Dec. 29	Manette Fairmont	707-529-9562
Jan. 5	Steve Finley	818-207-1757
Jan. 12	Marie Wilson-Johnson	707-996-2151
Jan. 19	Donna Thomas	707-939-6774
Jan. 26	St. Andrew Rep.	TBD
Feb. 2	Dave Gould	209-485-3027
Feb. 9	Scott Pryor	831-747-0139