WORLD AIDS DAY
REMEMBRANCE SERVICE
World AIDS Day
Service of Remembering and Reminding
November 30, 2016 • 7:15 p.m.

Prelude

Be Thou My Vision
traditional Irish melody; arr. Ron and Linda Springer
Sean Baugh, piano; David Moldenhauer, organ

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Neil G. Cazares-Thomas
Rev. Erin Wyma

**Exchange of Peace

**Opening Prayer

One:  God of all compassion, comfort your sons and daughters who live with AIDS. Spread over us all your quilt of mercy, love and peace.

All:  Open our eyes to your presence reflected in their faces.
Open our ears to your truth echoing in their hearts.
Give us the strength to weep with the grieving, to walk with the lonely,
to stand with the depressed.

May our love mirror your love for those who live in fear, who live under stress and who suffer rejection.

One:  Mothering, Fathering God, grant rest to those who have died and hope to all who live with HIV.
All:  God of life, help us to find the cure now and help us to build a world in which no one dies alone and where everyone lives accepted, wanted and loved. Amen.

The Maryknoll AIDS Task force

**The people will rise in body or spirit.
**Opening Hymn  
For the Healing of the Nations

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**Invocation

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz
Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Stoker
Senior Pastor, First United Methodist, Dallas

Prayer of Confession

One: God our Creator, we confess that we have not looked upon all whom you have created with the same love and celebration as you have. We have not affirmed all your people as having equal worth and equal dignity. We have stood by as others have been humiliated and cast out;

All: Creator God, have mercy on us.

One: Jesus our Redeemer, in your life on earth you lived the inclusivity you preached. You reached to the margins of society and drew the oppressed and marginalized to you. We confess that we have not lived your inclusivity. Day by day we encounter people whom you have redeemed and walk past without recognizing the dignity and worth you see in them;

All: Redeemer God, have mercy on us.

One: Holy Spirit our Sustainer, you breathe life into all around us. Your breath fills us with life and inspires us to want to praise you. We confess that our places of worship have not been welcoming spaces for all. We have worshiped with those we feel comfortable with and been apathetic about the countless people who have felt barriers to entry, barriers to full membership;

All: Sustainer God, have mercy on us. Amen.

by Rev. J.P. Mokgethi–Heath, Church of Sweden

Words of Assurance
Musical Meditation

Make Me an Instrument
Words attributed to St. Francis of Assisi; Music by Craig Courtney
Members of the Turtle Creek Chorale
Sean Baugh, artistic director

Act of Remembrances

One: Remembering that tears are cleansing as well as painful, remembering that recalling the lives of those we love is sometimes difficult, but renews hope, we now name those who have died.
Let us pray . . .

Names may be offered aloud for those who have died.
After all have been named, a moment of silence will be observed for silent prayers and remembrances.
At the end of the silence, we continue with the Jewish Prayer of Remembrance.

One: We remember all who have lived and died with HIV and AIDS,
those we know and love, and those who are strangers to us.
In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,
All: We remember them.

One: In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring,
All: We remember them.

One: In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of summer,
All: We remember them.

One: In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn,
All: We remember them.

One: In the beginning of the year and when it ends,
All: We remember them.

One: When we are weary and in need of strength,
All: We remember them.

One: When we are lost and sick at heart,
All: We remember them.

One: When we have joys we yearn to share,
All: We remember them.

One: So long as we live, they too shall live, for they are now a part of us,
All: We remember them.

Message

Scott Stout

Presentation of Our Offering

Remedy
Words and Music by Adele Adkins and Ryan Tedder
Erica Granados, soloist; Sean Baugh, piano
The offering this evening will support HIV/AIDS work in Dallas.
Candle Lighting

First Candle
As we are reminded of the HIV epidemic that has devastated so many lives across the world, we know that we must persevere and keep the light on HIV. As we do this, we are also reminded that you are our God. In the midst of crisis, we turn to you and light this candle as a reminder that our Hope is in you.

Second Candle
We light the second candle in remembrance of the millions of people who have died of AIDS-related conditions. We especially remember those who have died in our midst—our fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters, friends, colleagues, employees and neighbors. In many cases we might not even have known the cause of their death.

Third Candle
We light the third candle for the millions of people in our world who are living with HIV. We specifically also light this candle for those of us in this community who are living with HIV, and for their loved ones.

Fourth Candle
We light the fourth candle to keep the light on HIV, especially for those of us who have become weary of the topic, and even more so for those of us who still think that HIV is not the concern of the faith community. Let us continue to live life, and work to bring hope and reconciliation to a world with HIV.

Musical Meditation

No Time
Traditional Camp Meeting Songs; arr. Susan Brumfield
Members of the Turtle Creek Chorale

**Blessing of the Red Ribbons**

One: The Red of our ribbons is Love, a symbol of our passion and tolerance towards those affected.

All: The Red of our ribbons is our Pain from the loss of so many.

One: The Red of our ribbons is our Anger about the lack of a cure, the disparity of treatments, and the ignorance that still persists.

All: The Red of our ribbons is a Warning to the world that we will never give up Hope and never stop fighting.

One: We pray that your love will unite us into a community of grace and discovery. Cleanse from us anything that would sap our strength for togetherness. Free us from negative imaginations and the barriers that sometimes keep us apart. In this time, refresh in us the dream of a better world and put before us new possibilities for service. Renew in us your compassion so that we may be a people with loving purposes. We come together to be your miracles in a troubled world.

All: Encircle us, O God. Keep love within, hatred out.
Encircle us, O God. Keep joy within, despair out.
Encircle us, O God. Keep hope within, discouragement out.
Encircle us, O God. Keep peace within, disharmony out.
Encircle us, O God, and may we go forth in peace.
**Closing Song**

*It Is Well with My Soul*

Words by Horatio G. Spafford
Music by Philip P. Bliss

When peace like a river attendeth my way,
And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

Lord shall descend, "Even so" it is well with my soul.

It is well, it is well with my soul.

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Music by Philip P. Bliss
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**Benediction**

Please join us for fellowship following the service.

Panels of the AIDS Memorial Quilt are available for viewing in the Interfaith Peace Chapel.
**Christmas with a Cause**

You can help children and young people have a brighter Christmas when you visit CoH’s own Giving Tree today through December 18. The tree is hung with ornaments, and on the back of each ornament you will find a Christmas wish that you can fulfill. There are three categories of wishes this year – gifts for Maple Lawn school children and their classrooms, the Youth First program at the nearby Resource Center, and ministries of our own Cathedral of Hope.

For Maple Lawn elementary students, you will find things from the Santa lists of under-served children. These are children who would have little Christmas at all without the kindness of others. You’ll also find some special wishes from Maple Lawn teachers for classroom supplies and curriculum materials they long for, but for which there is no budget.

Cathedral of Hope ornaments will include items for well-loved ministries such as BACH or iCare, or specific needs of our children’s program, music and television ministries, and other ways that CoH impacts our community.

**Youth First** is a program of our Resource Center neighbor, which supports LGBTQ youth. They have suggested specific items that their program could use ranging from snack packs and pillows to art supplies and games. Approximately 15,000 LGBTQ youth live in North Texas, and Youth First is one of the few youth programs that addresses the challenges these young people face with family members, peers and fellow students.

**Generosity is fun**, and the Giving Tree is meant to bring smiles to YOUR face as well as to the gift recipients’. *Find an ornament or ornaments* that awaken the Christmas spirit in you! Either buy the item and bring it back to church WITH THE TAG ATTACHED, or write a check. Because many, but not all, of the ornaments are gifts meant as under-the-tree gifts for children, the suggested return deadline is Wednesday, December 14, for some Ornaments.

For more information or to volunteer to help one of the Sundays or Wednesdays during Advent, contact Patsy Bjorling, Director of Development, 214-351-1901, pbjorling@cathedralofohope.com.

**Advent Poinsettia Dedications**

Our beautiful Advent decor is made possible, in part, by members of our congregation who make poinsettia dedications in honor, or in memory, of loved ones. For $20 per dedication, you can honor a special friend or family member. Dedications will appear in the Christmas Eve worship guide.

Please note: Due to space limitations, dedications will be limited to the name of the person being honored and the person or group placing the dedication.

**Deadline to place your order is Sunday, December 18.**

Place your dedications today at www.cathedralofohope.com/poinsettias OR use a Flower envelope located in the Ministry Center and place it in the offering plate or the gold slot, on the right wall, as you exit.

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**The AIDS Memorial Quilt Display**

*TODAY through December 4, Interfaith Peace Chapel*

Sections of the internationally celebrated AIDS Memorial Quilt—the 54½ ton, handmade tapestry that stands as a memorial to more than 96,000 individuals lost to AIDS—will be on view from November 27 through December 4 in the Interfaith Peace Chapel. This free Quilt display is being presented as part of World AIDS Day and will be open to the public on the following days:

- **Wednesday, November 30, 5 to 9 pm**
- **Thursday, December 1, 10 am to 2 pm**
- **Friday, December 2, 10 am to 2 pm and 5 to 9 pm**
- **Saturday, December 3, 10 am to 3 pm**
- **Sunday, December 4, 9 am to 3 pm**

For more information on The NAMES Project and The AIDS Memorial Quilt, please visit aidsquilt.org or call the national headquarters at 404-688-5500. Contact Scott Stout, Events Coordinator, at ssstout@cathedralofohope.com for information about our display.
SUNDAY 12/4
“Expect a Miracle”
9 & 11 am English*, 1 pm Spanish
*Rev. Dr. Neil G. Cazares-Thomas

WEDNESDAY 12/7
The Waiting: A Reflection of Advent
“I Am Present”
7:15 pm PULSE, Rev. Erin Wyma
Reflect: Blue Christmas Service
7:30 pm in the IPC

SUNDAY 12/11
“Giving Up on Perfect”
9 & 11 am English
Rev. Dr. Neil G. Cazares-Thomas
“Our Lady of Guadalupe”
(La Virgin de Guadalupe)
1 pm Worship Service and procession, Spanish

WEDNESDAY 12/14
The Waiting: A Reflection of Advent
“Make Room”
7:15 pm PULSE, Rev. Dr. Neil G. Cazares-Thomas

THURSDAY 12/15
Let’s Go Caroling
meet at Throckmorton & Cedar Springs 8 pm

SATURDAY 12/17
CoH Music Ministry Christmas Concert
7 pm Sanctuary FREE

SUNDAY 12/18
“Scandalous Love”
9 & 11 am English*, 1 pm Spanish
*Rev. Dr. Neil G. Cazares-Thomas
Children’s Christmas Pageant at 11 am service followed by a Family Christmas Party in the IPC

WEDNESDAY 12/21
The Waiting: A Reflection of Advent
“Rejoice”
7:15 pm PULSE, Rev. Dr. Andre Vlok

SATURDAY 12/24
7, 9 and 11 pm Christmas Eve Worship
Rev. Dr. Neil G. Cazares-Thomas

SUNDAY 12/25
Christmas Day Worship
10 am “Jesus’ Wish List”
Rev. Dr. Neil G. Cazares-Thomas

SATURDAY 12/31
New Year’s Eve Worship
5 pm, Sanctuary

SUNDAY 1/1
New Year’s Day Worship
“Time to Shift: Searching”
11 am Sanctuary
Rev. Dr. Neil G. Cazares-Thomas

Shop at Sources of Hope and use our gift wrapping service and receive a Sources $2 gift card.