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December 4, 2024

"FAITH IN THE PUBLIC SQUARE"

PANEL DISCUSSION WITH

*World Council of Churches
General Secretary*

REVEREND PROFESSOR
DR. JERRY PILLAY

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2024
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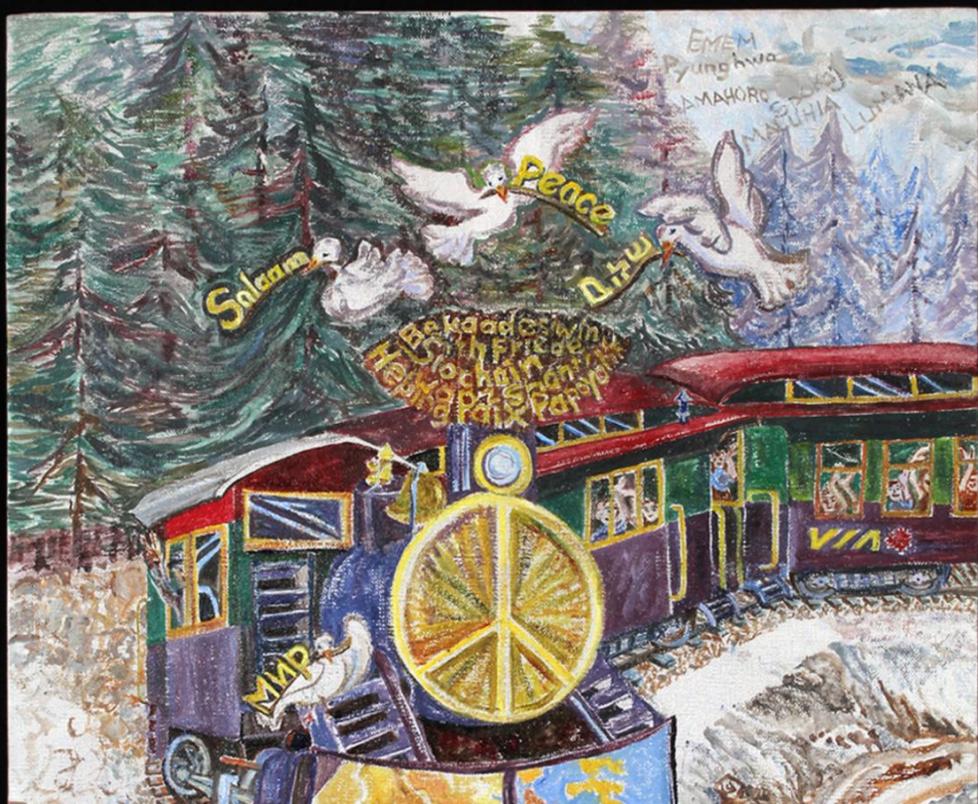
Peacemaking and Canada's international reputation

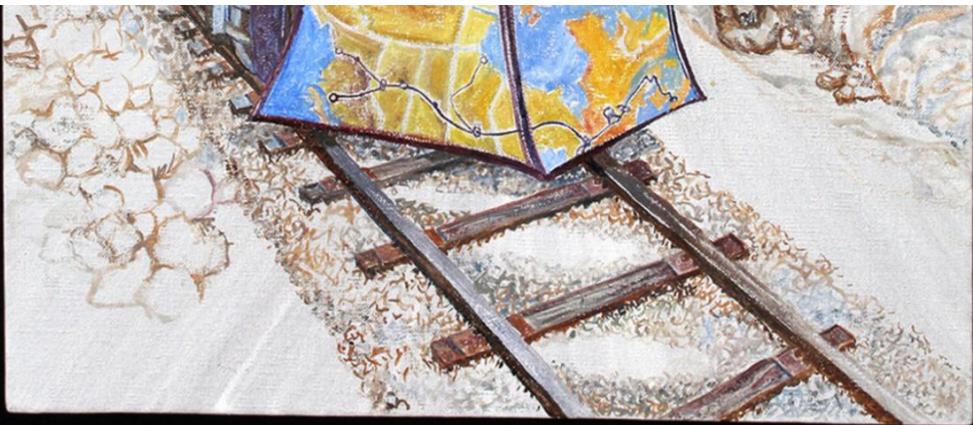


By: John Longhurst
Posted: 2:01 AM CST Saturday, Nov. 23, 2024



JOHN LONGHURST / FREE PRESS
The Peace Train stopped in Winnipeg on Nov. 17.





"You are inspiring in these difficult and uncertain times." Peace Trainers meet Members of Parliament in Ottawa

November 21, 2024



Broadview Magazine

November 19 at 7:01AM ·

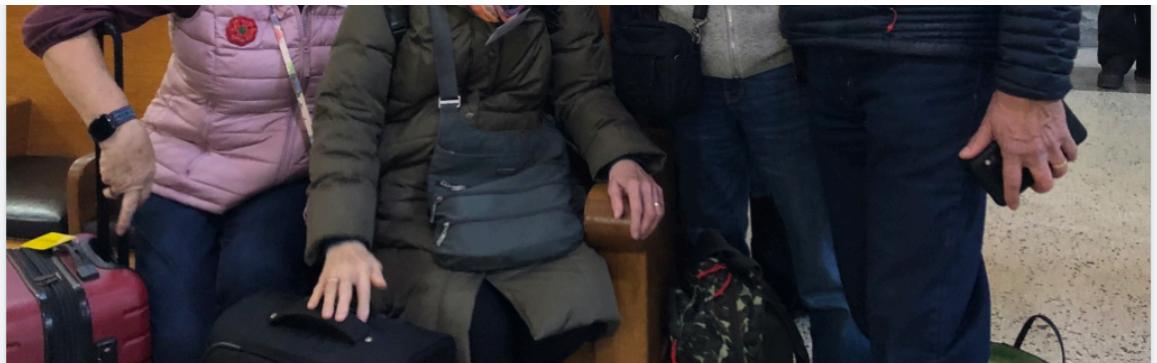
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As part of our Peace Train series, reporter John Longhurst asked Winnipeggers Gordon and Lori Matties, Val Falk, and Agnes Hubert what peace means to them, and how Canada can contribute to a more just world.

Gordon Matties, who boarded the train in Vancouver, envisions "a future without war; a future of peace with justice for all of creation."

Lori Matties shared, "More than ever, I believe we are all called to love our neighbours, and the only way to get rid of our enemies... [See more](#)





The **Multifaith Calendar**

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As multiple conflicts rage across the world, it can be easy to give in to feelings of hopelessness about humanity's prospects for a peaceful and prosperous future. The dream of true and lasting world peace is universal, yet elusive. What will it take for us to finally set aside our petty differences and historical grievances to find a common vision for humanity? Does peace simply entail the absence of war, or does it incorporate freedom from all forms of injustice and oppression?

Many philosophers and spiritual leaders have posited that we cannot achieve global peace and unity until we realize peace within ourselves – an intriguing perspective inviting new and creative interpretations. Perhaps, peace need not be more complicated or grandiose than a walk amongst the wildflowers or a late-summer sunrise.

In the **2025 Multifaith Calendar - Pathways to Peace**, we invited artists to reflect deeply on these perennial questions and to channel their visions of peace into artwork that soothes the spirit, uplifts the soul, inspires others to action, and ultimately offers solace to a divided world. We hope you find that the included art evokes a sense of both comfort and optimism.

What's New for 2025: Over the years, the Multifaith Calendar has been privileged to moons and moon cycles according to different Indigenous Peoples, including Nisga'a (northwestern BC) and Ojibwa (eastern BC to western Quebec and in the upper and mid-west in the US), Cree (across western and central Canada and Québec as well as in Montana), and Coast Salish (Pacific Northwest).

This year, the 2025 Multifaith Calendar again features moons and months as observed by the Mi'kmaq First Nations.

The Mi'kmaq are a First Nation of Indigenous people whose territory—called Mi'kma'ki—spans the maritime provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and parts of Newfoundland and Quebec. The Mi'kmaq have lived there for 11,000 years and their language is one of the Eastern Algonquian family of languages. The Mi'kmaw Moons names denote the passage of time by reflecting activities in the natural world through the seasons.

During the current Canada Post labour dispute, delivery is a challenge for individual copies of the Multifaith Calendar. Alternatively, individual copies are available for purchase at the Canadian Human Rights Museum BOUTIQUE, McNALLY-ROBINSON BOOKS and Canadian Mennonite University's COMMON WORD bookstore.



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**WEEK of
PRAYER**
for CHRISTIAN UNITY
2025

"Do you believe this?" (John 11:26)

**SEMAINE de
PRIÈRE**
pour L'UNITÉ DES CHRÉTIENS
2025

« Crois-tu cela? » (Jean 11,26)

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All are welcome to participate with church leaders in the
CITY-WIDE
ECUMENICAL WORSHIP SERVICE
Sunday, January 19, 2025
7:00 pm



7:30 pm



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or Rev. Robert Polz at Saint John XXIII Church: 204-832-7175, office@johnxxiii.ca, www.johnxxiii.ca
For links to resources for the 2025 Week of Prayer, go on the web to: weekofprayer.ca semainedepriere.ca



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

JANUARY 18 - 25, 2025

1700th Anniversary of the Council of Nicaea “Do you believe this?”

John 11:26

Join Christians around the world in praying the scripture texts, patristic texts, reflections and prayers for the eight days prepared by brothers and sisters of the monastic community of Bose in northern Italy.

GATHERINGS ARE HELD AT TIMES INDICATED IN THE SCHEDULE BELOW
Refreshments and fellowship following most gatherings

SATURDAY, January 18

Pray at home today

Day 1 “The fatherhood and care of God who rules the universe”

Isaiah 63:15-17; Psalm 139; 1 Corinthians 8:5-6

SUNDAY, January 19

7:30 pm

Day 2 “Creation as God’s work”

CITY-WIDE ECUMENICAL WORSHIP SERVICE (with Church Leaders)

HOLY FAMILY UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

1001 Grant Avenue, Winnipeg, 204-453-4653, www.holyfamilyparishmb.ca

MONDAY, January 20

7:30 pm

Day 3 “The Incarnation of the Son”

KILDONAN COMMUNITY CHURCH (PRESBYTERIAN)

2373 Main Street, Winnipeg, 204-339-3502, www.kildonancommunitychurch.com

TUESDAY, January 21

7:30 pm

Day 4 “The Paschal Mystery: The Incarnation, Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus”

ST. JOHN’S CATHEDRAL (ANGLICAN)

135 Anderson Avenue, Winnipeg, 204-586-8385, www.stjohnscathedral.ca

WEDNESDAY, January 22

7:30 pm

Day 5 “The Holy Spirit, the giver of life and joy”

CHARLESWOOD UNITED CHURCH

4820 Roblin Boulevard, Winnipeg, 204-832-3667, www.charleswoodunited.org

JEUDI, 23 Janvier

19h30

Sixième Jour « L’Église : communauté de croyants »

CATHÉDRALE DE SAINT-BONIFACE (Service in French)

180 ave de la Cathédrale, Saint-Boniface, 204-233-7304, www.cathedralestboniface.ca

FRIDAY, January 24

7:30 pm

Day 7 “Baptism into the Death and Resurrection of the Lord”

SAINT JOHN XXIII ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

3390 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, 204-832-7175, www.johnxxiii.ca

SATURDAY, January 25

Pray at home today

Day 8 “Waiting for the Kingdom and the life to come”

Revelation 21:1-4; Psalm 85; Luke 12:35-40

For more information you may contact one of the above churches/groups, or your own minister/pastor,

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Invitation to participate in Ecumenical Choir

An ecumenical choir is being formed to lead music at the forthcoming celebration on January 19th which will be held during the annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. No audition is required. Anyone who can carry a tune and wishes to sing in the choir is welcome!

Rehearsals will be held at Holy Family Ukrainian Catholic Church

from 2:30 to 4:30 pm on Sunday, January 5, 2025

and from 2:30 to 4:30 pm on Sunday, January 12, 2025.

A short final rehearsal will be held immediately before the Ecumenical Worship Service on Sunday, January 19, 2025.

For further information, you may call or text Michele Barr at 204-297-9212 or contact her via email: mbarr41@shaw.ca

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Manitoba Multifaith Council acknowledges that we gather on Treaty One Land, in the traditional territory of the Anishinaabeg, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota peoples, and the homeland of the Métis Nation.

We acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

May we live with respect on this land, and live in peace and friendship with its peoples.

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