



7th ANNAL MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY CELEBRATION

"Our ultimate end must be the creation of the beloved community," stated Civil Rights Leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Live Dr. King's legacy by attending this Lakes Region celebration at Laconia Middle School on Sunday, January 15 from 3:30 – 7:00 p.m. The Laconia Human Relations Committee is joined by the Lakes Region Faith Community and Appalachian Mountain Teen Project to host the event. All are welcome.

Following Dr. King, Jr.'s presentation, a major portion of the movie *Pray the Devil Back to Hell* will be shown. Carol Pierce, Chair, Laconia Human Relations Committee is the moderator.

A potluck dinner follows featuring the many ethnic foods that are now a part of American culture. Each year a pot-luck meal is shared reflecting the cultural heritage of all who come together.

After dinner, the celebration continues with song and dance. Sarah Dan Jones, a renowned guitarist and song leader, will distribute song sheets so we can join voices together in the singing of Civil Rights songs such as *We Shall Overcome*, *We Would Be One* and a song by Jim Cohen celebrating the Jewish concept of Tikun Olam – Repairing the World. Bhutanese dancing is included.

The program concludes with Dave Lynch, Executive Director of the Appalachian Mountain Teen Project, leading an optional discussion about how we can continue to live Dr. King's Dream in the Lakes Region today.

The Laconia Human Relations Committee, representing the interests of citizen rights for all peoples, is proud to have this opportunity to unite long-time residents, more recent refugees, immigrants, and including all who are proud to be able to live in the USA.



**THURSDAY
JANUARY 12, 2012**

**THE NH CONFERENCE - UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
ECONOMIC JUSTICE MINISTRY TEAM**

(in collaboration with an evolving NH Faith-Labor Coalition)

PRESENTS

A Day With Rev. Dr. Paul Sherry, former General Minister and President of the United Church of Christ and currently Director of Public Policy for Interfaith Worker Justice in Washington, DC

THREE OPPORTUNITIES TO MEET AND CONVERSE WITH REV. PAUL SHERRY!

**THREE EVENTS
FEATURING
REV. PAUL SHERRY:**

- **LUNCHTIME DIALOGUE WITH CLERGY AND LAY PEOPLE — 12 Noon -2:00 p.m.** (NH UCC Conference Office, Pembroke)
- **INTERFAITH SERVICE — 4:00 p.m.** (St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Concord)
- **NH FAITH-LABOR COALITION: DIALOGUE and BRAINSTORMING — 5:30 p.m.** (St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Concord)

RSVP (or for more info):
[Please let us know if you plan to attend the NOON or 5:30 p.m. events:](#)
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LUNCHTIME DIALOGUE WITH CLERGY AND LAY PEOPLE

12 Noon-2:00 p.m.

NHC-UCC Conference Office, 140 Sheep Davis Road, Pembroke

Rev. Sherry will talk about one of his key initiatives as Director of Public Policy for Interfaith Worker Justice: *Faith Advocates for Jobs*, an effort that includes a call for faith-based advocacy for job creation and a restored economy and for the creation of congregational-based support efforts for unemployed workers.

Rev. Sherry will also share his perspective on why NH faith leaders should care about NH legislative initiatives that attack worker rights, family-sustaining jobs, and more.

Please bring a brown bag lunch. The Economic Justice Ministry Team will provide a beverage, light snacks, and dessert.

INTERFAITH SERVICE

4:00 p.m. — St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21 Centre Street, Concord

In an interfaith service open to people of all faiths (or no specific faith tradition), Rev. Paul Sherry will deliver a message about how the moral teachings of multiple faith traditions impel us to be instruments of economic justice in our own communities and beyond.

NH FAITH-LABOR DIALOGUE and BRAINSTORMING —

5:30 p.m. — St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21 Centre Street, Concord

This will be a follow-up to the initial NH Faith-Labor Dialogue Session held in October. We will receive inspiration from Rev. Sherry about working and witnessing together to achieve economically just public policy in NH.

Light supper provided.



Rev. Dr. Paul Sherry, currently the Director of Public Policy at the DC Office of INTERFAITH WORKER JUSTICE, is one of our nation's and the UCC's most distinguished theologians. Since his "retirement" from UCC national leadership in 1999, Rev. Sherry has been involved in several key national campaigns calling for economic justice for working men and women through access to decent jobs, family-sustaining wages and benefits, and dignity and respect on the job.

Rev. Dr. Paul Sherry will be in New Hampshire!

**Thursday
January 12, 2012**