

Interfaith Peace Walk & Vigil

"Peace begins with a smile."

– Mother Teresa

While countries around the world celebrate their own Mother's Day at different times through the year, several countries, including the United States, Italy, Australia, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, and Turkey celebrate it on the second Sunday of May. In the United States, the origins of the official holiday go back to 1870, when Julia Ward Howe—an abolitionist best remembered as the poet who wrote "Battle Hymn of the Republic"—worked to establish a Mother's Peace Day. Howe dedicated the celebration to the eradication of war, and organized festivities in Boston for years. In 1907, Anna Jarvis, of Philadelphia, began the campaign to have Mother's Day officially recognized, and in 1914, President Woodrow Wilson did this, proclaiming it a national holiday and a "public expression of our love and reverence for all mothers."



Who: All who would like to see and feel peace in our world

What: A short walk and then time together sponsored by the Interfaith Peace Group with music and a reading of the original "Mother's Day Proclamation" by Julia Ward Howe

When: Saturday, May 13th, 4:30pm–Walk & 5pm–6pm–Vigil

Where: Gather in the parking lot of St. John's Episcopal Church on County Road and walk together to Police Cove Park on County Road

Why: We are lifting up the original meaning of Mother's Day which is relevant to our time

** Please bring diapers that will be donated to "Project Undercover"*

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