

We welcome members of the Sacramento community, our families, friends and allies as we join in this solemn candlelight vigil in observance of the 23rd Annual Transgender Day of Remembrance.

The speakers commemorating this year's event with us are:

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

Poor People's Campaign

Ebony Harper

Executive Director of California TRANScends

Dr. Jennie Lorena Thomas

Spiritual Life Center

The International Transgender Day of Remembrance memorializes those who have suffered violent deaths due to their actual or perceived gender identity or expression. The first candlelight vigil in San Francisco was held in 1999 to honor Rita Hester, murdered on November 28, 1998. Since then, annual memorials have been observed around November 20 in countries around the world.

Officiants:

Rev. Megan Anderson

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson,

Rev. AmunDayo Edwards

Rev. Dr. Rosario Vargas

Music Direction: *Tyx Pulskamp*

Pianist: *Heather Waid*

Annual Transgender Day of Remembrance Candlelight Vigil November 20, 2021, 6:30 pm

Order of Memorial

Slide show – Rachael Hudson

Welcome – Rev. Megan Anderson, Vicar of Trinity Cathedral

Song – “Over the Rainbow”

Invocation and Memorial Candle – Dr. Jennie Lorena Thomas

Reflection on the Day of Remembrance – Dr. Francie Milazzo

Speaker – Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson / Ebony Harper

Song – “Lean On Me”

Speaker – Dr. Jennie Lorena Thomas

Capitol City Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence

Song – “Bridge over Troubled Waters”

Reading of list of names – attendees

Candlelight Circle – Rev. AmunDayo Edwards

Closing – Rev. Dr. Rosario Vargas

Song – “Singing for our Lives”

Refreshments in the Great Hall (all welcome)

Remembering Our Dead

Nineteen years have passed since the tragic slaying of seventeen year-old Gwen Araujo, and thirteen years ago Ruby Molina was found floating in the American River. In 2010 Sacramento's own Carol Ann Byers and Carina Paige Holleran and many young people were numbered among these victims of fear, hatred and violence or who despaired and ended their own lives. These brothers and sisters of ours chose to



engage and live their lives as they knew how braving the scorn and ridicule of those who would not understand them. Finally they paid the ultimate price.



Their tragedies touch us deeply. Their lives inspire admiration and impress the urgency and need for all our brothers and sisters to be allowed to be themselves without fear and danger.

We shed our tears for the loss of these brothers and sisters, for the grief of their families and our community, for the grief of all of us who have long suffered pain from uncaring individuals. May their memories live in our hearts and inspire all of us to commit to the struggle for a loving and accepting world for all.



The Sutter Gender Identity Support Group and Gender Health Center wish to express our thanks for the sponsorship of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, the Sacramento Chapter of PFLAG, the River City Gems, and to our many volunteers, donors and participants whose generous donations of time, talent and resources make this memorial possible.

*To help defray the costs of our memorial and reception, we appreciate any cash or check donations payable to **Trinity Cathedral**, Memo: TDOR Fund.*

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