

You're invited to a Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Community Concert on Sunday, January 20 from 3:00-5:00 pm, in the Emmanuel Parish Hall, 242 Main Street in Eastsound!

Mike Hurwicz and I will be hosting a community concert celebrating the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and, this year, also the legacy of legendary folksinger Pete Seeger, since 2019 marks the 100th anniversary of Pete's birth.

Songs and poems will be shared by a variety of local performers. And there will be sing-alongs! We've invited a bunch of musicians and poets to participate. If you haven't received an invitation from us to participate and have a burning desire to share a song or poem, please let me know as soon as you can. At this point, we have room in the program.

The event is free and open to the public. Donations are welcome and will benefit the Orcas Island Food Bank, the Emmanuel Church Community Dinner Kitchen, and [Irthlingz Arts-Based Environmental Education](#) to help fund the first Orcas Peace Summit in September 2019.

Refreshments will be provided – more are welcome.

Co-sponsored by the Emmanuel Episcopal Parish and Irthlingz Arts-Based Environmental Education.

For more information, please contact me at (360) 376-5773 or sharmuse@gmail.com, or message me on Facebook.

Dr. King is one of the most important figures in U.S. history. His courage, intelligence, determination, organizing skills, and commitment to peace and social justice serve as a powerful inspiration not only to Black Americans but to Americans of every cultural background and to people around the world.

Pete Seeger used his voice in support of the Civil Rights movement in the 1960s. He was also a leader in the Labor, Peace and Environmental movements. Pete dedicated his life to social justice, peace, and understanding between people of all cultural backgrounds. Born on May 3, 1919, Pete passed away in January 2014.

“A nation that continues year after year to spend more money on military defense than on programs of social uplift is approaching spiritual death.” – Martin Luther King, Jr.

Hoping you can join us on January 20th!!

All best wishes for a healthy, happy, peaceful, prosperous, politically progressive, socially just, spiritually uplifting, environmentally sane, and fun 2019!!

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