National Vigil for all Victims of Gun Violence

We come together to remember the 100,000+ lost or injured by gun violence each year and to pray for peace in their honor.

National Vigil to #EndGunViolence
St. Mark’s Episcopal Church on Capitol Hill
December 4, 2019
And at hundreds of locations nationwide
in December 2019
PRELUDE
“Salut d’Amour” (‘Love’s Greeting’) by Edward Elgar, op. 12
“Rêverie” by Claude Debussy
“Celtic Heart” by Doug Hammer
“Ave Maria” by Franz Schubert, op. 52 No. 6
Doug Hammer, piano and Velleda Miragias, cello

PROCESSION
Gays Against Guns Humans

WELCOME
Senators Richard Blumenthal and Chris Murphy, Representative Jahana Hayes: The Connecticut Congressional

CALL TO PRAYER
The Right Reverend Mark Beckwith, Founding Convener of Bishops United Against Gun Violence
Rabbi Hannah Spiro, Hill Havurah of Capitol Hill
Rayyan Syed, All Dulles Area Muslim Society

MUSIC
“Stand by Me” by Ben E King, Jerry Leiber, and Mike Stoller
ADAMS Beat Choir of Northern Virginia

TESTAMENTS OF LOSS
Jacorey Taylor, son of Corey Taylor, killed by a felon with a gun on July 19th 2013, Midlothian, Texas
Julia Spoor, daughter of Scott Spoor, died by gun suicide on September 25, 2009 in Lutz, Florida

REMEMBERING THOSE WE WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN FROM US
Families and survivors from 22 states will announce the names of those who we are honoring

MUSIC
“What We Really Want” by Rosanne Cash
“Crossing to Jerusalem” by Rosanne Cash & John Leventhal
Rosanne Cash with John Leventhal on guitar

SPECIAL GUEST
Speaker Nancy Pelosi

TESTIMONY OF LOSS
Pamela Boseley, mother of Terrell Bosley, killed on April 4, 2006 in Chicago, Illinois; cofounder of Purpose Over Pain

Fred Guttenberg, father of Jaime Guttenberg, killed at Marjory Stoneman Douglas School in Parkland on February 14, 2018; founder of Orange Ribbons for Gun Safety

MUSIC
“Song of the Birds” by Pablo Casals /Bearinish
Doug Hammer, piano and Velleda Miragias, cello
TESTIMONY OF FUTURE

Kristin Song, mother of Ethan Song, killed by an unsecured gun on January 31, 2018 in Guildford, Connecticut; cofounder of Ethan Miller Song Foundation

Representative Lucy McBath, (D-GA 6th District)

HONOR WITH ACTION AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Please stand if you are able to answer the questions asked.

Melissa Kane, Selectwoman of Westport, Connecticut and President of Connecticut Against Gun Violence

Mitch Dworet, father of Nicholas Dworet, killed at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School on February 14, 2018 in Parkland, Florida

Andrea Murray, daughter of Arnold Murray, died by gun suicide in Chicago City, Minnesota on May 29, 2008

Abede Dasilva, survivor of the Waffle House mass shooting incident, brother of Akilah Dasilva, killed in the same shooting in Antioch, Tennessee on April 22, 2018

Jane Weiss, aunt of Veronika Weiss, killed on May 23, 2014 in Isla Vista, California

Samuel Saylor, father of Shane Oliver, killed on October 20, 2012 in Hartford, Connecticut

Tatiana Washington, niece of Sherida Davis, killed in a murder suicide at the hands of her husband in 2017 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Advocacy Associate for March for Our Lives

Natalie Barden, sister of Daniel Barden, killed in Sandy Hook Elementary School on December 14, 2012; co-chair of Junior Newtown Action Alliance

Doreen Dodgen-Magee, whose sister-in-law and three nieces - age 5, 3, & 5 months were shot and killed by her husband/their father on September 11, 1995 in Scotts Mills, Oregon; mother-in-law also shot but survived

Becky Stein, Board Member of Gun Safety Alliance

Po Murray, Co-founder and Chairwoman of the Newtown Action Alliance and the Newtown Foundation

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES WITH MUSIC

“I shall be released” by Bob Dylan

Sung by Rosanne Cash with John Leventhal on guitar

DEPARTURE
MORE THAN 700,000 AMERICANS HAVE BEEN KILLED OR INJURED BY GUNS SINCE THE TRAGIC SHOOTING AT THE SANDY HOOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SEVEN YEARS AGO. WE COME TOGETHER TO #HONORWITHACTION AND TO GIVE VOICE TO ALL VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF GUN VIOLENCE. TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO #ENDGUNVIOLENCE IN OUR NATION.

THE NEWTOWN FOUNDATION is a Newtown-based, all volunteer organization formed after the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting to provide comfort, education, scholarship, other support and resources to families and communities impacted by gun violence in America; and to help them lead the way toward positive cultural change. The Newtown Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. learn more at www.newtownfoundation.org.

THE NEWTOWN ACTION ALLIANCE is a national grassroots organization formed after the tragic shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School. It works to make America’s children, families, and all citizens safer through legislative and cultural change that will reduce gun violence in our nation. learn more about the Newtow n action alliance at http://alliance.newtownaction.org/.

ST. MARK’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH is a unique and thriving community of individuals that welcomes everyone, regardless of where they are on their faith journey. We are and have been a community dedicated to inclusive hospitality, a place where we strive boldly for peace and justice.

SPECIAL THANKS
THE JOYCE FOUNDATION, ROSANNE CASH, JOHN LEVENTHAL, DANNY KAHN, DOUG HAMMER, VELLEDA MIRAGIAS, MEDIA STORM, ENCOMPASS MEDIA GROUP, TV GUIDE, VICE, NEW YORK MAGAZINE, VERIZON MEDIA, THE WRAP, TEADS, HULU, INFLUENTIAL, GO CURB, JEREMY SALADYGA PHOTOGRAPHY, STEWART ANDREWS, EVERYTOWN FOR GUN SAFETY, DEE HODSON, ANN TILLISTRAND, GIVE AN HOUR, ALPHAGRAPHERS STAMFORD ALL OUR DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS FROM THE NEWTOWN ACTION ALLIANCE AND ST MARKS EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
ALL PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS, PERFORMERS, AND MEMBERS OF THE CLERGY. THE MANY FRIENDS, SUPPORTERS, AND PARTNERS WHO INSPIRE EVERYDAY.

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