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For Immediate Release:

Faith Fest 2020: An opportunity to meet and learn about the many Faith Communities of our area.

Many Owensboro area faith communities and the Owensboro-Daviess County Ministerial Association are pleased to announce the 10th Annual Faith Fest will take place from 6-22 November 2020. Events will include educational events and prayer services in several Traditions all via Zoom. Faith Fest will conclude with the 13th Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service hosted by the Owensboro Interfaith Center on Sunday, 22 Nov @ 2:00 pm. [Details at <u>http://www.faithfest.org</u>] Major events include:

- Faith Fest will open with Friday prayers, Jummah, broadcast from the Islamic Center of Owensboro at 1:30 pm on Friday, 6 Nov. and Interfaith 101 Workshop on how to make the most of Faith Fest at 10:30 am on Saturday, 7 Nov.
- Tours of Faith Homes will be on virtual:
 - Sunday, 8 Nov, from 2-2:30 @ St. Stephen's Cathedral and 2:30-3 pm @ Temple Adath Israel.
 - Sunday 15 Nov, from 2-3 pm @ the Islamic Center of Owensboro and 3-3:30 @ the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Owensboro.
 - Thursday, 19 Nov beginning at 6:30 pm at Tri-State Hindu Temple, including an Into to Hinduism and Baja streets performed by Anish Pandit.
- New events this year include a couple of daytime options:
 - A presentation on Interfaith Chaplaincy: Rev. Rebekah Wagner, Director of Pastoral Care at OHRH will offer a talk on Ministering with Folks Who Believe Differently from Oneself on Thursday, 12 Nov @ 1:30 pm.
 - A book discussion on Mirabai Starr's book, *God of Love: A Guide to the Heart of Judaism, Christianity and Islam,* will be offered by Maryann Joyce, Director of Mount. St. Joseph Conference and Retreat Center on Friday, 20 Nov @ 2:30 pm.
- Two special events of note:
 - A presentation on Interfaith Responses and Climate Change by Emily A. DeMoor, PhD on Saturday, 14 Nov @ 10:30 am.
 - A conversation with Bishop Medley (Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Owensboro) and Rev.
 Ray Clark (Ecumenical and Interreligious Officer of the Diocese) on Saturday, 21 Nov @ 2 pm.

Complete details are available at <u>www.FaithFest.org</u>

Note to Editors

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At their 69th Annual Assembly, the Kentucky Council of Churches recognized ODCMA for its programs and events bringing people of different faiths together in understanding and friendship.