

2023 RELIGIOUS HOLY DAYS / HOLIDAYS CALENDAR

This listing, though selective and incomplete, highlights religious feasts, festivals and other observances. It is offered by United Churches Interfaith Dialogue Commission with the hope that awareness will be fostered of special days celebrated by other Christian Traditions and some celebrations of other Faiths present in our community.

KEY: (PC) Protestant Christians, (RC) Roman Catholic Christians, (OC) Orthodox Christians, (C) Christians [All], (E) Ecumenical. Other religions in our area - (I) Islam, (J) Jewish (B) Buddhist (IF) Interfaith (N) National

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
1 - New Year's Day --	2 - Meeting of Christ in the Temple OC	3 - World Day of Prayer (CWU) E
6 - Epiphany/Theophony C	5 - Four Chaplains Sunday C+J	12-18 Brotherhood/Sisterhood Wk IF
8 - Baptism of Jesus C	12- Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday E	7- Purim J
15-21- MLKing Dream Week All	18 - Lailat al Miraj I	6- Magha Puja Day B
18-25 - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity E	19 - Transfiguration C	23 - Ramadan Begins I
	20 - Trip: Holocaust Museum IF	25- Annunciation of Virgin Mary RC
	21 - Shrove Tuesday PC & RC	
	22 - Ash Wednesday PC & RC	
	27 - Great Lent (Triodion) Begins OC	
APRIL	MAY	JUNE
2 - Palm Sunday PC+RC	4 - National Day of Prayer N	3 - Visakha Puja Day B
7 - Good Friday PC+RC	5 - May Friendship Day (CWU) E	4 - Pentecost OC
5-13 - Passover (Pesach) J	18 - Ascension of Jesus PC+RC	4 - United Churches Sunday E
8 - Lazarus Saturday OC	25 - Ascension of Jesus OC	4 - Trinity Sunday PC+RC
9 - Easter PC+RC	25-27 Shavuot J	11 - All Saints Day OC
9 - Palm Sunday OC	28 - Pentecost PC+RC	19 - Junteenth All
14 - Holy Friday OC		26-7/1 - Hajj I
16 - Pascha (Easter) OC		
18 - Yom Ha Shoah J		
21 - Eid al-Fitr Ramadan Ends I		
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
4 - Independence Day USA	6 - Transfiguration C	8 - Birth of the Virgin Mary C
18-19 - Islamic New Year I	15 - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary RC+OC	11 - Memorial Bike Ride All
27 - Tisha B'Av J		14 - Holy Cross Day RC+OC
		15-17 - Rosh Hashanah J
		24-25 - Yom Kippur J
		29-10/6 - Sukkot J
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
9/29-10/6 - Sukkot J	1 - All Saints Day PC+RC	3 - Advent Begins C
1 - World Communion Sunday E	3 - World Community Day Pgm E	6 - St. Nicholas Day C
2-8 - Mental Illness Awareness Week	13 - World Kindness Day All	7-15 - Hanukkah J
4 - Saint Francis Day RC/PC	15 - Advent Begins (Winter Lent) OC	8 - Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary RC
8 - CROP Walk All	21 - Entry of the Theotokos OC	24 - Last Sunday of Advent C
16 - World Food Day All	23 - Thanksgiving All - USA	25 - Christmas C
	26 - Christ the King PC+RC	31 - Watch Night C

NOTE: Celebrations of the Jewish & Islamic holy days begin at sundown the preceding day, and end at sundown on the holy day.