

# Religious Leaders in Baltimore Host Interfaith Prayer Service on One Year Anniversary of Baltimore Unrest

A large group of faith leaders from religious communities serving in the Baltimore area will participate in a prayer service on Monday, April 25th at 7 p.m. at the Basilica of the Assumption in Baltimore. The service will bring together people of all faiths to pray for peace, healing and unity in Baltimore on the one year anniversary of the unrest that followed the death of Freddie Gray.

Rev. Dr. John Deckenback of the United Church of Christ, Imam Earl El-Amin of the Muslim Community Cultural Center of Baltimore, Rabbi Dr. Steven Fink of Temple Oheb Shalom, Rev. Dr. Alvin Hathaway, Sr. of Union Baptist Church, Rev. Wolfgang Herz-Lane of the Evangelical Lutheran Church Delaware-Maryland Synod, and Archbishop William E. Lori, Bishop Denis Madden and Father Donald Sterling of the Archdiocese of Baltimore are organizers of the event. Most of the leaders traveled to Rome together last month in a pilgrimage to meet with Pope Francis and to pray for peace in Baltimore. The group has been in regular dialogue over the past year to discuss ways to work together to promote peace and to address underlying problems on behalf of the City.

Leaders and ministers of all faiths, as well as members of their congregations, have been invited to participate and attend the prayer service, whose theme is "From Hope to Wholeness."

The service will be broadcast live via Periscope on Twitter. For more information, visit [www.archbalt.org](http://www.archbalt.org).