



**Envisioning a strong network of faith communities that collaborate to make our city a haven for all.**

**Master of Ceremonies: Reverend Dr. Carl P. Wallace**

## **The Akron Area Interfaith Council (AAIC) Presents Its Annual Award Event**

***Beyond Tolerance: Voices of Many Faiths***  
*A collaboration of multicultural community-based performances*

***St Paul Catholic Church  
1580 Brown St  
Akron, OH  
Sunday November 10, 2019 at 3 pm.***

**This year's award winner is  
Pastor Bradley Jagger  
The Church in Silver Lake**



### **About Pastor Bradley Jagger**

Pastor Jagger is celebrating his 5th year at The Church in Silver Lake. His passion to grow new outreach ministries and fellowship has rekindled the spirit and life of The Church in Silver Lake. How Pastor Jagger promotes and follows this mission can be seen in the many services provided by the church.

Along with his busy schedule as Pastor for the Church, he is an instructor of Religious Studies at the Kent State University Center for Comparative and Integrative Programs.

### **About The Church in Silver Lake**

The Church brings together progressively-minded people across a spectrum of life experiences. Multi-generational, its congregation of believers and skeptics alike are seeking faith and community. Together with a variety of faith backgrounds, The Church in Silver Lake is on a path to deepen the church community's connection with God and their understanding of humanity.

For more information go to: [churchinsilverlake@gmail.com](mailto:churchinsilverlake@gmail.com) or [akroninterfaithcouncil.org](http://akroninterfaithcouncil.org)

## 2019 Artists and Contributors



The event will begin with the music of the **Akron Area and District Pipe Band** who will call guests into the Sanctuary with the commanding sounds of bagpipes. **The Akron and District Pipe Band** performs classical and contemporary bagpipe and drum music for the preservation of Scottish and Irish musical traditions.

**Father Matthew Pfeiffer, Pastor of St. Paul Church**, will welcome and open the program. Coincidentally, this program coincides with the milestone 100 year anniversary of the church. Enjoy a trip down memory lane as Father Pfeiffer reminds us that St. Paul's continues to be a guiding light for the community. For more information go to: [stpaulparishakron.org](http://stpaulparishakron.org) or [akroninterfaithcouncil.org](http://akroninterfaithcouncil.org)



The distinguished Master of Ceremony will be Reverend Dr. Carl P. Wallace. Dr. Wallace, whose motto "It is all about service," is a recipient of many awards for his tireless dedication to community service in Akron and Northeast Ohio. Dr. Wallace is currently the Chief Operating Officer of Abundant Life Farm a non-profit entity whose mission is teaching how to love our earth through agricultural innovation and conservation. Additionally, He is very active in the Greater Akron Civility Center.



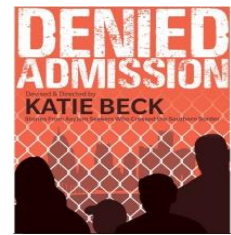
**Rachel O'Connell** is a graduate of the Cleveland Institute of Music with a Master of Music Degree. Currently a soprano with the Akron Symphony Chorus, Ms. O'Connell has performed as a soloist for Handel's Messiah, Vivaldi's Gloria, Bach's Christmas Oratorio, and Robert Elmore's Three Psalms.

**The Harmony Chorus**, directed by **Arne Hosbach**, is comprised of voices from many houses of worship in the Akron area. The goal of the chorus is to actively demonstrate how our fellowship can create unity as we celebrate our diversity.



**Nepali Saskritik Kala Kendra**, led by **Sumitra Baraily**, is a dance group that performs traditional and modern variations of Nepalese dance.

**Gum-Dip Theatre (a theatrical ensemble)** will present the first act of their play **Denied Admission** which examines the boundaries of personal liberty in a new play based on credible fear interviews of asylum seekers who crossed the southern U.S. border. **Devised and directed by Katie Beck.**



**Chords of Blue** is a talented trio of R & B, Pop and Soul musical artists who often perform in the Akron vicinity.

**Karen Culture Dance Academy**, as dance instructor, **Hsa Win**, who was born in a Thailand refugee camp, leads this group in preserving and reinforcing the traditional Karen culture and its values for future generations.



**Pastor Skyler Roberson** is a Massillon native who moved to Akron as one of the founding pastors of Citizens Akron. He's deeply influenced by the culture of Hip Hop and uses the element of rap to express his faith.

**Joy Marsella, PhD**, is Professor Emeritus of English at the University of Hawaii. She has written **CREATING A NEW CIVILITY**, to be published February, 2020 by the University of Akron Press. She describes a way of living that moves beyond tolerance to full humanity, interdependence of us all, and the common good.



**The Druk Fusion Band** with band leader **Bishnu Ramdam**, will be performing music from their native country Bhutan, while blending their traditional music with other contemporary global influences.