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**INTERFAITH CLERGY  
ASSOCIATION OF NYACK**

O God our Redeemer and Helper, let all affirm You and praise Your name in truth.

*Eternal One, whose nature is Goodness, we give You thanks and praise.*

**In Everything Give Him Thanks**

By Lanny Wolf

*St. Philip's AME Zion Church Choir*  
Pastor Richard Smith, Conductor, Piano

**PROCLAMATION BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES  
FOR THANKSGIVING DAY 2016**

**READING: DEUTERONOMY 8:1-3, 6-10**

"All the commandments which I command you this day you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the Eternal swore to give to your ancestors. And you shall remember all the ways which the Eternal your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that God might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep God's commandments, or not. And God humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your ancestors know; that God might make you know that people do not live by bread alone, but that people live by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the Eternal One."

"So you shall keep the commandments of the Eternal One your God, by walking in God's ways and by fearing God. For the Eternal One your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing forth in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the Eternal One your God for the good land God has given you."

**L'chu N'ran'nah**

Music: B. Morris, Arr. L. Corrsin

Text: Psalm 95

*The Reform Temple of Rockland Choir*

Stephen Iger, Conductor

David Macfarlane, Piano

**RESPONSIVE READING: PSALM 148**

Praise the Eternal from the heavens; praise God on high.

*Praise God, all angels; praise God, all Divine hosts.*

Praise God, sun and moon, praise God, all bright stars.

*Praise God, highest heavens, and you waters that are above the heavens.*

Let them praise the name of the Eternal, for it was God who commanded their creation.

## The Prayer

By Carole Bayer Sager & David Foster  
Reverend Everett Newton & Cantor Sally Neff  
David Macfarlane, Piano

**READING: Qur'an 1:1-7; 16:114**  
Islamic Center of Rockland

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ (١)  
الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ (٢) الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ (٣) مَلِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ (٤) إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ (٥) أَهْدِنَا  
الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ (٦) صِرَاطَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ غَيْرِ الْمَغْضُوبِ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا الضَّالِّينَ (٧)

In the name of God, the most gracious, the most merciful.  
Praise belongs to God alone, the sustainer of all the worlds.  
The most gracious, the most merciful.  
Lord of the day of judgment.  
It is You we worship, and it is You we ask for help.  
Guide us to the straight path.  
The path of those you have blessed, those who incur no anger, and who have not gone astray.  
فَكُلُوا مِمَّا رَزَقَكُمُ اللَّهُ حَلالًا طَيِّبًا وَاشْكُرُوا نِعْمَتَ اللَّهِ إِنَّ كُنْتُمْ إِيَّاهُ تَعْبُدُونَ

From the livelihood eat lawful and good food that Allah has given to you and be Thankful for the favors of Allah whom you serve.

## Hava Nagila

Traditional

*The Congregation Sons of Israel Choir*  
Cantor Michael Kasper, Conductor

**READING: The Gospel of Matthew 6:25-33**

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' For others strive for all these things; and indeed God knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Tonight's collection will benefit:

**The Rockland County Pride Center**  
**OUR MISSION: EQUALITY & JUSTICE FOR ALL**  
**WITH NO EXCEPTIONS**

The Rockland County Pride Center is an LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) organization with an anti-racist, social justice mission. Our purpose is to support and celebrate the LGBT community, challenge stereotypes and practices that adversely impact Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender people, and provide a wide range of services to ensure equitable resources and opportunities for all – with no exceptions.

Tonight's collection will be earmarked for the Pride Center's anti-bullying work.



**rockland county pride center**

Tonight's youth activity will benefit:

People to People's "In The Bag,"  
a lunch program for children in need.



**BENEDICTION:**

יְבָרְכֶךָ ה' וַיִּשְׁמְרֶךָ.  
יָאֵר ה' פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וַיַּחַנְךָ.  
יֵשָׂא ה' פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וַיִּשֶׂם לְךָ שְׁלוֹם.

May God bless you and keep you.  
May God's presence be with you and be gracious to you.  
May God's eyes remain fixed upon you, and grant you peace.