The University Chaplaincy is a dynamic hub supporting religious, spiritual, ethical, and cultural life for all members of the Tufts community. We provide pastoral care, support religious and philosophical communities, educate about spiritual and ethical issues in society and the world, and promote multifaith engagement.

The Feast of Lights (Feast of Dedication) is celebrated for eight days to commemorate the rededication of the Hanukkah menorah. This year, it starts on Mon., Dec. 12, 2022. In the northern tradition, this is the anniversary of the Buddha's Enlightenment, ca. 596 BCE. In the southern tradition, it is the birthday of Buddha, ca. 563 BCE.

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Period of four weeks in which Christians prepare for Christmas and meditate on the end of all time. In Western tradition: Christianity-Protestant, Christianity-Roman Catholic

The 2023 guiding quote is from King's book "I Have a Dream," spoken word, songs, art, or performances - to be considered and join the January 30 celebration.

Enlightenment Day Celebration

Join the University Chaplaincy and the Interfaith Ambassadors for this evening of warm celebration featuring liturgical music, mindfulness meditations, followed by reflections from diverse spiritual leaders and students about Zen Buddhism, Christian monasticism, Jewish Mysticism, Sufi Islam, and more.

A well-deserved celebration of the end of the academic year and the coming winter season will be hosted by the Chaplaincy and True Colors. The event will take place on Friday, December 9, 2:00 p.m., Interfaith Center.

True Colors Candle Making

Take a break from studying to join True Colors, the LGBT Center and University Chaplaincy's queer interfaith student group, as we make candles to celebrate the incoming winter season! All supplies will be provided and queer students of all faith backgrounds (including none at all!) are welcome, including those who identify as a member of a religious group.

Christmas Comes Early: A Party!

All are welcome as gather to celebrate the Christmas season! Come for dinner, cookie decorating and festive music. Jason Evers will be DJ'ing. If you are in a position to contribute to our drive for the Harvard Square Homeless Shelter, please bring socks, underwear and period products for the shelter's needs.

Chanukarnival

While it isn't truly Chanukah until the very end of the semester, Tufts Hillel and Chabad wanted to sponsor an event to mark the beginning of Chanukah! It will be held on Friday, December 9, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Interfaith Center 58 Winthrop St. Join us in the Hillel building at 8:30 for carnival games and snacks, with a fun Jewish spin. There will be latkes, dreidels, and prizes galore! Absolutely everyone is welcome to celebrate with us. The Chanukarnival will take place on Friday, December 9, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. in the Hillel building at 8:30 for carnival games and snacks, with a fun Jewish spin. There will be latkes, dreidels, and prizes galore! Absolutely everyone is welcome to celebrate with us.

MLK Day of Service

The 2023 theme for MLK Day of Service is "We Don't Have Much Time," Raising Consciousness and Building the Future. This theme comes from the quote, and will inform the university-wide event. You can register or volunteer here. The event will take place on Monday, January 30. To donate, please click on the button below. Thank you for your generosity.

Pax et Lux

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All are welcome to come have fun, celebrate the season and eat great food! The event will take place on Thursday, December 8, 7:00 p.m. at Goddard Chapel. It will be a night of singing, dancing, and story-telling featuring spirited chanting, accompanied by mangoes, persimmons, rice cakes and revelations. Please join us!