



[Hiroshima to Nagasaki 4 Day Vigil](#)

PAVING A PATH TOWARD PEACE

Two evening programs feature visiting speakers:

Monday, August 6, 7pm, [Episcopal Church of Saints James and Andrew](#) sanctuary, 8 Church Street, Greenfield: **Helen Young**, director of the **documentary, [Nuns Priests and the Bombs](#)** (*Are they criminals or prophets sending a wake-up call to the world?*) will show and discuss her film.

on **Tuesday, August 7, 7pm,** [All Souls Church](#) Parish Hall (downstairs, 339 Main St., corner of Main and Hope): **Ira Helfand** will speak, Co-chair, Nuclear Weapons Abolition Committee, co-president of Physicians for Social Responsibility's global federation, International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW) & recently back from Korea.

The full schedule is online <https://hn4vigil.org/schedule/> and as follows:

From 8 AM, August 6th, through Thursday, the 9th of August at noon, a vigil/teach-in, coinciding with the times A bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and then Nagasaki, will open and close with drumming, the ringing of church bells and a minute of silence for reflection. Throughout those days here will be many offerings to help us understand the magnitude of nuclear war and importance of peace.

During the days — at the Common there will be the opportunity to make art, origami and to join in with singers, poets & performers in celebrating peace. Tables will be set up with information on the nuclear situation and the global peace movement. There will also be petitions to sign to join the international movement to abolish nuclear weapons. Stop on by ANYTIME! Events will also happen at the Greenfield Public Library, the

downtown GCC campus, All Souls Church, & the Episcopal Church of Saints James and Andrew.

MONDAY, AUGUST 6th:

Opening gathering...with drumming at 8 AM & church bells at 8:15 followed by a **minute of silence** to reflect on the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima at that time. Buddhist monks from the Leverett Peace Pagoda will be present.

9AM - Noon:

Poets will share their reflections on peace.

We will read the speech that **Setsuko Thurlow** who survived the bombing of Hiroshima, (such survivors are known as Hibakusha) gave at the Nobel Peace Ceremony honoring ICAN in December 2017.

Music — played by Jared Browning (Phil Ochs, etc.), & others.

11 AM: *Oops, I Dropped My wrench Kabloooee Theatre*, presents their **puppet show**: “The meek shall inherit the earth...” - Town Common. This show is geared towards an older audience; parental guidance suggested.

Noon: Eric Nakajima whose family died in the fire bombing of Tokyo, and who knew survivors of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki will share his stories. In the Common.

1:00 PM: First of 3-day Reconciliation Film & Conversation series led by Rabbi Andrea Cohen-Kiener. The first film is the **Act of Killing** - about the mass killings in Indonesia in the 1960’s as narrated by the killers— director, Josh Oppenheimer. GCC - Downtown campus, 270 Main St.

2-4 - Collective Art project with Nancy Baker on the Commons - Join us to paint together a mural on butcher block paper conjuring your images of peace.

At 3PM - 5 PM, the film: **On the beach** dealing with the aftermath of a nuclear holocaust. Riveting with powerful performances by Gregory Peck, Ava Gardner, Fred Astaire, and Anthony Perkins. Greenfield Public Library

At 5:30 Sarah Pirtle and singers from her Journey Camp will perform songs of peace in the Town Common. Kitomi Takano, peace activist from Japan, will speak first, then the children will sing...one song was composed by a Greenfield camper.

At 7pm, Helen Young, director of the **documentary, “Nuns Priests and the Bombs”** will be showing and talking about the making of her film in the sanctuary of the Episcopal Church of Saints James and Andrew.

TUESDAY: Aug. 7th

9AM-9:45, Tim Van Egmond **telling tales of peace** and playing his dulcimer...

10AM... *Oops, I Dropped My Wrench Kabloooee Theatre*, with the puppet show: “The Meek shall Inherit the Earth”. Town Common

11 AM: Lydia Wood will present an **ICAN workshop** at the Library. (International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons).

Noon: Steve Connor, who was stationed in Osaka, Japan, will talk about his experiences **meeting with Hiroshima survivors**. In the Common.

1:00 - 3:00 PM GCC campus: The second of 3-day Reconciliation Film & Conversation series led by Rabbi Andrea Cohen-Kiener is **“Two-sided story” with 27 Palestinians** who have lost loved ones in the conflict sharing their stories. GCC - Downtown campus, 270 Main St.

3:00 PM - 5 PM: *Dr. Strangelove & How I stopped worrying and Loved the Bomb* film with Peter Sellers, directed by Stanley Kubrick. Greenfield Public Library

3:00 PM - The Montague Public Library is hosting “Paving a Path for Peace: Paper Crane Project,” in remembrance of the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings, during which there will be a **reading of an excerpt of “Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes”** by Eleanor Coerr and **“Peaceful Pieces: Poems and Quilts about Peace”** by Anna Grossnickle Hines.

Origami expert Mike Naughton will show participants how to make paper cranes and other designs as well.

5:30: ICAN workshop (repeat) at the Greenfield Public Library with Lydia Wood.

7:00: Ira Helfand, Co-chair, Nuclear Weapons Abolition Committee, co-president of Physicians for Social Responsibility’s global federation, International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW), and recently back from Korea, will speak at All Souls Church, downstairs in the Parish Hall.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8th:

9 AM: *Oops, I Dropped My Wrench Kabloooee Theatre*, with their puppet show: “The Meek Shall Inherit the Earth...” - Town Common. This show is geared towards an older audience; parental guidance suggested.

10 AM: **Doug Renick and Susan Lantz** will offer a workshop “**Let’s talk Nuclear Weapons: “What is the danger, what can we do?”**” In the Greenfield Room of the Greenfield Public Library.

11 AM: **Annie Hassett** leading folks in **singing songs** of peace. Greenfield Commons

11:30: **Rob Peck juggler** and **storyteller**. Greenfield Commons

Noon: Extraordinary hip hop rap artist, **Tem Blessed**, will perform his anti-nuclear piece. Greenfield Commons

1-3 PM: The third film of the 3-day Reconciliation Film & Conversation series lead by Rabbi Andrea Cohen-Kiener is **Accidental Courtesy**. African American, Daryl Davis, talks about overcoming differences with the klansmen. GCC - Downtown campus, 270 Main St.

3-5 film: “**Command and Control**” at the Greenfield Public Library. A PBS film about accident in 1980 at a nuclear silo in AK that was almost a world disaster.

6-8 PM Family Night of Peace: readings of Sadako and the creation of Origami cranes as part of the town’s collective effort to make over 1,000 cranes during the time of the Vigil. At the Greenfield Library.

7 PM: Japanese bamboo flutist, **Chris Stetson...** will introduce the evening video presentation at St James Church with **Gar Alperovitz** author of Atomic Diplomacy, and **Daniel Ellsberg** who not only released the Pentagon papers but recently published a book on our nuclear program, *The Doomsday Machine*. Randy Kehler, anti-war activist and director of the original National Nuclear Freeze campaign will be present to moderate and answer questions.

Richard Krushnic will follow with a talk on the **new generation of Nukes** and speak about Cambridge, MA’s **divestment** resolution. St. James Church.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9TH:

9 AM: **Oops, I Dropped My Wrench Kabloooee Theatre** presents the puppet show: “The Meek Shall Inherit the Earth...” - on the nation’s nuclear build up. Town Common

10 AM: Workshop: **How to align a city with a nuclear ban treaty**...Joe Napoleano, head of The Resistance Center (former AFSC) in Northampton. Greenfield Room of the Greenfield library

10:00 AM: **Music with Jared Browning** on the Commons.

11 AM: **Joe Kurland: Storytelling** - Town Commons

11:30: Anti-nuke skit by the Mudflat Rosebuds, “Hiroshima Forgotten” with Court Dorsey, ReBekka Tippens, Emily Gopen, Sonny Crawford and Mark Benjamin.

11:45- drumming..Bells ringing at noon commemorating the dropping of bombs on Nagasaki followed a minute of silence. The monks from the Leverett Peace Pagoda will be present.