

## **A Call to Live Peacefully in Turbulent Times**

The public is invited to join in an evening prayer service to be a peacemaker. The gathering will be on Tuesday, September 25, at 6:30 p.m. at Marian University, Dorcas Chapel.

The International Day of Peace ("Peace Day") is observed around the world each year on September 21. Established in 1981 by unanimous United Nations resolution, Peace Day provides a globally shared date for all humanity to commit to peace above all differences and to contribute to building a culture of peace.

Sister Ruth Battaglia believes that peacemaking begins with the individual, the family, and the local community. "We can be peacemakers right here in Fond du Lac", said Sister Ruth, Coordinator of Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation for the Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes. "We feel within ourselves the tensions that arise from political contentiousness, racial and gender discrimination, hate and violence. The September 25<sup>th</sup> prayer service will be a quiet, reflective time to gentle our own hearts and to pray for peace throughout the world."

Pope Francis states "Each one of us is called to be an artisan of peace, by uniting not dividing, by extinguishing hatred and not holding on to it, by opening paths to dialog and not to constructing new walls!"

All denominations are welcome to join CSA in ritual, song, reflection and silence to embrace peacemaking for our community.