

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

"And so even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream."



TIMELINE OF HISTORIC SPEECHES

1963



Dr. King delivered his famous "I have a Dream" speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial.

1965



After marching from Selma to Montgomery, he orates a speech entitled "Our God is Marching On."

1967



In what is known to be his most controversial speech, "Beyond Vietnam, a time to break the Silence," he condemns the Vietnam War.

1968



In his last speech, "I've Been to the Mountaintop," he addresses sanitation workers on strike in Memphis, Tennessee.

Northwest Arkansas MLK Council's 28th Annual MLK Holiday Celebration January 12-14, 2024.

This Celebration offers a range of events and activities, including the Beloved Community Festival, 2024 Recommitment Celebration, Community Service Project, MLK Memorial Program, MLK Dreamkeepers Breakfast, MLK Dreamkeepers & U of A Intercollegiate Athlete Engagement, NWA MLK Freedom March, and University of Arkansas Vigil.

The Celebration is a great opportunity to honor the life and legacy of Martin Luther King Jr., the face of the African American civil rights movement throughout the 1960s until his assassination on April 4, 1968. The United Methodist Church recognizes the right of individuals to dissent when acting under the constraint of conscience and, after having exhausted all legal recourse, to resist or disobey laws that they deem to be unjust or that are discriminately enforced. Therefore, many United Methodists joined King in his march toward equality, and in his wake, those United Methodist voices continued to advocate for justice for all, as their faith called them to.

I encourage you to consider how you might continue the work and hearts of our forebearers of joining King's shared dream. Whether you attend the Annual Freedom March on Monday, January 15th, 2024, or the MLK Gathering Day at St. Paul's Episcopal from 1-3p, there are many ways for you to participate and be a part of this meaningful Celebration.

Check out the link provided to learn more! -Rev. Chase

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