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# Legacy Awards and Drum Major Service

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The following community leaders will be recognized: The Rev. W. Mark Knutson of Augustana Lutheran Church; Andrew and Hermann Colas, Colas Construction; Michael R. Booker Sr., the Miracles Recovery Club; musician and artist Michael Allen Harrison; Sam Sachs & Noho Marchesi of Breaking Bread/Breaking Barriers; the Native American Youth & Family Center; and educator and community activist Dr. Joyce Harris.

The following senior high school students will be honored and receive scholarships: Gigi Karimu of DeLaSalle North Catholic; Elijah Hudson of Helensview; Sarah Steele of Jefferson; Kenneth Kimmons

of Rosemary Anderson; Tosa Kitungano of Roosevelt and Gavin Fortner of Second Home.

Shabazz, a lifetime ambassador for peace as appointed by the Prime Minister of Belize will be making her first Portland appearance for the MLK service. Mayor Wheeler and other public officials will give greetings as will inter-faith leaders. The Pacific Youth Choir under the direction of Mia Hall will perform.

Vancouver Avenue is one of Portland's historic venues and the only church in Oregon where Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. addressed the "Beloved Community" in November 1961 as part of his trip to the Pacific Northwest during the Civil Rights Movement.

When asked about the

meaning of the church's MLK events against the current social and political backdrop, Pastor J.W. Matt Hennessee, said, "In times like these, it is imperative that we gather as community to work together, celebrate together, and collaborate together to ensure a vibrant, inclusive, and constructive future. The spirit and legacy of Dr. King, Mrs. King, Mrs. Parks, President Mandela, Malcolm X and so many who came before us is what gives us encouragement and hope that we will overcome the difficulties, stresses, and strains of now and continue to build the 'Beloved Community.'"

For tickets and more information, call the church office at 503-282-9496 or visit [vafb-cpdx.org](http://vafb-cpdx.org).

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