

**LACROSSE INTERFAITH JUSTICE AND PEACE NETWORK**  
**January 11, 2016 St. Paul's Lutheran Church/Youth Room**

**WELCOME:** Attending: Bonnie Pickett, Daoud Jandal, June Kjome, Vince Hatt, Madeline Kepner, Bridget Olson, Kent Johnson, Lois Durall, Steve Man, Harvey Witzenburg

**OPENING MEDITATION:** Kent shared the "Declaration on the Way", which asks us to celebrate what we have in common with one another and living together as neighbors.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of November 9, 2015

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Bonnie: \$260.76.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The January 18 Martin Luther King Celebration at Viterbo was reviewed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Bishop Arends letter in the Tribune/Muslim Support Program: Daoud Jandal was our guest. He shared that the Bishop's letter and a visit from Ron Kind to the mosque were inspiring and gave hope during a time when the Muslim faith was being attacked. We discussed ways to support Muslims in our community. We are going to begin with a meeting of some of the Muslim leaders and some members of our group to see what steps we might take.

Support for WISDOM/Tipping Point Campaign: This is an effort from our parent organization, Wisconsin Network for Peace, to push for grassroots racial justice action. Attendees were provided information and this effort will be discussed at the next meeting.

Poverty film: Vince talked about the film on Poverty that was shown recently in La Crosse with the idea of sponsoring films on other topics for people in our area.

Letter/Editorial Writing: especially gun control. Let's keep this effort going.

**Next Meeting:** March 14. Vince will lead the meeting.