Peacemaking dialogue requires taking a risk. We engage in dialogue because we don’t know everything. We need one another to learn other perspectives and insights. There is a risk we might change our mind in dialogue. Dialogue for peacemaking assumes that this risk is at the very heart of the work...a process of engaging with people as whole human beings and respecting differences and commonalities. Scholar-practitioner Dr. Susan Allen will explore peacemaking dialogue as it is practiced internationally and locally. Her talk will include the spiritual aspects of peacemaking dialogue and the roles of faith communities. Participants will be invited to consider the humanism inherent in dialogue practice, and to reflect on their own opportunities for engaging in dialogue.

Allen recently contributed the chapter, *Modes of Peacemaking Dialogue* to "Peacebuilding Through Dialogue: Education, Human Transformation, and Conflict Resolution" with foreword by Daisaku Ikeda. This lecture is part of a series of events to help promote the rich dialogue and transformative learning highlighted in the book as essential for building peace.

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