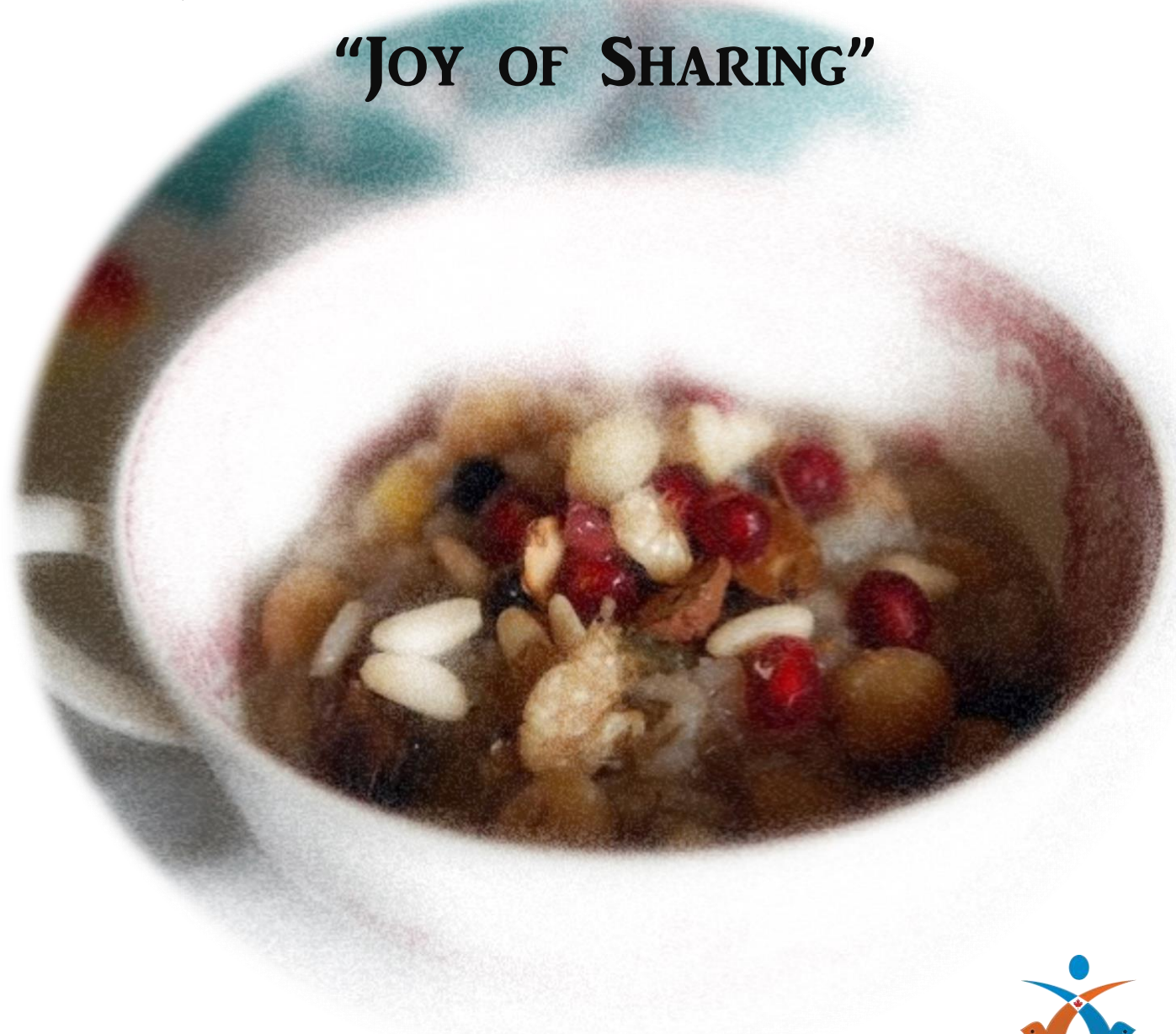




WORLD INTERFAITH HARMONY WEEK

**NOAH'S PUDDING
AT ST. ALBERT UNITED CHURCH
"JOY OF SHARING"**



**FEBRUARY 5, 2017
SUNDAY**



**INTERCULTURAL
DIALOGUE
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Intercultural Dialogue Institute (IDI) Edmonton and St. Albert United Church celebrated World Interfaith Harmony Week by sharing Noah`s Pudding with congregation during the Sunday sermon on February 5th, 2017.

Noah`s Pudding (Ashure) is a Turkish dessert that is made of a mixture consisting of grains, fresh and dried fruits and nuts. It is usually served with cinnamon and it has no animal product. It is made all the year and served especially during Muharram, the first month of Islamic calender. Traditionally, Noah`s Pudding is made in large quantities and is distributed to friends, relatives, neighbours, regardless of the recipients` religion as an offering of love and peace.

As IDI Edmonton, we continue this custom in Canada by sharing this pudding with everyone.

Rev. Gallant also presented valentines to IDI Edmonton volunteers. As IDI Edmonton, we are very grateful to Rev. Mervin Gallant and to church community for opening doors to your Muslim brothers and sisters. Many thanks for offering us love.

Brief notes from Rev. Gallant`s Sermon: Hope may not be the first attribute we consider given the current mood in the world, however as people of faith we know it is our calling to live love in our personal relationships and justice in our communal relationships with all people. In order to do that we have to get to know one another. On individual level, love is about how we treat individuals. On community level, love is about justice.