

Updated Event Itinerary – Songs for the Silenced

Event: Songs for the Silenced: A Candlelight Vigil & Protest Against Gun Violence

Date: Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Location: City Hall, Philadelphia

Time: 7:00–8:00 PM

Event Itinerary

6:30 PM – Arrival & Candle Distribution

Volunteers and attendees arrive. Candles are handed out. Soft instrumental or ambient music plays.

7:00 PM – Opening Remarks (5 min)

Welcome by host Dominique Tyree Travis-Bey. Brief land acknowledgment and a moment of silence.

7:05 PM – Opening Song (4–5 min)

Choir 1 performs a reflective piece to set the tone.

7:10 PM – Survivor Testimony or Advocate Statement (5 min)

Short story or message from a survivor or activist.

7:15 PM – Choir 2 Performance (5-10 min)

choir 2 performs a selected reflective or justice-themed song (2–5 min each).

7:25 PM – Candlelight Ceremony & Names (10 min)

Names of victims read aloud as audience lights candles. Optionally accompanied by soft humming or background vocals.

7:35 PM – Choir 3 Performance (5-10 min)

Epiphany Singers will perform 1-2 selected pieces (2-5 min each).

7:45 PM - Call to Action (5 min)

Clear, empowering message encouraging attendees to take further action (e.g., support legislation, sign petitions).

7:50 PM – Final Collaborative Song (5 min)

All choirs join together in singing 'In Remembrance' by Eleanor Daley.

7:55 PM – Closing Words & Reflection (5 min)

Thank you message from organizer. Guests invited to reflect at memorial altar or wall.

