

Congregational Resources

NWWA SYNOD
ANTI-RACISM COMMITTEE



This committee's purpose is to inform and educate the congregations of our synod about racism and white privilege. Our committee provides anti-racism training, is a resource for ELCA materials concerning white privilege and racism, networks and coordinates with other ELCA synods, interfaith and community groups. We do all this to be advocates for racial justice and to empower our synod congregation members to become anti-racist allies and advocates.



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Congregational Ideas

ELCA Study Materials guide congregations to simply talk about racism. The ELCA has both videos and study materials for adults and youth. Format can be mid-week small groups, retreat studies or for Sunday educational hours. Titles include:

The Family of God: video and guide for Pre-Adolescents

You Can't Do It Alone: Fighting Racism video and study guide

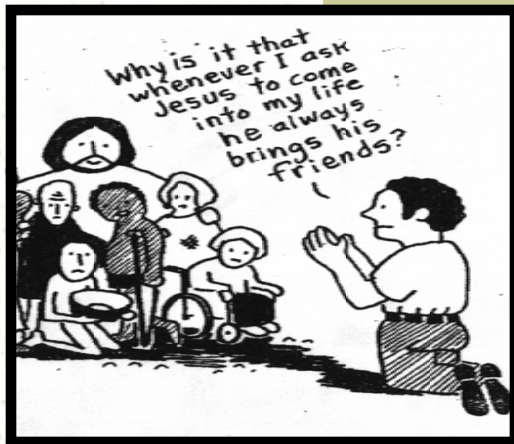
No Hate Allowed: A Resource for Action Against Racial Hate Crimes

God's People Building Bridges

Freed in Christ: Study Guide on the ELCA Social Statement for Race Ethnicity and Culture.

Even the Stones Will Cry Out For Justice

Regarding Bridges : A Youth Sensitivity Training – produced by LHRA.



Worship Resources:

Bulletin Inserts

Prayer Petitions

Multi-Cultural Hymn Selections

Bridges of Human Community — one day congregational/cluster anti-racism training led by ELCA ELCA trained facilitators OR

Regarding Bridges: Needing Building Crossing—six week small group study of the day long training.

Troubling the Waters for the Healing of the Church: A church year journey for white Christians from privilege to partnership.

Women of the ELCA Anti-Racism Training – "Today's Dream: Tomorrow's Reality" Anti-Racism curriculum led by WELCA trained facilitators.

Sunday Adult Forum Introduction— a committee member leads a brief introduction to the *Bridges of Human Community* curriculum.

Individual or Small Group Study Resources:

Reading and Audio/Video Lists can be found on the last page of this website.

Anti-Racism

Publications/Websites

The Scanner – Weekly Newspaper published by African-American Committee

Colors NW – Monthly magazine published to illuminate issues relevant to Northwest communities of color.

Teaching Tolerance – Semi-annual magazine sent to educators by Southern Poverty Law Center. Website: www.tolerance.org

Real Change – Bi-weekly newspaper to raise awareness of the poor and homeless

Diversity News – Monthly newspaper serving a diverse marketplace.

Vanguard – newspaper published by Lutheran Human Relations Association

RaceMatters.org

Lutheran Resources/Contacts



Commission for Multi-Cultural Ministries/Racial Justice Ministries:

Chicago: 800-638-3522

Rev. Fred Rajan Executive Director ext. 2840

Christine May Racial Justice Ministries ext. 2835

Washington State/Region 1: 206-624-0093

Stacy Kitihata ext. 115

Women of the ELCA: Anti-Racism Committee:

Chicago: 800-638-3522 ext. 2745

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Lutheran Immigrant and Refugee Service (LIRS):

Baltimore: Ralston Deffenbaugh 410-230-2700

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Crossroads Ministry:

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Chicago: 773-638-0166 email: www.xroads@igc.apc.org

Lutheran Human Resources Association (LHRA):

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web: www.lhra.org e-mail: www.vanguard@lhra.org

Interfaith/Community Resource Groups

<u>Names</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>E-Mail</u>
Church Council of Greater Seattle	206-525-1213x4500	paulaharris-white@msn.com
Episcopal Church in Western Washington	206-325-4200	olympia.anglican.org
African-Am/Jewish Coalition for Justice	206-781-6654	aajcj@scn.org
Coalition of Anti-Racism Whites	206-586-4009x115	dellaleber@prodigy.net
Hate Free Zone of Wash. Campaign	205-723-2203	ibrahim@hatefreezone.org
Seattle Young People's Project	206-860-9606	sypp@drizzle.com
United to End Racism	206-284-0311	ircc@rc.org/uer
University Friends Meeting	206-861-0227	ufm@juno.com
Urban Enterprise Center	206-389-7337	seattlechamber.com/uec
White Woman Organizing Against Racism	206-760-0315	
Coalition to Undo Racism Everywhere	206-610-0463	
Students Together Against Racism	206-524-7908	chbrooke@drizzle.com
Peoples Institute For Survival & Beyond	504-944-2354	
American Arab Anti-Discrimination Comm.		Capwiz.com/adc/home
Pacific NW Conference of United Methodist Church	206-728-7462	kristinago@aol.com

Suggested Video List

Eyes on the Prize, produced by PBS: Blackside Inc. Directed by Judith Vecchinoni

The Promised Land, The Discovery Channel, Executive Producer, Roy Davis

River People: Behind the Case of David Sohappy, Filmmakers Library.

Winds of Change, produced by PBS.

Picture Bride, produced by Miramax Films in association with Thousand Cranes Filmworks, directed by Kayo Hatta.

Stolen Ground, directed by Le Mun Wah and Linsey Jang. Styr-Fry Productions.

The Color of Honor, Vox Productions, directed, produced and written by Loni Ding

The Arabs, Who They Are, Who They Are Not, Public Affairs Television Inc., produced by Betsy McCarthy and Andie Tucher, directed by Andrew Carl Wilk.

Tales from Arabs in Detroit, produced by the Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Service.

Chicano: History of the Mexican American Civil Rights Movement, National Latino Communications Center and Galan Communications produced by Sylvia Morales.

Mi Puerto Rico! My Puerto Rico, Ortiz/Simon Productions, directed by Sharon Simon.

A Class Divided, Frontline PUBS Video. Produced and directed by Williams Peters.

True Colors, ABC News Video, produced by Mark Lukasiewicz and Eugenia Harvey.

Religion and Race in America: Martin Luther King's LamentPrejudice: Dividing The Dream

General Public Released Movies:

A Lesson Before Dying	Long Walk Home	American Beauty
Mulan	American History X	Amistad
Philadelphia	Beloved	Pleasantville
Black Robe	Remember the Titans	Boys Don't Cry
Sankofa	Boys In The Hood	Smoke Signals

Watch these videos and ask yourself the following questions:

What struck you as you watched this video?

How were experiences in the video similar or different to your own?

How does this video make you think about life, other people and yourself differently?

What is the pain and cost of oppressive behavior for targeted and non-targeted groups?

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Suggested Reading List

Barndt, Joseph. Dismantling Racism: The Continuing Challenge to White America. Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress, 1991.

Bell, Derrick. Faces at the Bottom of the Well: The Permanence of Racism. New York: Basic Books, 1992

Bradt, Kevin. Story as a Way of Knowing. Kansas City: Sheed & Ward, 1997.

Brown, Dee. Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee: An Indian History of the American West. New York: Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1971

Coleman, Jonathan. Long Way To Go: Black & White in America. New York: Atlantic Monthly Press, 1997

Davies, Susan. Ending Racism in the Church. Cleveland: United Church Press, 1998.

De Young, Curtiss. Reconciliation: Our Greatest Challenge-Our Only Hope. Valley Forge: Judson Press, 1997

Gomes, Peter. The Good Book. New York: William Morrow and Co, Inc. 1996.

Hacker, Andrew. Two nations: Black and White, Separate, Hostile, Unequal. New York: Ballantine Books, 1995.

Ignatiev, Noel. How the Irish Became White. New York: Routedledge Press, 1995.

Isasi-Diaz, Ada Maria and Yolanda Tarango. Hispanic Women: Prophetic Voices in the Church. San Francisco: Harper & Row, 1988.

Kivel, Paul. Uprooting Racism. Philadelphia: New Society Publishers, 1996.

Law, Eric. The Wolf Shall Dwell with the Lamb. St. Louis: Chalice Press, 1993.

Takaki, Ronald. A Different Mirror. Boston: Little Brown and Co., 1994

Takaki, Ronald. Strangers from a Different Shore: A History of Asian Americans. Boston: Little Brown and Co., 1989

Takaki, Ronald. A Different Mirror: A History of Multicultural America. Boston: Little Brown and Co., 1993

Thandeka. Learning to be White: Money, Race and God in America. New York: Continuum Publishing Company, 1999.

Weatherford, Jack. Indian Givers: How the Indians of the Americas Transformed the World. New York: Ballantine Books, 1988.

West, Cornel. Race Matters. New York: First Vintage Books Edition, 1993

West, Cornel. Prophetic Reflections: Notes on Race and Power in America

Zinn, Howard. A People's History of the United States. New York: HarperCollins, Publishers, Inc., 1995

Rosenblatt, Elihu. Criminal Injustice

Haney-Lopez, Ian. White by Law

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Prayer Partners Network

visit www.elca.org, Anti-Racism Ministry.

Anti-Racism Advocacy-

- ◆ *Letter Writing to State and Federal Representatives
Phone/fax/E-mails to same.*
- ◆ *For Yourself: Intentionally discover and get to know (establish a relationship) people of color in your neighborhood. If there are none, be intentional about learning about other cultures, availing yourself to multi-cultural opportunities in your community and in your church.*
- ◆ *For Your Congregation: Be intentional about contacting and begin to have conversations about race. Worship with a congregation of color in your community. Initiate and ask a facilitator to come to your congregation to have a dialog on race and how your congregation can be more active in multicultural ministry.*
- ◆ *For Your Children: Examine the "diversity profile" of your children's friends. Expand the circle by helping your children develop new relationships with children of color and differently-abled.*
- ◆ *For Your School: Ask your school's principal/faculty representative what policies/plans it has for "Teaching Tolerance" curriculum. If none, contact this committee for resources.*

- ◆ The NW Washington Synod Anti-Racism Committee knows there may be more resources, groups, & websites fighting Racism not listed here. Please accept our apology for any omissions. If you know of any other information, please contact this committee with those updates. Thank you.
- ◆ Many thanks to Rev. Dan Erlander for contributing his artwork.