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Racial Justice Resources

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Statements from the PC(USA)

Stated Clerk remembers recent victims of racial violence (8 min. video) – May 29, 2020

Stated Clerk: 'No longer can we hide behind not being controversial' – June 3, 2020

PMA President/Executive Director Diane Moffett statement on recent protests and shootings – June 3, 2020

Presbyterian Foundation President Tom Taylor statement – June 2, 2020 Mid council leaders speak out: A collection of PC(USA) expressions of grief, lament, outrage, challenge, conviction, repentance and commitment — along with resources for learning and action.

"We Stand." Mid council and other church leaders share their hearts and prayers as the nation struggles (2 min. video)

Worship Resources

A Prayer in a Time of Anger, Unrest and Injustice (includes original hymn) – June 1, 2020

Proclaiming Unity, Reconciliation and Justice (2 min video from Mid-Kentucky Presbytery) –

June 4, 2020

Peacemaking Virtual Choir Project, "This Is My Song" (3 min. video)

"We Stand Arm in Arm," video prayer from the Synod of the Northeast (4 min.) – May 31, 2020 Matthew 25: Dismantling Structural Racism — Definition, Theology, Scripture Structural racism resources from the Book of Confessions and Directory for Worship (includes hymn suggestions)

Sermon: the biblical foundation for our antiracism work by the Rev. Samuel Son

We Choose Welcome campaign

Just Worship: The Documentary (33 min. film)

Policy Statements

"Facing Racism: A Vision of the Intercultural Community" — PC(USA) churchwide antiracism policy, approved by the 222nd General Assembly (2016). | Companion study guide.

The Belhar Confession – added to the Book of Confessions by the 222nd General Assembly (2016). | Study guide.

Recommended Books

"Good White Racist? Confronting Your Role in Racial Injustice" by Kerry Connelly (March 2020)

"For Beautiful Black Boys Who Believe in a Better World" by Michael W. Waters (coming September 2020) - *Preorder*. | Free discussion and activity guide.

"Ten Essential Strategies for Becoming a Multiracial Congregation" by Jacqueline J. Lewis and John Janka (March 2018)

"Brian the Brave" by Paul Stewart and Jane Porter (August 2019) – children's book

"No Innocent Bystanders: Becoming an Ally in the Struggle for Justice" by Shannon Craigo-Snell and Christopher Doucot (October 2017)

"Anxious to Talk About It: Helping White Christians Talk Faithfully about Racism" by Carolyn B. Helsel (February 2018)

"Race in a Post-Obama America: The Church Responds" by David Maxwell and Otis Moss III (May 2016)

"Waking Up White, and Finding Myself in the Story of Race" by Debby Irving (January 2014)

Study, Training and Discussion Materials

Matthew 25: Dismantling structural racism. | Selected resources.

PC(USA)'s Facing Racism website and resources

Racial Equity & Women's Intercultural Ministries webpage

Racial Equity and Cultural Humility resources from Presbyterian Women, Inc.

"White Privilege": One-session adult study, part of the Racism Study Pack from The Thoughtful Christian. | Participant's handout. | Leader's guide. | Purchase "Racism Study Pack."

"Responding to Racism": One-session youth study from The Thoughtful Christian. | Participant's handout. | Leader's guide.

Talking About Race, National Museum of African American History & Culture of the Smithsonian Institution

Antiracism resources especially for white people

Another resource list for white people in the journey of antiracism

COVID at the Margins: Discussion series focusing on communities of color. | Facebook Live page.

Advocacy and Social Justice resources

The Bail Project – resources relating to ending the cash bail system

Documentaries from Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for screening and discussion, including "Flint: The Poisoning of an American City," "To Breathe Free," "Locked in a Box" and "Trigger."

Articles

Current news stories — PC(USA)

More news stories — Presbyterian Mission Agency

"Two advocacy committees call on PC(USA) to recommit to struggle for racial justice" (Racial

Equity Advocacy Cmte and Advocacy Cmte for Women's Concerns) – May 28, 2020

"6 Ways White People Can Dismantle White Supremacy," Unbound – May 26, 2020

"How should we protest, and why?" – June 3, 2020

"We fall to our knees with you: A statement from the National Middle Eastern Presbyterian Caucus" – June 2, 2020