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## Resources from the "4PM: One in Christ" Gathering April 30-May 1 Wisconsin Dells

## Keynote Resources

Slides from Bruce Reyes-Chow's Keynote "In Defense of Kindness: The Power of Treating Humans Like Humans" <u>https://www.slideshare.net/breyeschow/4pm-keynote-slides-on-race-in-defense-of-kindness</u>

### **Recommended Books**

- <u>Waking Up White: and finding myself in the story of race</u>, by Debby Irving (2014) This is the book the PCUSA moderators have challenged congregations to read and discuss. For resources on this book and study guides for congregation discussion: <u>http://www.debbyirving.com/the-book/</u>
- <u>China Doll: A Novel</u>, by Lisa See (2014), Random House, New York
   This book is reflective of the background stories that our keynote presenters (Bruce and Christine) shared about their family histories. A story of three women that is reflective of the lives of both
   Chinese and Japanese people who were American citizens in the early 20th century.

### Workshop Resources

"Learning to Fly: How to have difficult conversation in your ministry setting" Ied by Linda Kuhn and Dave King All resources from this workshop are available here: <u>http://www.sandburconsulting.com/learningtofly.html</u>

"Do Your Child/Youth/Vulnerable Adult Policies Really Protect?" led by Marilyn Paulson and Gina Struensee Resources available from PCUSA that provide guidelines for developing policies that are now mandated through action of both the 221st and 222nd GA in 2014 and 2016.

1) From the Insurance Board

a) Safe Conduct Workbench: <u>www.insuranceboard.org/safetyresources/SafeconductWorkbench</u>

- b) Background checks, creating policies, 800# for response and reporting
- 2) Creating Safe Ministries:

www.presbyterianmission.org/legal-resources/creating-safe-ministries

3) A guide for Creating Child and Youth Protection Policies:

www.oga.pcusa.org/site media/media/uploads/oga/pdf/mid council ministries/creating child & youth pro tection policies.pdf

4) The PCUSA's Child/Youth/Vulnerable Adult Protection Policy and Its Procedures (note this was approved by 222nd GA for all PCUSA sponsored events such as Triennium, or national conference events. Synods, Presbyteries, and local congregations now need to also develop their own policies. In addition to sexual assault policies there must be policies and procedures to protect children, youth, and vulnerable adults. This policy serves as an example (per the previous resource 'A Guide for Creating...') for other levels of councils within the denomination.

www.presbyterianmission.org/wp-content/uploads/Child-Youth-Vulnerable-Adult-Protection-Policy-Approved-by-GA-2016.pdf

## "On Behalf of Our Children: Wisconsin's Racial Disparities and the Call of the Gospel" led by Scott Anderson

Download the study guide, and explore related resources here:

http://www.wichurches.org/programs-and-ministries/on-behalf-of-our-children-wisconsins-racial-disparitiesand-the-call-of-the-gospel/

## "Loving our Interfaith Neighbors"

## led by Kathleen Owens

Download the study guide, and explore related resources here: <u>http://www.wichurches.org/programs-and-ministries/interfaith/</u> PCUSA Interreligious Stance is available here: <u>https://www.pcusa.org/resource/interreligious-stance-adopted-221st-general-assemb/</u>

## "Global Mission Ministry"

## Led by Susan Gilbert Zencka and Jeffrey Todd

A full Powerpoint presentation from this workshop is available upon request.

# "White Folks' Work: Engaging Race and Racism"

## led by Mark Koeing

See information on the following pages:

## Working for Racial Justice

- Find ourselves in the story of race. Explore our racial autobiography. Debby Irving's book, Waking Up White provides a model. The Rev. Denise Anderson and the Rev. Jan Edmiston, co-moderators of the 222<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly (2016) have invited the church to read and discuss the book. <u>http://oqa.pcusa.org/section/ecclesial-and-ecumenical-</u> <u>ministries/mod/one-church-one-book/</u>
- Use the study guide, On Behalf of Our Children: Wisconsin's Racial Disparities and the Call of the Gospel, from the Wisconsin Council of Churches. <u>http://www.wichurches.org/programs-and-ministries/on-behalf-of-our-children-wisconsins-racial-disparities-and-the-call-of-the-gospel/</u>
- The Dear White Christians initiative of Auburn Seminary suggests five commitments for racial justice along with suggested resources. Learn more at <a href="http://auburnseminary.org/dear-white-christians/">http://auburnseminary.org/dear-white-christians/</a>. This list is slightly adapted.
  - Learn about our nation's racial history.
    - Read Lies My Teacher Told Me by James Loewen and The New Jim Crow by Michelle Alexander.
  - Break out of white self-segregation.
    - Intentionally seek out regular social experiences in which you are a racial minority: restaurants, cultural events, political meetings, church services, or volunteer opportunities.
    - Use businesses owned by people of color whenever possible for your goods and services; commit to shopping in neighborhoods other than your own if that is necessary for you to do this.
  - Educate ourselves about the hopes, fears, and desires of people of color today.
    - Include a range of voices addressing race in U.S. politics, economics, popular culture, and civil society in your social media networks.
    - Regularly seek out substantive works of art and popular culture that focus on the lives and experiences of people of color (e.g., watch "Black-ish" or "Jane the Virgin" on TV, see the films *Moonlight, Fences, 13th.*
  - Engage and challenge racism in white social circles
    - Use the Southern Poverty Law Center's resource to respond to racist jokes, or stereotypes in a variety of settings. <u>https://www.splcenter.org/20150126/speak-responding-everyday-bigotry</u>
    - Become an advocate for the Black Lives Matter movement in white circles, engaging white people who have misconceptions or outright resistance about the movement and its goals and methods. Here's a helpful resource to get you started: "The Black Lives Matter Movement Explained in Under 10 Minutes." <u>http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/the-black-lives-mattermovement-explained-in-under-10-minutes\_us\_57892f26e4b0867123e12f0b</u>
  - Prepare for Public Action
    - Sign Auburn Seminary's "5 Commitments for White Christians" pledge and invite social networks to do the same by posting the link, indicating you have signed, and urging your friends and followers to do the same. <u>https://auburnseminary.org/dear-white-christians/</u>
    - Connect with Showing Up For Racial Justice (SURJ), or a similar organizing and advocacy group directly or through social media to learn more about how white people can organize for racial justice. Learn if there is a chapter of SURJ near you. <u>http://www.showingupforracialjustice.org/</u>

Learn about privilege, <u>http://www.whiteprivilegeconference.com/pdf/WPC17-What-is-Privilege.pdf</u>, and how we can confront it <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTvU7uUgjUI&feature=youtu.be</u>

#### Antiracism/Racial Justice/Belhar Confession Resources Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Resources

#### PC(USA) Antiracism/Racial Justice Policy

Facing Racism: A Vision of the Intercultural Community, approved by the 222<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly (2016) <u>https://www.presbyterianmission.org/resource/facing-racism-vision-intercultural-community-churchwide-antiracism-policy/.</u>

#### PC(USA) Antiracism/Racial Justice Studies, Devotions, and Books

Facing Racism: A Vision of the Intercultural Community Study Guides <u>https://www.presbyterianmission.org/resource/facing-racism-vision-intercultural-community-antiracism-study-guides/</u>.

*Waking Up White: Finding Myself in the Story of Race*, Debby Irving (Elephant Room Press) Available from Amazon.com. Note: while not produced by the PC(USA), this is the book the co-moderators of the 222<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly (2016) are encouraging Presbyterians to read. Find a study guide and related resources at <u>http://oga.pcusa.org/section/ecclesial-and-eccumenical-ministries/mod/one-church-one-book/</u>.

Living the Gospel of Peace: Tools for Building More Inclusive Community, Eric Law (Presbyterian Peacemaking Program). PDS#: 7027004014. Available at store.pcusa.org.

Practicing God's Radical Hospitality: Exploring Difference, Change and Leadership through the Spiritual Discipline of Hospitality, Teresa Chávez Sauceda (Presbyterian Women). PDS#: PWR13060 Available at store.pcusa.org.

Race in a Post-Obama America, edited by David Maxwell (Westminster John Knox Press). Available from thethoughtfulchristian.com.

Microaggressions in Ministry: Confronting the Hidden Violence of Everyday Church, Cody J. Sanders and Angela Yarber (Westminster John Knox Press) Available from pcusastore.com.

Facing Racism: In Search of the Beloved Community, Lonna Lee (Presbyterian Peacemaking Program). PDS#: 7027098002. Designed for youth. Available at store.pcusa.org.

### PC(USA) Web Pages

Facing Racism - <u>https://facing-racism.pcusa.org/</u>. This Web page provides links to resources, including studies, books, and training, to equip the church for antiracism work.

One Church One Book - <u>http://oga.pcusa.org/section/ecclesial-and-ecumenical-ministries/mod/one-church-one-book/</u>. This Web page provides resources and conversation-starters for the book *Waking Up White*, which the Co-Moderators of the 222nd General Assembly (2016), the Rev. Denise Anderson and the Rev. Jan Edmiston invite the church to read and discuss.

Engaging Belhar - <u>http://oga.pcusa.org/section/mid-council-ministries/constitutional-services/belhar/</u>. This Web page provides translations of the Belhar Confession in English, Korean, and Spanish as well as video and print resources for understanding and using the confession.

#### The Belhar Confession

*The Confession of Belhar* (Being Reformed – Faith Seeking Understanding), Cynthia Holder Rich (Congregational Ministries Publishing). Participant's book and leader's guide. Available at pcusastore.com.

Race and Reconciliation: Workbook – Confessions of 1967 and Belhar (Being Reformed – Faith Seeking Understanding), Clifton Kirkpatrick (Congregational Ministries Publishing). Available at pcusastore.com.

30 Days with the Belhar Confession (Presbyterian Peacemaking Program). PDS#: 2435816004 Available at store.pcusa.org.

Lenten Reflections on The Confession of Belhar, Kerri N. Allen and Donald K. McKim (Westminster John Knox Press) Available at pcusastore.com

#### For more information, contact

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#### **Books (a limited selection)**

Alexander, Michelle, The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness, New York: The New Press, 2012.

Barber, William, II, *The Third Reconstruction: How a Moral Movement Is Overcoming the Politics of Division and Fear*, Boston: Beacon Press, 2016.

Cone, James H., The Cross and the Lynching Tree, Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 2013.

Crass, Chris, *Towards the "Other America": Anti-racist Resources for White People Taking Action for Black Lives Matter*, St. Louis: Chalice Press, 2015.

Douglas, Kelly Brown, Stand Your Ground: Black Bodies and the Justice of God, Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 2015

Dunbar-Oriz, Roxanne, An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States, Boston: Beacon Press, 2015.

Dyson, Eric Michael, Tears We Cannot Stop: A Sermon to White America, New York: St. Martin's Press, 2017.

Gonzalez, Juan, Harvest of Empire: A History of Latinos in America, Revised Edition, New York: Penguin Books, 2011.

Harvey, Jennifer, Dear White Christians: For Those Still Longing for Racial Reconciliation, Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2014.

Hill, Marc Lamont, Nobody: Casualties of America's War on the Vulnerable, from Ferguson to Flint and Beyond, New York: Atria Books, 2016.

Kim, Grace Ji-Sun, Embracing the Other: The Transformative Spirit of Love, Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2015.

Loewen, James, Lies My Teacher Told Me, New York: Touchstone, 2007.

López, Ian Haney, *Dog Whistle Politics: How Coded Racial Appeals Have Reinvented Racism and Wrecked the Middle Class*, New York: Oxford University Press, 2015.

Ray, Stephen G., Jr., Do No Harm: Social Sin and Christian Responsibility, Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2003.

Takaki, Ronald, *Strangers from a Different Shore: A History of Asian Americans*, Updated and Revised Edition, New York: Little, Brown and Company, 1998.

Tatum, Beverly Daniel, "Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria?": And Other Conversations about Race, New York: Basic Books, 2003.

Wallis, Jim, America's Original Sin: Racism, White Privilege, and the Bridge to a New America, Ada: Brazos Press, 2016.

Wise, Tim, Colorblind: The Rise of Post-Racial Politics and the Retreat from Racial Equality, San Francisco: City Lights Publishers, 2010.

#### Videos (a limited selection)

Race: The Power of an Illusion, www.pbs.org/race

Jane Elliott's Blue Eyes Brown Eyes Exercise, www.janeelliott.com

#### Web pages (a limited selection)

Kaleidoscope Institute, www.kaleidoscopeinstitute.org, find Eric H.F. Law books here

Verge Series, <u>https://www.youtube.com/user/WorldTrustTV</u>

Race Forward, https://www.youtube.com/user/racialjustice

MTV News Decoded, <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MDUekTyDABY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MDUekTyDABY</a>

Dear White Christians Initiative, Auburn Seminary, http://auburnseminary.org/dear-white-christians/

Southern Poverty Law Center, *Speak Up: Responding to Everyday Bigotry*, <u>https://www.splcenter.org/20150126/speak-responding-everyday-bigotry</u>

# Must-follow Voices on Race in America Auburn Seminary

https://auburnseminary.org/must-follow-voices-race-america/

NOTE: The names are live links.

# **News and Opinion Outlets**

- <u>Angry Asian Man</u>
- Atlanta Black Star
- Black Women's Blueprint
- <u>Blavity</u>
- <u>Code Switch</u>
- <u>Colorlines</u>
- <u>For Harriet</u>
- <u>Fusion</u>
- Latino Rebels
- <u>The Grio</u>
- <u>The Root</u>
- <u>VerySmartBrothas</u>

# **Individual Voices**

- <u>Traci Blackmon</u>
- Jamelle Bouie
- <u>J. Kameron Carter</u>
- <u>Ta-Nehisi Coates</u>
- Dream Hampton
- <u>Lisa Sharon Harper</u>
- <u>Valarie Kaur</u>
- <u>Shaun King</u>
- Jacqui Lewis
- <u>Wesley Lowery</u>
- Otis Moss III
- <u>Michael-Ray Mathews</u>
- <u>Yolanda Pierce</u>

# **Organizations and Networks**

- <u>18 Million Rising</u>
- Black Lives Matter
- <u>Color of Change</u>
- <u>Council on American-Islamic Relations</u> (CAIR)
- National Council of La Raza (NCLR)
- <u>Race Forward</u>
- Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ)
- <u>The Sikh Coalition</u>