

## RACISM

a belief or doctrine that insignificant differences among the various human races determine cultural or individual achievement, usually involving the idea that one's own race is superior

## ANTI-RACISM

a conscious decision to make frequent, consistent, equitable choices daily

### Suggested Online Resources:

<https://elca.org/Our-Work/Publicly-Engaged-Church/Racial-Justice-Ministries>

<https://embracerace.org/resources/where-to-find-diverse-childrens-books>

Facebook.com/HiddenHeritage2000

Facebook.com/OfficialBerniceKing

## RACIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY NETWORK

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*What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God. -Micah 6:8*

*There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male or female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. -Galatians 3:27*

The synod Racial Justice Advocacy Network would like to offer some resources for individuals and congregations for educating ourselves around racism. Racism is a topic we **all** can be having conversations around; no matter the ethnic make-up of our congregations or communities. We hope the content of this insert will help spark conversations among families, congregations, friends and co-workers; to inspire more awareness of racism and work toward anti-racism.

### ELCA Resources:

- \* Explanation of the Declaration of the ELCA to People of African Decent – Adopted by the ELCA Church Council in 2019, <https://elca.org> ; for use as individuals and small discussion groups.
- \* Strategy Toward Authentic Diversity Booklet – Adopted at the ELCA Churchwide Assembly 2019, <https://elca.org> ; for use by as congregation councils and small discussion groups.
- \* Troubling the Waters for Healing of the Church – Copyright 2004, <https://elca.org> ; for large discussion groups.
- \* Small Catechism with African Decent Reflections – Augsburg Fortress 2019; for use in adult and youth study groups
- \* Dear Church: A Love Letter From A Black Preacher To The Whitest Denomination in the U.S. – Augsburg Fortress 2019; for use as individuals or adult and youth study groups

### General Resources:

- \* Luther's Small Catechism : An Exposition of the Christian Faith in Asian Contexts and Cultures – Christian World Prints, 2019; for use in adult and youth study groups
- \* Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery – <https://dofdmenno.org> , 2014; for use in adult study groups
- \* White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack by Peggy McIntosh – 1990; for use as individuals or in adult and youth study groups
- \* The Color of Compromise by Jemar Tisby, 2019; for use as individuals or in adult and youth study groups
- \* Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You by Jason Reynolds and Ibrham X. Kendi, 2020; for youth and young adults