

**Anti-Racism and White Privilege Resources**  
**Doing the Work: Confronting and Addressing Our Role in Systemic Racism**

*First Presbyterian Church of San Rafael*

Materials sent out in Sunday Enews

**June 7, 2020**

Here are two of the pieces I have read and watched this week that I have found helpful and challenging. I know I have much work to do. We as a church and community need to listen as we work together on addressing structural racism.

**Trevor Noah** connects recent events and systemic racism in a profound way

[Click here for video](#)

**Letter from African-American woman about her husband.** He is often seen as a threat because he is black. How are we shifting our own biases and assumptions? Are we willing to speak up when we see racist profiling?

[Click here to read piece](#)

**June 14, 2020**

**Article - An Open Letter to My Fellow White Christians**

By Margaret Renkl NYT June 8, 2020

[Click here for article](#)

**Movie – 13th** (on Netflix)

*13th* is a 2016 American documentary by director Ava DuVernay. The film explores the "intersection of race, justice, and mass incarceration in the United States. It is titled after the Thirteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, adopted in 1865, which abolished slavery throughout the United States and ended involuntary servitude except as a punishment for conviction of a crime.

**June 21, 2020**

**Just Mercy movie** – available to rent – FREE ON STREAMING PLATFORMS THROUGH JUNE (based on book – true story) Bryan Stevenson encounters racism and legal and political maneuverings as he tirelessly fights for the life of Walter McMillian, wrongly sentenced to die for the murder of an 18-year old girl in Alabama. [Link to article about the movie in PCUSA news](#)

[Deconstructing White Privilege](#) video by Dr. Robin DiAngelo, author of *White Fragility*. This short video focuses on the oppressive behavior that is born out of white privilege. Dr. DiAngelo describes the most obvious and explicit aspects of racism and white privilege, while going beyond the surface of racism.

**[Being Anti-Racist](#)** National Museum of African American History and Culture “To create an equal society, we must commit to making unbiased choices and being antiracist in all aspect of our lives.”

**June 28, 2020**

**Statement on Racism Truth and Reconciliation** from General Assembly of Presbyterian Church USA currently being held on line.

**[Click here for article and statement](#)**

**Racism Is of Immediate Importance in Marin County**

**<https://thetamnews.org/20746/opinion/racism-is-of-immediate-local-importance/>**

**How To Deconstruct Racism, One Headline At A Time:** Baratunde Thurston Racism isn't funny, but in this TED talk you'll learn about the pervasive nature of racism using humor.

**[Click here for video](#)**

**July 5, 2020**

***A History: The Construction of Race and Racism***

A historical account of “race science” that, while widely discredited now, has still profoundly influenced how we think of each other and our societal structures and systems.

**[Click here for resource](#)**

**Being An Anti-Racist: A Primer**

Video by Presbyterian pastor Rev. Landon Whitsitt, Synod Executive of Mid America

**[Click here for video](#)**

**July 12, 2020**

**Book**

*There's A Storm Comin': How The American Church Can Lead Through Times of Racial Crisis* by Harold Dorrell Briscoe Provides insights that are synthesized with biblical data to create a framework that gives churches practical steps to prepare for and respond to racialized crises that inflict trauma to the social fabric of America.

**Video**

Muhammad Ali was a global superstar when he was interviewed by British journalist Michael Parkinson in 1971. He was commenting about the whiteness of church and society.

**[Click here for video](#)**

## **Article**

*Reflections from a Token Black Friend* by Ramesh A. Nagarajah "I am a token black friend. The black one in the group of white people."

[Click here for article](#)

**July 19, 2020**

## **Article and Video**

*Allies in Action: A Bay Area Conversation* on channel 7. ABC7 News Anchor Kumasi Aaron spoke with Carla Wallace, a civil rights activist and co-founder of the Fairness Campaign and Showing Up for Racial Justice about what it means to be an ally. Scroll down in article to find link to longer video.

[Click here for article and video](#)

Jeffrey Cochran-Carney's recent article – Black Lives Matter, Now More Than Ever

[Click here for pdf](#) (safe link)

**July 26 and August 2, 2020**

## **Two recent documentaries about John Lewis**

"Get In the Way" and "Good Trouble" Check Netflix, and Amazon Prime Video.