

Winnetka Congregational Church

Anti-Racism Resources – a developing collection

Books

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Ellis, Joseph J., *American Dialogue: The Founders and Us*, Random House, 2018.

Fleming, Crystal, *How to Be Less Stupid About Race*, Beacon Press, 2018.

Gates Jr., Henry Louis, ed., *The Classic Slave Narratives*, Penguin, 1987.

Glaude, Eddie S., Jr., *Begin Again: James Baldwin's America and Its Urgent Lessons for Our Own*, Crown Publishing Group, 2020.

- Harvey, Jennifer, *Dear White Christians: For Those Still Longing for Racial Reconciliation*, Eerdmans Publishing, 2014.
- Harvey, Jennifer, *Raising White Kids: Bringing Up Children in a Racially Unjust America*, Abingdon Press, 2019.
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- Hill, Daniel, *White Awake: An Honest Look at What It Means to Be White*, IVP Books, 2017.
- Irving, Debby, *Waking Up White – And Finding Myself in the Story of Race*, Elephant Room Press, 2014.
- Johnson, Walter, *The Broken Heart of America: St. Louis and the Violent History of the United States*, Basic Books, 2020.
- Katznelson, Ira, *When Affirmative Action Was White: An Untold History of Racial Inequality in Twentieth-Century America*, W.W. Norton, 2005.
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- Kendi, Ibram X., *How to Be an Antiracist*, One World, 2019.
- Kendi, Ibram X., *Stamped from the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America*, Bold Type Books, 2016.
- McGhee, Heather, *The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together*, Random House, 2021.
- Menakem, Resmaa, *My Grandmother's Hands: Racialized Trauma and the Pathway to Mending our Hearts and Bodies*, Central Recovery Press, 2017
- Mills, Charles W., *The Racial Contract*, Cornell University Press, 1997.
- Oluo, Ijeoma, *So You Want to Talk About Race*, Seal Press, 2018.
- Painter, Nell Irvin, *The History of White People*, W.W. Norton, 2010.
- Ralph, James R., Jr, *Northern Protest. Martin Luther King, Jr., Chicago, and the Civil Rights Movement*, Harvard University Press, 1993.

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Stevenson, Bryan, *Just Mercy*, Spiegel & Grau, 2014 (see “Other Films/Videos” below).

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Wilkerson, Isabel, *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents*, Penguin Random House, 2020.

Wilkerson, Isabel, *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration*, Vintage, 2010.

Wise, Tim, *Dear White America: Letter to a New Minority*, City Lights Open Media, 2012.

Thesis

Pope, LeAnn Pedersen, “From Colorblind to Clearer Vision: A White Christian’s Unexpected Journey Toward Redemption,” ProQuest, 2020,
https://drive.google.com/file/d/14tvVM-685f0pA0drwBjkZwbR-yr_D-wp/view?usp=sharing

Videos from Rev. Velda Love’s Workshop at WCC, February 8, 2020

- RACE: The Power of an Illusion, Episode 2, California Newsreel, 5:30
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4UZS8Wb4S5k>
- A Conversation with White People on Race, *New York Times*, 5:45
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xXow7olFyIM>
- Bryan Stevenson: Changing America’s Racial Narrative, Children’s Defense Fund, 3:26, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jzPUmQfo3B8>
- A Conversation About Growing up Black, *New York Times*, 5:21,
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rSAw5lcaEeg>
- A Conversation with Native Americans on Race, *New York Times*, 6:23,

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=siMal6QVbIE&t=200s>

- Without Sanctuary, photos of lynchings, 4:59, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WIDB-bDXe6o&has_verified=1
- Why “I’m Not Racist” Is Only Half the Story – Robin DiAngelo, Big Think, 6:33, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kzLT54QjclA>
- How Microaggressions Are Like Mosquito Bites: Same Difference, Fusion, 1:57, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hDd3bzA7450&t=5s>
- A Conversation with Black Women on Race, New York Times, 6:08, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U-xz4qiUBsw&t=129s>

Other Videos/Films/TV

“Adam Ruins the Suburbs,” 6-minute video about redlining, <https://youtu.be/ETR9qrVS17g>

“Against All Odds: The Fight for a Black Middle Class,” PBS documentary (1 hour, 15 minutes), Bob Herbert, writer and producer, 2017, <https://www.pbs.org/wnet/chasing-the-dream/stories/odds-fight-black-middle-class/>

“American Son,” feature-length directed by Kenny Leon, 2019, starring Kerry Washington and Steven Pasquale, based on the play by the same name. An estranged couple reunites in a Florida police station to find their missing teenage son. Available on Netflix.

“Common Good: The York Center Co-op Story,” 2021, Tim Frakes Productions, 55 minutes, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jSD8FUKvS5s>. In the postwar era of anti-communism and explicit racial discrimination in housing, a group of Church of the Brethren members envision and build an inter-racial, inter-religious cooperative community in DuPage County, Illinois. WCC members Jeffrey Phillips and Vince Summers have lived in this community since 2014.

“Cracking the Codes: The System of Racial Inequity,” directed and produced by Shakti Butler for World Trust, 2014.

“For White People Who Are Asking What Can You Do,” Light Watkins, May 2020, Instagram, 4:59, <https://www.instagram.com/p/CAVch5YgMtB/>

“Just Mercy,” directed by Destin Daniel Cretton, 2019, starring Jamie Foxx, Michael B. Jordan, and Brie Larson, based on book about the racial and income inequities of the criminal justice system. (See book above.)

“The African Americans: Many Rivers to Cross,” PBS series, Henry Louis Gates, Jr., 2013. <https://www.pbs.org/show/african-americans-many-rivers-cross/>

“The Black Church: This is Our Story, This is Our Song,” PBS series, Henry Louis Gates, Jr., Feb. 16 and 23, 2021, www.pbs.org/show/black-church

“The Blinding of Isaac Woodard,” PBS, American Experience, the story of a Black U.S. Army veteran who, returning to his home in South Carolina after WWII, was attacked and blinded by police, and how this event persuaded President Truman to work to end segregation. <https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/americanexperience/films/blinding-isaac-woodard/>

“13th,” directed by Ava DuVerney, 2016, with reference to the 13th amendment to the U.S. Constitution, the film explores the history of race and mass incarceration of African Americans as an extension of slavery.

“Twelve Years a Slave,” directed by Steve McQueen, 2013. In the antebellum United States, Solomon Northup, a free black man from upstate New York, is abducted and sold into slavery. Screenplay by John Ridley, based on an 1853 memoir by Solomon Northup, starring Chiwetel Ejiofor, Michael Kenneth Williams, and Michael Fassbender.

“White Fragility: Why It’s So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism,” Dr. Robin DiAngelo, C-Span, June 2018, 1:28:18, <https://www.c-span.org/video/?447421-2/white-fragility>

Articles

Coates, Ta-Nehisi, “The Case for Reparations”, *The Atlantic*, June 2014.

McIntosh, Peggy, “Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack,” 1988, early resource on the concept of white privilege, <https://www.racialequitytools.org/resourcefiles/mcintosh.pdf>

Williams, Reggie, “The Racial Script: White Supremacy’s Hidden Logic,” *Christian Century*, September 23, 2020, online version: www.christiancentury.org/article/critical-essay/white-supremacy-script-we-re-given-birth

Corporate

McKinsey & Co. has created an Institute for Black Economic Mobility: <https://www.mckinsey.com/bem/overview>, "a think tank dedicated to accelerating research, convening people and organizations, and developing tools and assets that can help advance racial equity and inclusive growth to safeguard the lives of Black people around the world."

Podcasts

"Seeing White" by Scene on Radio:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/turning-the-lens-seeing-white-part-1/id1036276968?i=1000381267487>

The origins of American policing and how those origins put violent control of Black Americans at the heart of the system - from NPR's history podcast "Throughline": <https://www.npr.org/2020/06/03/869046127/american-police>

Poetry

<https://www.poetryfoundation.org/collections/155298/poetry-and-racial-justice-and-equality>

Local Websites

Family Action Network, www.familyactionnetwork.net, see recorded presentations and conversations with Bryan Stevenson, Ta-Nehisi Coates, Carol Anderson, Colson Whitehead, Ibram X. Kendi, Robin D'Angelo, Richard Rothstein, and others. Rothstein (see book above): www.YouTube.com/watch?v=zKsDq6DOOdY

Healing Everyday Racism in Our Schools (HEROS), www.HEROS.community, anti-racism working group of North Shore students, parents, and teachers.