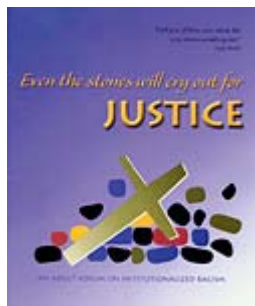


## Books and Study Guides on Ending Racism

***Ending Racism in the Church*** edited by Susan Davies and Sister Paul Teresa Hennessee (United Church Press, 1998), \$13.00

Seventeen essays call church members to recognize the sin of racism. We seldom think of racism as a sin, and need to hear this call to repentance. Boldly speaking to church members everywhere, this collection raises awareness of how and how often racism influences behavior and spawns hatred. Each of the four sections begins with a case study profiling a church or community agency that is working to end racism, followed by chapters from scholars and practitioners who describe the subtle ways in which racism undermines the gospel's thrust. Every essay is followed by study questions, and there is an appendix, "A Guide to Address Racism."



***Even the Stones Will Cry Out for Justice: An Adult Forum on Institutionalized Racism*** (Augsburg Fortress, 1999), \$4.95

A powerful resource for congregations who want to reach out to and embrace people of all races, cultures, and ethnic backgrounds. This resource provides biblical illustrations of how racism separates us from what God calls us to be; challenges and stimulates with questions, vignettes, and discussion topics; and encourages change as members challenge the obstacles racism presents. Contains everything leaders need to conduct a three or five session Bible study or a one-day retreat.

***Uncovering Racism*** by Kathryn Goering Reid and Stephen Breck Reid (Brethren Press, 1999), \$6.95



Subtle forms of racism, prejudice, and discrimination continue to cause difficulty and heartache to billions of people. This study points out inherently racist systems, structures, and attitudes both within the church and the larger society. It includes ten Bible study lessons, a section on suggestions for sharing and prayer, and music to help congregations study the implications of racism and explore ways to take action and avoid complacency. Each Bible study could be used on its own or an in depth study can be undertaken using all the material.

***Inclusion: Making Room for Grace*** by Eric H.F. Law (Chalice Press, 2000)  
\$16.99



Eric Law provides some of the best resources available for congregations on diversity, the many cultures present in our communities and congregations, and the call of the gospel to extend our boundaries to include the “outsider.” There is much here that should be put into practice at once in congregations, and it is supported with a remarkably accessible biblical and theological framework – materials that might be put to excellent use in adult education programs.

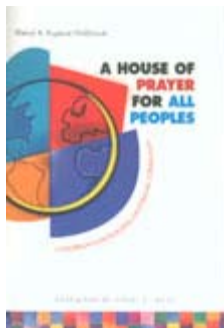
***Living the Faith: A Guide for Strengthening Multicultural Relationships***  
(Augsburg Fortress, 2000), \$1.50



Living the Faith is a compilation of stories, advice, and reflections about creating and nurturing multicultural relationships, for individuals and congregations seeking to reach out to people whose race is different than their own. Presented in five sections, it is particularly well suited for adult forums or other groups that meet regularly. Includes exercises that help shed light on how you understand that faith transcends culture, and through our shared faith in Christ, it’s relatively easy to share friendships across cultures.

Available ELCA Distribution Service, (800) 328-4648

***A House of Prayer for All Peoples: Congregations Building Multi-Racial Community*** by Sheryl Kujawa-Holbrook (Alban Institute, 2003), \$19.00

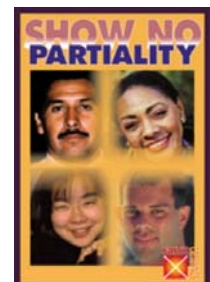


Contrary to the oft-repeated truism, there are churches in America where Sunday is not the “most segregated day of the week,” as Sheryl Kujawa-Holbrook convincingly demonstrates in her compelling exploration of congregations tackling racial justice issues. Yet the truism continues to haunt many congregations, and Kujawa-Holbrook reveals, through story and thoughtful analysis, what it means to create and live out multiracial community.

Focusing on six congregations from different denominations, geographical regions, and settings, the author shows us the joys and struggles in their intentional pursuits of a more diverse and just community. The stories in *A House of Prayer for All Peoples* will inspire leaders to explore their congregation’s history, study their community’s demographics, and, most of all, search their souls for ways they can develop and celebrate the diversity in their midst. The book is capped by an extensive annotated resource list for readers who want to explore the topic further. (6" x 8 3/4" - 248 pages)

***Show No Partiality*** edited by Michael Dixon (Chalice Press, 1999), \$6.99

This study guide helps us uncover and understand racism, putting us in dialogue with people of a variety of races—and with ourselves. We discover that we are called to be transformed and transforming.



Available at Chalice Press at [www.chalicepress.com](http://www.chalicepress.com)

***Steps Toward Wholeness: Learning and Repentance*** prepared by Carolyn Henninger Oehler, PhD (The General Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns, 2000), free download from

[www.gccuic-umc.org/web/webpdf/studyguide.pdf](http://www.gccuic-umc.org/web/webpdf/studyguide.pdf)

Developed to serve as preparation for the 2000 General Assembly, this resource contains materials and guidelines for six sessions lasting from 45 minutes to two hours each. Each session starts with a worship sequence and ends with a prayer. Some sessions deal specifically with the different branches of Methodism but personal and institutional racism are explored.

***Denouncing Racism: A Resource Guide of Faith-Based Principles*** (The National Conference for Community and Justice, 2002), free download from

<http://65.214.34.18/faithbook.pdf>

An unprecedented compilation of faith and spiritually based principles, Denouncing Racism addresses how the concept of being actively anti-racist is documented in most faiths' spiritual practices and policies.

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