

Antiracism Resources for Churches

As members of Christ's body, we are called to the work of restorative justice. We recognize that racism has long been a part of our country's DNA. It's not enough to be against racism, we also must do the work of anti-racism to remove racism at the personal, institutional and systemic level.

Articles

From PC(USA)

- [“Dismantling structural racism is ‘in all our best interest’”](#) by Mike Ferguson
 - Published in *PC(USA) Presbyterian Mission*
- [“Beyond protests, how can you and your church bring change?”](#) by Rich Copley
 - Published in *PC(USA) Presbyterian Mission*
- [“A Common Statement on Racism, Advocacy for Black Women and Girls, and the 224th General Assembly \(2020\)”](#) by Bruce Reyes-Chow
 - From Past Moderators, Co-moderators, and Vice Moderators of The General Assemblies of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and Predecessor Church

Videos

From PC(USA)

- [“Why is protest important to people of faith?”](#)
 - Published by *PC(USA) Presbyterian Mission Agency*
- [“Keeping Faith”](#) on confronting and engaging in the work of racial justice
 - Published by *PC(USA) Presbyterian Mission Agency*

Resources from Other Groups

From PC(USA)

- [PC\(USA\) Racial Justice Resources page now available online](#) – Website

- [Facing Racism](#) – Website
- [PC\(USA\) Presbyterian Mission – Racial Equity Page](#) – Webpage
- Follow [PC\(USA\) Racial and Intercultural Justice Office](#) on Facebook to keep up-to-date on Anti-Racism resources – Facebook Page
- Follow [PC\(USA\) Special Committee on Racism, Truth & Reconciliation](#) on Facebook – Facebook Page

Others

- [Poor People’s Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival](#) – Website
 - PC(USA) has agreed to partner with them in the 2020 General Assembly

Activities to Promote Racial Justice

From PC(USA)

- [STUDY: Start dismantling racism with a 21-day challenge](#)
 - Article by Presbyterian Mission

Books

Antiracist – Starter

- [Stamped from the Beginning](#) by Ibram X. Kendi
- [A People’s History of the United States](#) by Howard Zinn
- [White Fragility](#) by Robin Diangelo
- [So You Want to Talk About Race](#) by Ijeoma Oluo
- [Waking Up White](#) by Debby Irving
- [Just Mercy](#) by Bryan Stevenson

Antiracist – Intermediate

- [The Burning House: Jim Crow and the Making of Modern America](#) by Anders Walker
- [The New Jim Crow](#) By Michelle Alexander

- [Dying of Whiteness: How the Politics of Racial Resentment is Killing America's Heartland](#) by Jonathan M. Metzl
- [A Different Mirror](#) by Ronald Takaki
- [How To Be An Antiracist](#) by Ibram X. Kendi

Antiracist Literature – Topic Specific

- [Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City](#) by Matthew Desmond (Poverty, Housing)
- [Nobody: Casualties of America's War on the Vulnerable, from Ferguson to Flint and Beyond](#) by Marc Lamont Hill (Police Violence/Mass Incarceration)
- [Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria](#) by Beverly Daniel Tatum, PhD (Education Discrimination/Bias)
- [The Color of Law](#) by Richard Rothstein (Segregation, Housing Discrimination, Redlining)
- [Lies My Teacher Told Me: Everything Your American History Textbook Got Wrong](#) by James W. Loewen (education, colonialism, ahistoricism)
- [Blackballed: The Black Vote and U.S. Democracy](#) by Darryl Pinckney (Voter Suppression, Black Voting)
- [Slavery by Another Name: The Re-Enslavement of Black Americans from the Civil War to World War II](#) by Douglas A. Blackmon (Mass Incarceration)

Antiracist Literature – Biographies, Non-Fiction Novels, Person Narratives

- [The Warmth of Other Suns](#) by Isabel Wilkerson
- [The Fire Next Time](#) by James Baldwin
- [Malcolm X](#) by Alex Haley
- [Between the World and Me](#) by Ta-Nehisi Coates
- [Killing Rage: Ending Racism](#) (Essay Collection)
- [Becoming](#) by Michelle Obama
- [Slave Nation: How Slavery United the Colonies & Sparked the American Revolution](#) by Alfred Blumrosen and Ruth Blumrosen

Biblical/Theological

- [The Christian Imagination](#) by Willie James Jennings
- [Race: A Theological Account](#) by J. Kameron Carter
- [The Color of Christ](#) by Blum and Harvey
- [The Color of Compromise](#) by Jemar Tisby
- [Redeeming Mulatto: A Theology of Race and Christian Hybridity](#) by Brian Bantum
- [The Cross and the Lynching Tree](#) by James Cone
- [Preaching About Racism: A Guide for Faith Leaders](#) by Carolyn B. Helsel (December 2018)

Books for Small Groups

- [Good White Racist? Confronting Your Role in Racial Injustice](#) by Kerry Connelly (March 2020)
- [For Beautiful Black Boys Who Believe in a Better World](#) by Michael W. Waters (coming September 2020) – Preorder. | [Free discussion and activity guide](#).
- [Ten Essential Strategies for Becoming a Multiracial Congregation](#) by Jacqueline J. Lewis and John Janka (March 2018)
- [Me and White Supremacy: Combat Racism, Change the World, and Become a Good Ancestor](#) by Layla Saad
- [No Innocent Bystanders: Becoming an Ally in the Struggle for Justice](#) by Shannon Craigo-Snell and Christopher Doucot (October 2017)
- [Witnessing Whiteness: The Need to Talk about Race and How to Do It](#) by Shelly Tochluk
- [The New Jim Crow](#) By Michelle Alexander
- [How To Be An Antiracist](#) by Ibram X. Kendi

Children's Books by Age

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- [The Snowy Day](#) by Ezra Jack Keats
- [Two Eyes, A Nose, and a Mouth](#) by Roberta Grobel Intrater
- [Shades of People](#) by Shelly Rotner

- *Shades of Black* by Sandra L. Pinkney
- *No! My First Book of Protest* by Julie Merberg

3-5

- *Saturday* by Oge Mora
- *Hair Love* by Matthew A. Cherry
- *Brian the Brave* by Paul Stewart and Jane Porter
- *All the Colors We Are* by Katie Kissinger

5-8

- *Each Kindness* by Jacqueline Woodson
- *The Youngest Marcher* by Cynthia Levinson
- *Something Happened in Our Town: A Child's Story About Racial Injustice* by Marianne Celano, Marietta Collins and Ann Hazzard
- *Whoosh! Lonnie Johnson's Super-Soaking Stream of Inventions* by Chris Barton
- *Grandpa, Is Everything Black Bad* by Sandy Lynne Holman
- *Sulwe* by Lupita Nyong'o
- *Enough! 20 Protesters Who Changed America* by Emily Easton

9-12

- *Resist: 35 Profiles of Ordinary People Who Rose Up Against Tyranny and Injustice* by Veronica Chambers
- *Not My Idea: A Book About Whiteness* by Anastasia Higginbotham
- *The Lost Tribes Series* by Christine Taylor-Butler

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- *All American Boys* by Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely
- *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi
- *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas

Teens and Young Adult

- [Internment](#) by Samira Ahmed
- [Tyler Johnson was Here](#) by Jay Coles
- [All Boys Aren't Blue: A Memoir-Manifesto](#) by George M. Johnson
- [This Book is Anti-Racist](#) by Tiffany Jewell
- [The Only Black Girls in Town](#) by Brandy Colbert
- [Black Brother, Black Brother](#) by Jewell Parker
- [Blended](#) by Sharon M. Draper
- [For Black Girls Like Me](#) by Mariama J. Lockington
- [Genesis Begins Again](#) by Alicia D. Williams
- [The Voting Booth](#) by Brandy Colbert
- [Slay](#) by Brittney Morris
- [Long Way Down](#) by Jason Reynolds
- [Piecing Me Together](#) by Renee Watson
- [Black Girl Unlimited: The Remarkable Story of A Teenage Wizard](#) by Echo Brown
- [Who Put This Song On?](#) by Morgan Parker
- [Dear Martin](#) by Nic Stone
- [How It Went Down](#) by Kekla Magoon

Transformative Justice

- [Fumbling Towards Repair: A Workbook for Community Accountability Facilitators](#) by Mariame Koba and Shira Hassan
- [Beyond Survival: Strategies and Stories from the Transformative Justice Movement](#)

Miscellaneous

- [Dear White Christian: For Those Still Longing for Racial Reconciliation](#) by Jennifer Harvey
- [Me and White Supremacy](#) by Layla F. Saad
- [Tears We Cannot Stop](#) by Michael Dyson