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Please identify whether you are answering this survey as a representative of an entire diocese or as a church or institution: Church or Institution

If Church or Institution, please identify which kind of Episcopal entity you represent: Congregation

Section One: Telling the Truth About Our Churches and Race, including Truth and Reconciliation Processes (TRUTH)

Check all the Truth-telling ministries with which your diocese, congregation or institution has engaged over the last 12 months: Historic study of diocesan and/or congregational participation in systemic oppression of Indigenous, Black, Latinx, Asian, Pacific Islander peoples and other people of color

Please describe the efforts related to the boxes checked above: Taking anecdotal information re Church history and efforts on the part of social justice. Going through historical documents and relating to historical events ie rise of KKK in our community. Reading and speakers and dialog on issues of Truth and Reconciliation.

Has your diocese, congregation or institution or entity in recent years engaged in a Truth and Reconciliation process, understood to be: (please check all that apply)

Investigating the organization's historic role in racial injustice;

Please describe these Truth and Reconciliation process efforts:

Still investigating.
Spending time in historical society records. Speaker came to share her research on racial justice concerns.

Has your diocese, congregation or institution organized a commission, working group or other regular meetings to work on a Truth and Reconciliation process?

Yes

If yes, please summarize and provide the name of the commission/group, and a contact person with name and email address.

Truth and Reconciliation Task Force. I am a co-convener and can be reached at cmchetman8@gmail.com.

Have Episcopal entities pursuing Truth and Reconciliation hosted events and webinars or produced any documents, testimonials, reports or other content?

No

If your diocese, congregation or institution has not begun to pursue a Truth and Reconciliation process, have leaders expressed interest in starting such work?

Yes

Section Two: Proclaiming the Dream of Beloved Community (PROCLAMATION)

Check all the Proclaiming the Dream ministries with which your diocese, congregation or institution has engaged during the last 12 months: (check all that apply)

Participate in local or regional efforts to examine the history of race and racism

Please describe the efforts related to the boxes checked above:

Interfaith Community provided workshops and conference on history of white supremacy in our state. Several of us attended.

What assistance or resources would help you to take the next steps around Proclaiming the Dream?

Not sure at this time. Perhaps funding to bring in speakers and outside organizers.

Section Three: Practicing Jesus's Healing Way (FORMATION)

Check all the Practicing the Way ministries with which your diocese or entity has engaged during the last 12 months: (check all that apply)

Sacred Ground dialogue circles
Preaching on race and racism
Diocesan or organization-wide reading of book(s) on race

Please describe the efforts related to the boxes checked above:

We are holding dialogue each month after our service on what it means to be a good ancestor. Encouraging others to join in Sacred Ground.

Someone of us joined a book group with others from other faiths to read books and discuss personal as well as institutional racism.

What assistance or resources would help you to take the next steps around Practicing the Way?

Not sure

Section Four: Repairing the Breach in Institutions and Society (JUSTICE)

Check all the church-wide Repairing the Breach efforts with which your diocese, congregation or institution has engaged during the last 12 months:

Other: Working with other church groups to build and support transitional housing for those who are unhoused

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Reimagining Policing and Criminal Justice Reform”?

Not yet engaged

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Prison Ministries or Re-entry Ministries,” that is, supporting persons re-entering community following incarceration?

Not yet engaged

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Refugee Ministries”?

Learning

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Immigration Reform”?

Learning

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Education Equity,” including support for Historically Black Colleges and Universities and partnering with under-resourced schools primarily serving students of color?

Learning

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Housing Equity” for/with communities and People of Color?

Local engagement

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Economic Opportunity” for/with communities and People of Color?

Learning

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Environmental Racism and Eco-justice”?

Learning

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Reparations for Racial Justice”?

Learning

Conclusion
