



EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN CONNECTICUT

PARTICIPATING IN GOD'S MISSION

Question #2:

How can ECCT raise awareness of the sin of racism in our Church and promote healing toward true racial reconciliation?

Description of work done and findings:

The history of racism in the Episcopal Church is not unlike the history of racism in this country. We acknowledge that the problem is in part predicated on ignorance and fear. Furthermore, as the ECCT, we participate in this systemic behavior and mentality. As the Church, we are called and are uniquely equipped to challenge racism. As people of faith, we must create safe space to hold transforming conversations in which members of our church communities may tell our stories and deepen relationships.

Next steps:

1. Create educational resources to address the history of White supremacy.
2. Curate and distribute resources around facilitating the conversation of racism.
3. Identify models of reconciliation around the issue of racism.
4. Encourage more civic involvement surrounding the issue of racism.

Action needed from convention:

To provide funding for a 10-hour per week Diocesan position to facilitate the gathering, curating, and dissemination of resources as described in next steps.

Status of action requested at the 234th Annual Convention: Approved/adopted