

*"In a racist society, it is not enough to be non-racist. We must be anti-racist."*

Angela Y. Davis, American political activist, philosopher, academic, author

*"The beauty of anti-racism is that you don't have to pretend to be free of racism to be an anti-racist. Anti-racism is the commitment to fight racism wherever you find it, including in yourself. And it's the only way forward."*

Ijeoma Oluo, Nigerian-American writer

## Talking about American Racism: Past, Present and Future

Beginning mid-July three study groups will form at White Bear Lake UMC to read and discuss the book **"White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk about Racism"** by Robin DiAngelo.

### Class/Group Details

#### Group 1

Where: online via Zoom

When: Monday evenings, July 13, 20, 27 @ 7:15 pm (1-1.25 hours class length)

Group Size: maximum 10 individuals/households may participate

Facilitator: Pastor Bill Eaves

#### Group 2

Where: in-person study @ White Bear Lake UMC (Masks, social distancing in place)

When: Thursday mornings, July 16, 23, 30 @ 10:00 am (1.5 hours class length)

Group Size: maximum 11 individuals may participate

Facilitator: Pastor John McBride

#### Group 3

Where: in-person study @ White Bear Lake UMC (Masks, social distancing in place)

When: Thursday evenings, July 16, 23, 30 @ 6:30 pm (1.5 hours class length)

Group Size: maximum 11 individuals may participate

Facilitator: Lori McBride, Minister of Missions & Adult Faith Formation

### Study/Discussion Outline

- Session 1  
Chapters 1-4: The Past: Development of Racist Attitudes & Behavior in America
- Session 2  
Chapters 5-8: The Present: What We Think, Feel & Do in 2020
- Session 3  
Chapters 9-12: The Future: What Needs to Change & How Will We Do It

Each participant should secure their own book (Kindle, paper copy, etc.) This may be difficult to do quickly as the book is quite popular at this time. Please let the facilitator of your group know if you don't have class material in time to read before the first class.

### To Register via Signup Genius

Monday Online via Zoom: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F48A4AC2CA7FF2-white>

Thursday evening with Lori McBride: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F48A4AC2CA7FF2-white1>

Thursday morning with Pastor John: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F48A4AC2CA7FF2-white2>

### Other Ways to Register

E-mail Lori McBride directly: [lori.mcbride@wblumc.org](mailto:lori.mcbride@wblumc.org); Call Lori McBride: 651-208-9000

