



*Leading together for the greater good of our community*

## Common Ground's 2021 Initiative Announced **The Golden Rule Project**



### Learning How to Embrace We

Are you anxious or tired of the polarization and divisiveness in society? Do you want strategies to engage in dialogue with others online or in person, even about "taboo topics" like politics, race, religion?

The "Learning How to Embrace We" initiative is seeking to equip the community with practices that foster dialogue, trust, and positive relationships. In this time of great division, our goal is to move the needle of our society - away from polarization and demonization of the Other, and toward authentic relationships that celebrate differences while working toward community.



### Community Conversations

These are 1.5 hour dialogues with fellow community members where we will begin with an intro and short Tedtalk or video, then break up into facilitated listening circles to discuss. Come to one or come to all. Community conversations happen via Zoom, once per month on the last Thursday from 7:00pm-8:30pm. Topic changes each month. No ongoing commitment!

### Dialogue Circles

These are set groups of 6-8 people each who agree to meet monthly for 6 months. Led, by a trained facilitator, dialogue circles are a way to dialogue with others and build deeper relationships, especially across differences. You'll meet with your group via Zoom once per month on dates/times that work for you. Topic(s) will be set in advance.



### Dialogue Pairs

These are set pairs people (either 1-1 or couple-couple) who are paired based on shared interest in a topic, but especially linking people across differences (ie a Republican with a Democrat). Paired people agree to meet monthly (via Zoom or in person) for 6 months on dates/times that work for you. These are self-facilitated but you'll receive dialogue guides.

**Join our initiative and register today!**  
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**This month's  
marketing partner**

### Our Mission

Common Ground is a bridge connecting leaders of the faith community with leaders of the secular (i.e. lay) community with a focus on improving the health and wholeness of our Fox Cities.

Put another way, Common Ground's objective is to facilitate the collaboration of faith leaders and community leaders for the betterment (health and well-being) of the Fox Cities.

