



# Lenten Series 2017

**Priv-i-legē** has been defined as a "special right, advantage, or immunity granted or available only to a particular person or group of people." - Merriam-Webster Dictionary

Privilege takes different forms. Living into our Baptismal Covenant necessitates that we closely examine various forms of privilege that create systemic structures that impede fullness of life. During the penitential season of Lent, we will closely examine the notion of "privilege" so that we can acknowledge the structural sin that allows it to perpetuate and repent of that sin.

This year's Lenten series will be a call to return to the Lord by using the theological lens of our Baptismal Covenant in order to raise consciousness about racial privilege.

For our Lenten series this year, we will use the United Church of Christ's curriculum entitled, "*White Privilege: Let's Talk*" as a basis for conversation that spans scripture and theology, as well as the academic disciplines of sociology and religious studies.



## The Very Rev. Gail E. Greenwell

The Very Rev. Gail E. Greenwell is dean of Christ Church Cathedral, Cincinnati. Previously she was rector at Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Mission, Kansas (a suburb of Kansas City). She also served at the Church of the Epiphany in San Carlos, California, and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Belvedere, California, and was interim director of Christian Formation at Christ Church in Lake Oswego, Oregon. Dean Greenwell earned her Master of Divinity degree at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific. She also holds a bachelor's degree in history and education from the University of Oregon.



## Dr. Prince Brown

Dr. Prince Brown is Professor Emeritus at Northern Kentucky University. He received his Ph.D. in Sociology from Boston College and had a 35 year career as a university professor and administrator. He has done extensive research on race relations and the history of slavery in the United States; and is the co-author of the book, "The Social Construction of Race and Ethnicity in the United States." He has worked as a chemist, and served as a commissioned officer in the Military. Prince has been a member of the cathedral for over 20 years. He is active on the Christian Formation Committee and with the 5000 Club and IHN ministries.



### **The Rev. John Paddock**

The Rev. John Paddock is the Rector of Christ Church, Dayton. He is committed to ministry in the city. Rev. Paddock has earned degrees from the University of Rochester (B.A.), The Episcopal Theological Seminary in Virginia (M.Div.) and United Theological Seminary in Dayton (D.Min.) His thesis is entitled, *"Reframing the Dialogue on Racism in America in a Parish Setting"*.

He has served parishes in Whitehall, Ohio; Greenville, Ohio, Great Barrington, Massachusetts; and Bath, Maine. He is one of the principal contributors to the curriculum we are using for the Lenten Series.



### **The Rev. Stacy Salles**

The Rev. Stacy Salles is the Priest in Charge of The Church of the Advent. At Advent, Stacy spearheads congregational life and an extensive outreach ministry to the community in Walnut Hills. Prior to Advent, Stacy served parishes in Michigan. Her first career was working in the prison system.



### **Ms. Sara Williams, (Ph.D. c)**

Sara is a doctoral candidate in Christian Ethics at Emory University and adjunct faculty in Religion and Social Justice Studies at Miami University. She is also the Enrollment and Capacity-Building Coordinator for a new certificate in *Fostering Just Communities* at Miami, which aims to teach students about realities of intersectional privilege and structural injustice through immersion in the Over-the-Rhine and Lower Price Hill communities.

Prior to her doctoral studies, Sara earned a Master of Religion from Yale Divinity School and a Master of Social Work from the University of Georgia. In between degrees, she has worked with a variety of nonprofits and NGOs as a community social worker and in nonprofit management.



### **The Rev. Canon Manoj M. Zacharia**

The Rev. Canon Manoj Mathew Zacharia is the Canon Sub-Dean of Christ Church Cathedral. He also serves as the Ecumenical Officer for the Diocese of Southern Ohio. Prior to Christ Church Cathedral, he has served as rector, vicar, or chaplain in various parts of the Anglican Communion. He has a B.A. in Political Theory from Vassar College, M.Div from Mar Thoma Seminary, Master of Sacred Theology from General Seminary, and is Ph.D.(ABD) Toronto in the area of Theological Methodology. Prior to his ordained life, he worked in finance and in government.

**March 12 | Adult Forum: Introduction to the Curriculum with The Rev. John Paddock**

**March 15 | The Spiritual Autobiography Told Through the Lens of Race**

*Facilitators: The Very Rev. Gail E. Greenwell and Canon Manoj M. Zacharia*

**March 22 | Whiteness as the Norm: Five Loci of Insights on the Binary of Light/Dark and Black/White**

*Facilitator: Dr. Prince Brown*

**March 29 | The Cash Value of Privilege**

*Facilitators: The Rev. Stacy Salles and Canon Manoj M. Zacharia*

**April 5 | On Becoming an Ally**

*Facilitator: Sara Williams, Ph.D. (C)*

### **Format for Sessions 2 - 5**

Evening Prayer	6:05 pm
Dinner	6:30 pm
Class	7:00 pm
Compline	8:05 pm

The whole series will be at Christ Church Cathedral except for the **April 5** class, which will take place at Church of the Advent (2366 Kemper Lane, Cincinnati, OH 45206).

We encourage you to register so that we may be able to provide dinner (during the Wednesday sessions) for this event. Please contact Crystal Jones at [cjones@cccath.org](mailto:cjones@cccath.org).