



## **Living the Pledge to End Racism Workshop**

Saturdays, Jan. 13 and 20, from 9 AM to 3 PM (a two-day commitment)

When our church signed the Pledge to End Racism in October 2016, we knew this would be a very long journey. We set out in November 2016, launching our efforts with a Living the Pledge (LTP) Workshop. During 2017 our journey continued, with another LTP Workshop, reflection sessions, reading groups, films, a tour of some of racism's local roots, discussions, and action-oriented Allyship Training offered by our partner organization Service Never Sleeps. As 2018 begins, UUCA will offer once again the core training that launched our efforts to end racism in Northern Virginia.

If you haven't taken it before, please plan to join us for this experience. If you have taken it before but would like to refresh your commitment to the pledge, please feel free to attend again. This two-day program is UUCA's foundational anti-racism course, specifically designed for people who participate in a faith community. It is in that context that we deepen our understanding, our relationships, and our connections with the wider community.

This workshop, led by the facilitation team of Diane Dorius, Tracey L. Rogers, and Ann Ulmschneider, will challenge you to invest in your learning about anti-racism with literature, training, small group discussions, and other activities. You will be asked to reflect upon your own experiences and beliefs in small groups and to develop your own action plan, while exploring together the concept of implicit bias, the effects of well-meaning but offensive micro-aggressions, the results of structural and institutional racism, and the contemporary Movement for Black Lives.

Please register by Jan 1st using this form - <https://goo.gl/forms/RJK45w8ns4hc8Exc2>. If you have any questions, please email Diane Dorius at [doriusde@gmail.com](mailto:doriusde@gmail.com).