

Building the Beloved Community

MIDDLE SCHOOL ADVENTURE IN COMMUNITY AND JUSTICE



Service -- serving meals on Sunday 11:30 a.m. -- 3 p.m., July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2020 at St. Stephen's Pittsfield with the Cathedral of the Beloved, 67 East St, Pittsfield, MA 01201.

Reflection -- after the meal, reflection on scripture (the ethic behind serving the community) and writing prayers for the final project.

Learning -- One week of reviewing the history of racism in the United States, two weeks of discussing current events in light of the history of the United States, looking at why justice is important in our society and our faith: Zoom meetings: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., July 27, August 3. Pictures are due August 3 for the Prayers of the People Scavenger Hunt (see below). The photo show will be August 10.

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Prayers of the People Scavenger Hunt -- Praying with our hearts, hands and feet:

Young people will have the opportunity to capture pictures around their communities that capture those things they would like to hold up in prayer. Themes explored will follow the outline of the forms of prayer in the BCP. Pictures will be collected on August 3rd. The group will then write prayers to accompany the images created. While participating, participants and family members will be invited to consider some of the following:

For the government and/or city officials, take a picture of City Hall, a court or another municipal building.

For those caring for the sick, take a picture of a doctor's office, a sign at a hospital, a therapist office.

For Black Lives Matter, make a sign demonstrating their thoughts around themes discussed and take a picture.

For animals and creation, take pictures of beloved pets, images of nature around the Berkshires, etc.

