

Resolution to Engage the Work of Antiracism
St. Peter's Episcopal Church
South Windsor, CT

Whereas the death of George Floyd has awakened our country anew to the perpetuation of violence, discrimination, and bias against People of Color and historically marginalized communities in the United States; and

Whereas we recognize that the sin of racism is entrenched in the institutions and systems of our society, depriving People of Color of fair and equitable treatment and opportunity enjoyed by others; and

Whereas we are called as disciples of Jesus Christ to seek justice and promote the truth that every person is created in the image of God; and

Whereas our baptism cleanses and frees us from the bondage of sin, our faith compels us to follow the example of Jesus to work for true freedom for all; now more than ever is the time to stand up, speak out, and assertively work to end injustices to People of Color;

Be it resolved that in a spirit of righteousness, justice, and service to our Lord Jesus Christ, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, South Windsor, CT makes this pledge:

- We commit ourselves to learning about the past and committing ourselves in truth and action toward a more inclusive and equitable future.
- We dedicate ourselves as a parish to the work of racial healing, justice, and reconciliation.
- We devote ourselves to pursuing genuine freedom and independence for all Americans, and to stand up for the dignity and full humanity of People of Color in the United States.

This is a call to deepen and broaden our participation in God's mission, working for God's kingdom both through personal action and institutional witness.

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