

Educating Ourselves About Race & Racism

September – October

Monday Evenings

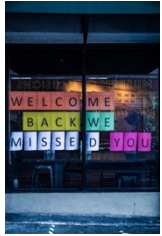
All classes are from 7-8pm via Zoom

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By educating ourselves we can change our community and our country.

September 18 Welcome Back!



For our first session, we'll check-in and watch two videos: one about Emmet Till and the other, "Tired of Talking About Race."

And...we'll give you a sneak peek about what's ahead for the fall season too.

September 25 Reparations in Action: It Can be Done, Nancy Chupp



Nancy will talk about her church's recent decision to give away a \$2 million Seattle property as an act of reparation. She will provide an overview of the factors that led her faith community to enter into a discernment process regarding the property, discuss how her church engaged in a process of internal discernment and external consultation with organizers and leaders in Black and Indigenous communities, and describe how her church ultimately reached a consensus to transfer the property.

Nancy Chupp is part of the Mennonite faith tradition and has been attending Seattle Mennonite Church since 2002. She is an attorney and works at the Seattle Office of Labor Standards where she helps enforce Seattle's labor laws and supervises investigators conducting investigations into workplace violations. Nancy lives in Seattle with her husband. She has a son (22) and a daughter (18).

October 2 "Grandma and Grace" with Gwen Carr and Grace Caldwell



"Grandma and Grace" is a conversation between a grandmother and her granddaughter growing up 50 years apart in Los Angeles and Salem. It compares some of the critical issues for Blacks in the 1960s versus today.

Gwen Carr is a retired Information Systems Manager for SAIF specializing in change management and business process improvement. She has served in many nonprofit organizations in the city, state and nation and is currently on the Emeritus Board of the Oregon Black Pioneers. Her granddaughter Grace Caldwell is a 2022 graduate of McKay High and is now a second-year student at Dartmouth College in New Hampshire.

October 9 Growing up Black in Rural Oregon and Becoming a Realtor, Chance Jackson



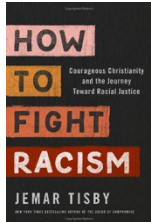
Bend realtor, Chance Jackson, will engage with his friend and class member Chris Clark in a conversation about race in Oregon.

After graduating from Cascade High School in Turner, Oregon, his passion for music led him to manage a popular band and nightclub before entering the

private catering business. Along the way he became interested in investing and later discovered the real estate industry where he established his career.

Having assisted in countless real estate transactions (both buying and selling) in multiple states and with multiple brokerages, Chance was deemed a Top Producing agent in the Pacific Northwest. Chance has served as a Board of Director for the 5th largest HOA in Oregon and in his free time enjoys spending time with his wife, Tianna, and their son.

October 16 Book Study: *How to Fight Racism: Courageous Christianity and the Journey Toward Racial Justice* by Jemar Tisby Chapters 1-4



How do we effectively confront racial injustice? We need to move beyond talking about racism and start equipping ourselves to fight against it.

In this follow-up to the New York Times Bestseller the *Color of Compromise*, Jemar Tisby offers an array of actionable items to confront racism. *How to Fight Racism* introduces a simple framework—the A.R.C. Of Racial Justice—that teaches readers to consistently interrogate their own actions and maintain a consistent posture of anti-racist behavior. Tisby offers practical tools for following this model and suggests that by applying these principles, we can help dismantle a social hierarchy long stratified by skin color.

October 23 The US Supreme Court's Decision on Affirmative Action, Tom Scheuermann, JD with Dr. Connie Gores



Class member Tom Scheuermann will go over the basics of affirmative action and the implications of the recent US Supreme Court ruling. Tom career has been in Higher Education. Tom serves on the faculty of Oregon State University where he taught higher education law for 28 years. He currently teaches a course on the US Supreme Court for the OSU Honors College. In addition, he will be joined by Dr. Connie Gores, President Emerita of the Southwest Minnesota State University and former VP for Enrollment at Randolph-Macon Woman's College.

October 30 Great Women of the Civil Rights Movement: Fannie Lou Hamer and Mary McLeod Bethune, Dr. Traci Hodgson



Fannie Lou Hamer (1917-1973) was an American voting and women's rights activist, community organizer, and a leader in the civil rights movement. Mary McLeod Bethune (1875-1955) was an American educator, philanthropist, humanitarian, and civil rights activist.

Dr. Traci Hodgson is a professor of History, Pacific NW History, and Women's Studies Faculty at Chemeketa Community College