

Social Justice Action

“What one does is what counts. Not what one had the intention of doing.” Pablo Picasso

UUCSW Service Project

Social Justice FAMILY Event – TODAY

When – Sunday February 2, 12:00 – 12:30 PM

Where – In our very own church kitchen.

What – Pack meals. We will be packing meals for people in a homeless shelter in Worcester. *There will be jobs for all ages.* We deliver 100 meals on Sunday and they are handed out the next two days.

SAVE THE DATE

April 24

At Kim Hall’s House

19 Wayside Rd, Westborough

No, It’s not the date for a Spring Wedding, it’s a Book Discussion on a Social Justice Topic.

ALL ARE WELCOME

The idea for this discussion came out of a church service in the Fall on bailing people out of prison; and how the number of Black and Hispanic people who are incarcerated is greatly overrepresented compared to the population at large.

The title is “White Fragility” by Robin DiAngelo. The book **“everyone is talking about”** from Beacon Press.

In a nutshell, DiAngelo coined the term "white fragility"; it is a reaction in which [white people](#) feel attacked or offended

when the topic of racism arises. The book discusses many different aspects and manifestations of white fragility.

The path to a further understanding begins by our being aware that we are all racist. We’re raised in a society that has racism all around us – we can do no other. The path continues as we explore what that racism means and how we come to terms with our own understanding.

You can of course order the book from your favorite bookseller. Here are several references that will give you a shorter and more time-constrained version of the concepts underlying “White Fragility.”

For those of you who prefer seeing/hearing to reading, there’s Robin DiAngelo discussing her book.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=45ey4jgoxeU>

A Sociologist Examines the “White Fragility” that Prevents White Americans from confronting racism.

<https://www.newyorker.com/books/page-turner/a-sociologist-examines-the-white-fragility-that-prevents-white-americans-from-confronting-racism>

Why White Liberals Are So Unwilling to Recognize Their Own Racism

<https://slate.com/news-and-politics/2018/08/white-liberal-racism-why-progressives-are-unable-to-see-their-own-bigotry.html>

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