



FCRJ 2020 WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS

- Jan. 29** **Power to Heal, 7:00 pm, Cinemapolis, Ithaca. Free.** FCRJ is a co-sponsor of this film screening on the historic struggle to secure equal access to health care for all Americans. Central to the story is the tale of how Medicare, was used to mount a dramatic, coordinated effort that desegregated thousands of hospitals across the country practically overnight.
(Finger Lakes for New York Health@Fingerlakes4NYHealth)
- Feb. 1, 8 15** **Why Color Matters: 3-Part On-line Webinar, 5-7pm Eastern time.**
Can't make all three dates? No worry. Each can be reviewed by registered participants. Followed by discussion (date to be determined by the group).
Offered in conjunction with Center for the Study of White American Culture (www.euroamerican.org).
- Feb. 1-Mar. 18** **Connect Faith and Money: 6-Part On-line Webinar.** Limited to 8 participants. **Weds: Noon-1:30pm or 7:00-8:30pm.** "Money, Faith and You" is for anyone who has wondered how to deeply integrate their faith into life choices about money, time, working and lifestyle. Offered in conjunction with Faith and Money Network. Followed by FCRJ discussion, date to be determined by the group). (faithandmoneynetwork.org)
- Feb. 28-Mar. 1** **FCRJ Opening Gathering for 2020**
Corporate Apologies, Corporate Forgiveness: Steps Toward Building an Equitable Religious Society of Friends. At a round table discussion about reconciliation, a participant said, "Don't freeze people in time." She observed how we tend to remember mistakes people make and never grant them the opportunity to change.
*What if we are part of a system which is racist with different outcomes based on race?
*What if the institutions, traditions, and memories that we love reinforce/recreate racism? For centuries structural racism has continually contributed to entrenched racial inequality.
*While enslavement and racism cannot be undone, how are amends made for past and present harms?
*How do we repair the legacy of slavery that has been inherited?
During our time together, we will examine how racism, including implicit bias, and privilege, affect our understanding and experience of conflict. We will embrace discomfort to foster self-awareness, honesty, and community in a supportive environment.

- Mar. 13-15** **Intersection of Race and Gender.**
 2020 is a pivotal year for gender equality and empowerment of women and girls everywhere. This weekend is an opportunity to come together to share stories and consider local and global movements involving women:
 *Information Sharing on the Seneca Falls Seminar on Wheels
 *The 25th anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women
 *Adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action
 *64th session of the Commission on the Status of Women at the United Nations in NY March 9-20
- Mar. 27-29** **Anti-Racism Analysis Training. This training is full. A second training is being formed.** Contact Angela@fcrj.org to be added to the wait list or to register for the next training.
- April 17-19** **Racial Justice and Eco-justice: Solutions for an Earth restored.** The climate crisis has brought new urgency to concerns for both racial and eco-justice. Just as the causes are intertwined (systems based on the few dominating the many and on the objectification of living beings), so are the solutions: upholding universal human rights valuing the connections among all beings, and protecting the biosphere that supports us all.
- May 1-3** **Radical Faithfulness, Spiritual Grounding to Interrupt Racism.** A Friend asked, "How do we begin to see and examine clear examples of institutional change? A Friend responded, "We are our institutions. Is it realistic for us to expect change in our institutions without committing to seeing and interrupting racism within ourselves?" Join us for a time of discernment about our inherited narratives, and the ways culture and values can find expression in non-dominant ways.
- May 29-31** **A Case for Reparations.**
 John Woolman articulated a case for reparations for slavery.
 Our objectives for this weekend are to:
 *Update the wider body to the work of FCRJ's Working Group on Reparations;
 *Share the variety of acts of reparations that have/are taking place.
 *Continue to address the concerns and action steps created at our FCRJ Opening Session weekend of February 28 (*Corporate Apologies/Corporate Forgiveness—Steps toward Building an Equitable Religious Society of Friends*), and FCRJ's *Minute of Exercise of October 5, 2019*.
- June 5-7** **Racism and the Differently-Abled: Intertwined Hurdles for People of Color.**

FCRJ events fall into the following categories:

TRAININGS AND WORKSHOPS

- Antiracism Analysis
- Conflict Transformation
- Circle Processes
- Workshops- (See reverse side)

FUNDRAISERS/SCHOLARSHIPS

The following scholarships were established through the one-time gift of an anonymous donor. Your participation in the biennial benefit concert, workshops, and other FCRJ events continue to provide ways for others to participate in anti-racism trainings and events:

- *Frances Crowe Scholarship for Environmental Justice*
- *Diane Butler Scholarship of Welcome and Hospitality*
- *Barbara Spring Scholarship for Anti-Racism Witness*

SEMINARS ON WHEELS

The following descriptions name the primary site to be visited, but other sites to and from the primary site will be included:

1. Seneca Falls, New York

Connecting with FCRJ's Workshop focus on Intersectionality: Race and Gender, the Women's Rights Movement as well as our journey toward Right Relationship with Native Americans (other sites will include sites honoring Harriet Tubman and Sojourner Truth.)

2. Penn Center the Gullah Community, St. Helena, South Carolina

When the Civil War began, the Union rushed to blockade Confederate shipping. White planters on the Sea Islands, fearing invasion by the US Navy abandoned their plantations and fled. When Union forces arrived they found the Gullah people eager for their freedom and eager to defend it in the Union's first South Carolina Volunteers. This was the first place in the South where the enslaved peoples were freed. Long before the war ended, Quakers from Pennsylvania came down and started schools. Penn Center, now a Gullah community organization on St. Helena Island, SC, began as the first school for formerly enslaved peoples.

3. The National Peace and Justice Memorial / Lynching Memorial and the Legacy Museum, Montgomery, Alabama

4. Smithsonian and Other Museums and Research Centers:

National Museum of the American Indian
National Museum of African American History and Culture
Freer Gallery for Asian Art and Culture and the Asian Pacific
Sackler Gallery of Asian Art
United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

5. Rondo Center, Kakamega Rainforest, Kenya

FCRJ will be holding a gathering during the Friends United Meeting (FUM) Triennial during the summer of 2020.

FAITHFUL FRIENDSHIP FELLOWSHIPS

Opportunities to support one another on our journey of Spiritual Activism

1. First Friday Film Fellowship
2. Spiritual Direction and Companionship within a racial justice context
3. Anti-racism clearness and support groups
4. Worship Sharing and connecting with local and other Friends' Antiracism worship sharing groups
5. Spiritual Development through Study: Quakerism 201, Spiritual Activism, the Books of the Bible and anti-racism book studies
6. Intentional Community:

Two opportunities – from three weeks to three months:

The summer of 2020 -- from June to September 1

The winter of 2020 / 2021 -- from November to February 1