



**“The River of Struggle: Black Life in the Americas”**

**February 18 (note date change from the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> due to Super Bowl Sunday)**

**& March 11  
“The Secret of Joy: How the Struggle Continues”**

Both events will be at St. Matthew’s New Life Church from

**4:00 - 6:00 pm  
Featured Speaker: Rev. Stephen Marsh**



Rev. Stephen Marsh serves as co-pastor of Lake Edge Lutheran Church and is engaged as a community organizer, activist, writer, and speaker. Originally from the Chicago area, Stephen graduated from Northwestern University with a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and Political Science. He went on to graduate from Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio with a Masters of Divinity. He also attended Makumira Theological College in Arusha, Tanzania. He has served parishes in Queens, New York; Chicago, Illinois, and Brooklyn, New York. He served as an Assistant to the Bishop and later as the Bishop of the Southeast Michigan Synod of the ELCA, located in Detroit. Rev. Marsh was a lead writer for Rooted in the Gospel, an African-American Spiritual Experience and is a published writer for The Lutheran magazine. If won’t take you long to understand that he has a passion for social justice.

Thank you to **New Life** for hosting these Racial Equity Ministry events and their efforts to record the events for a coming webpage where the events will be accessible for congregations to utilize. Racial Equity Ministry team members will be happy to come to a congregation to lead a discussion related to the events recorded.

No registration required...Just come! This event is sponsored by the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin Racial Equity Ministry Team. This team was created as an outcome of the resolution that was passed at our 2017 Synod Assembly and is working diligently to help you to lift up matters of Racial Equity in your congregations. Please do put these events on your calendar and invite others to join you in becoming more educated on issues of racial justice. Together we will do God’s work of loving our brothers and sisters.

**Location: St. Matthew’s New Life Church/7564 Cottage Grove Road/Madison**

**Dear White Christians: A Path toward Racial Justice with Dr. Jennifer Harvey - Friday, February 9th, 2018 7:00 - 9:00 pm**

*(This Event Is Recommended by the SCSW Racial Equity Team )*

This is the first of two identical events. *For the event on Saturday in Wauwatosa, click here*

<http://www.wcucc.org/event/dear-white-christians-path-toward-racial-justice-dr-jennifer-harvey-2/>

**Fountain of Life Covenant Church, 633 Badger Road, Madison, WI**

Dr. Jennifer Harvey, author of *Dear White Christians: For Those Still Longing for Racial Reconciliation*, will be in Wisconsin to speak and share conversation on the subject of the church and racial justice. Harvey, Professor of Religion at Drake University in Des Moines, specializes in encounters of religion and ethics with race, gender, activism, politics, spirituality, justice, and other aspects of social life. She has spoken and led workshops for faith communities and academic audiences around the nation. She is also a regular contributor to the Huffington Post and keeps her own blog: [formations.livingattheintersections.com](http://formations.livingattheintersections.com).

She will offer identical presentations at two sites, one in Madison on the evening of February 9, and one in Wauwatosa on the morning of February 10. Advanced registrations are welcome through the Wisconsin Conference of the United Church of Christ at [www.wcucc.org](http://www.wcucc.org). Persons are also welcome to register at the door. The cost is \$10. Jennifer Harvey's appearance in Wisconsin is sponsored by the Mutton Lectureship group of the Wisconsin Conference of the United Church of Christ in cooperation with the Mission Team of the Southeast Wisconsin Association of the UCC.

[For a flyer about the event to display at your church, please click here \(PDF\)](#)