



MLK DAY OF 2024 LEARNING



**LIVING THE DREAM:
IT STARTS WITH ME**
SPREADING HOPE, COURAGE & UNITY

JANUARY 15, 2024
AT CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH & COYLE FREE LIBRARY

HOSTED BY
RACIAL RECONCILIATION
OF FRANKLIN COUNTY




INTRODUCTION

“So even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream. I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal...

This is our hope. This is the faith that I go back to the South with. With this faith, we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope. With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood. With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together, to go to jail together, to stand up for freedom together, knowing that we will be free one day.

I have a DREAM

that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: *We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal...* 

REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

This will be the day when all of God's children will be able to sing with new meaning: My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing. Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride, from every mountainside, let freedom ring.

And if America is to be a great nation, this must become true.”

- *Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.*

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& organizations play a role in bringing
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CHILDREN / YOUTH TRACK

DROP-OFF LOCATION: COYLE FREE LIBRARY

PICK-UP LOCATION: CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN

For kids grades K-8th. Kids will enjoy story time, arts and crafts, entertainment, and more while providing a safe space to learn about and discuss age-appropriate topics related to racial justice.

SCHEDULE

10:45 - 11:15 AM	* REGISTRATION Library Atrium, Main Floor <i>*Legal guardian must be present at drop-off to sign forms.</i>
LUNCH	BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH Library Community Room, Ground Floor
11:30 AM	ROUND 1 WORKSHOPS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kids K thru 5th grades in sensory & art programming• Youth 6th thru 8th grades in scavenger hunt
12:15 PM	BATHROOM BREAK
12:30 PM	ROUND 2 WORKSHOPS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kids K thru 5th grades in scavenger hunt programming• Youth 6th thru 8th grades in sensory & art programming
1:15 PM	BATHROOM BREAK
1:30 PM	PEACE MARCH to Central Presbyterian Church
1:45 PM	BOOK GIVEAWAY, SNACK, & RECREATION
2:55 PM	ENTERTAINMENT CPC sanctuary
3:30 PM	* PICK UP CPC lobby <i>*Must be picked up by legal guardian.</i>





ADULT/TEEN TRACK

LOCATION: CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Gather with participants from throughout Franklin County for this free Day of Learning to dive into principals and issues surrounding diversity, equity, inclusion, community-building, and social cohesion.

SCHEDULE

- 10:45AM WELCOME & CATERED LUNCH
- 11:30AM GENERAL SESSION
Racial Reconciliation, Franklin County
We are a community that nurtures, equips, and mobilizes people to work for racial justice in Franklin County and beyond.
- 12:20PM TRAVEL TO WORKSHOP
OF YOUR CHOICE
- 12:30PM *WORKSHOPS
1. **"Navigating the American Dream"**
A Simulation Workshop led by Angie Wilt & Lysie Turner of LIU12 Franklin Co. Literacy Council + 4 station facilitators
 2. **"It Starts with Me: Becoming an Anti-Racist"**
Inspiring awareness, reflection and action with Mark Smith
 3. **"Finding Hope Within the Healthcare System"**
A Panel Discussion with Local Healthcare Professionals, moderated by Sharon Brosious
 4. **"Optimism and Courage... Social Emotional Learning Toward a Racially-Just Purpose."**
Presented by Michaëlle Plotner
 5. **"Crossing the Continental Divide"**
An introduction to the reconciling work of Braver Angels

**More info provided on next pages*



SCHEDULE (CONTINUED)

2:00PM	TRAVEL TO KEYNOTE SESSION
2:10PM	KEYNOTE SESSION
3:15PM	CLOSING RECOGNITIONS AND REMARKS

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Choose one of the following to attend...

NAVIGATING THE AMERICAN DREAM

A Simulation Workshop led by Angie Wilt and Lysie Turner & 4 Station Facilitators

PRESENTER BIOS:

- *Lysie Turner serves as the Adult Education Case Manager for LIU12 Franklin and Adams County Literacy Councils, where she assumes an integral role overseeing various aspects of adult education. Her responsibilities encompass student intake, orientation, and assessment, as well as providing barrier assistance and facilitating education and employment transition services. Her dedication to advancing adult education aligns seamlessly with the mission of the Literacy Councils, making her a valuable asset to our community.*
- *Angie Wilt is the Adult Education Coordinator at LIU12 Franklin County Literacy Council, bringing a practical and heartfelt approach to adult learning. With a solid foundation in Adult Education, she collaborates with staff, volunteers, and community partners to provide programs that genuinely meet agency learner and community needs. Under her leadership, the council has seen growth - not just in numbers but in community impact - reflecting Angie's commitment to accessible and effective education for all adults.*

OBJECTIVES:

- Present anecdotal and statistical data to portray a genuine profile of our immigrant population.
- Promote a critical examination of personal and systemic misconceptions and biases regarding immigrant populations.
- Provide participants with opportunities to engage in simulation exercises that replicate the daily barriers faced by immigrants.
- Allocate time for reflection and facilitate discussions on perspectives within both small and large group settings.



IT STARTS WITH ME: BECOMING AN ANTI-RACIST

Inspiring awareness, reflection and action with Mark Smith

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PRESENTER BIO:

Mark is an accomplished educator with 28 years of experience as a teacher, administrator and school board director. Throughout his career, he has been a passionate advocate for children, always striving to provide them with the best possible education and opportunities to succeed. As an administrator, he has worked tirelessly to create positive learning environments and implement innovative programs that help students reach their full potential. As a board president and the first African-American elected to the school board in Waynesboro, he has been a strong voice for students and families, working to ensure that every child has access to a quality education.

OBJECTIVES:

- *Increased Awareness:* Audience members gain a deeper understanding of what it means to be anti-racist.
- *Personal Reflection:* Encouragement for individuals to reflect on their own beliefs, biases, and actions.
- *Knowledge and Education:* Increased awareness of historical and systemic issues related to racism.
- *Promotion of Inclusive Language:* Awareness of the power of language and the importance of using inclusive language.
- *Understanding of Intersectionality:* Recognition of the intersectionality of identities and experiences.
- *Allyship and Advocacy:* Encouragement for individuals to become allies in the fight against racism.
- *Creation of Safe Places:* Understanding of the importance of creating inclusive and safe environments.
- *Call to Action:* Empowerment for individuals to take tangible actions in their personal and professional lives. Encouragement to engage in anti-racist initiatives, organizations, or community projects.



FINDING HOPE WITHIN OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

A panel discussion with healthcare professionals

MODERATOR BIO:

Sharon Brosious worked for 47 years in the Chambersburg medical community & now serves as a part-time Pharmacy Tech at Park Ave. Pharmacy. She also worked in a Migrant Health Clinic for 13 years, was the founder and CEO of CVBCA for 27 years & captained the Franklin Co. PBCC for 25 years.

PANELISTS:

- *Emily Hoger, CNM MSM of Keystone Health Center*
- *Desiree Ortiz, Bilingual Outreach Worker of the KHC/HIV Program*

OBJECTIVES:

- Know the particular risk and recommended screenings for your demographic.
- Know how and where to access care in your community.
- Know what efforts are being made to improve health outcomes for the increased risks groups in the US.



OPTIMISM AND COURAGE...

Social Emotional Learning Toward a Racially-Just Purpose

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PRESENTER BIO:

Michaëlle is a member of the Six Seconds Emotional Intelligence Network (6seconds.org) and certified as an EQ Assessor and Educator. Her leadership as a community network leader aligns with her sincere commitment to empowering individuals by utilizing emotions for personal and collective growth. Her dedication extends to the Civility Response Network committee, where she advocates for a world where emotional literacy promotes a shared humanity. Michaëlle's global impact is evident through her facilitation of free, interactive emotional intelligence cafés, online and in person, providing spaces for emotional exploration and positive transformation. Her passion is to provide resources for others to learn and practice emotional intelligence skills. Inspired by the resilience of leaders navigating the complex relationship between emotional awareness and social justice, she tirelessly champions others to embrace emotions as catalysts to create positive change for themselves and others.

OBJECTIVES:

- Discover the link between optimism and courage to dismantle racism
- Put emotional intelligence into Action with the Know-Choose-Give© EQ Model - Six Seconds
- Ask Three Courage Questions to take action towards a racially just purpose



CROSSING THE CONTINENTAL DIVIDE

*An introduction to the work of Braver Angels and
an overview of its principles*

PRESENTER BIO:

*Linda Beck is a volunteer co-director of the national Braver Angels
Ambassador Program.*

OBJECTIVES:

- Participate in two brief activities (one taken directly from the *Depolarizing Within workshop)
- Watch a video of a Braver Angels' Red/Blue workshop in action
- Gain knowledge about how to have better conversations
- Learn about other Braver Angels' experiences and opportunities
- *This presentation is not intended to replace a skills-based workshop. Depolarizing Within is recommended as a first workshop for anyone interested to learn and practice skills related to depolarization.



KEYNOTE SESSION

SCHEDULE

- 2:20PM WELCOME AND REFLECTIONS
BY RACIAL RECONCILIATION
- 2:15PM TODAY'S PRESENTING
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- 2:17PM INTRODUCTION OF
TODAY'S KIDS CHOIR
- 2:18PM KIDS CHOIR
- 2:24PM INTRODUCTION OF
DREW G.I. HART
- 2:26PM KEYNOTE SPEAKER
- 2:55PM INTRODUCTION OF DR. FELICIA
BROWN-HAYWOOD
- 2:57PM "LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING"
- 3:03PM INTRODUCTION OF
DOC MIME MINSITRY
- 3:05PM DOC MIME MINISTRY
- 3:15PM CLOSING RECOGNITIONS
AND REMARKS

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

DREW G.I. HART

Introduced by Dr. Linda Thomas Worthy

Drew G. I. Hart is an author, activist, and professor in theology in the Bible and Religion department at Messiah University with ten years of pastoral experience. Hart majored in Biblical Studies at Messiah College as an undergrad, he attained his MDiv with an urban concentration from Biblical Theological Seminary, and he received his PhD in theology and ethics from Lutheran Theological Seminary-Philadelphia.

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Dr. Hart’s dissertation considered how Christian discipleship, as framed by Black theologies and contemporary Anabaptism, gesture the western Church towards untangling the forces of white supremacy and the inertia of western Christendom which have plagued its witness in society for too long. As two traditions that emerged from the underside of violent and oppressive western Christian societies, he found Black theologies and Anabaptism each repeatedly turning to the particularity of Jesus in the gospel narratives, ultimately calling for an ethic of liberation in the Black Church and an ethic of peacemaking in the Anabaptist tradition. Hart finds the practice of reading Jesus not only for the Church, but also against it, to be a vital dimension in salvaging western Christianity from itself.

His work beyond teaching and writing has included pastoring in Harrisburg and Philadelphia, working for an inner-city afterschool program for black and brown middle school boys, delivering lectures and leading anti-racism workshops, collaborating with faith-based organizers in his neighborhood, and doing a broad range of public theology. Hart sees his current role as a theology professor as an extension of his ministry vocation that began with pastoral leadership.

[Trouble I’ve Seen: Changing the Way the Church Views Racism](#) by Drew Hart, was chosen as a 2016 book of the month by Englewood Review of Books. Reviewing the book, Shane Claiborne said, “This book is a gift from the heart of one of the sharpest young theologians in the United States. Hold it carefully, and allow it to transform you—and our blood-stained streets.” As a text, *Trouble I’ve Seen* utilizes personal and everyday stories, Jesus-shaped theological ethics, and anti-racism frameworks to transform the church’s understanding and witness.

Dr. Drew Hart was recently the recipient of bcmPEACE’s 2017 Peacemaker Award for his local and national work. You can find some of Hart’s writing at his blog entitled ‘Taking Jesus Seriously’ which is hosted at [The Christian Century](#), or you can catch him as he travels and speaks regularly across the country to colleges, conferences, and churches. Drew and Renee, and their three boys (Micah, Dietrich, and Vincent) live in Harrisburg.

ENTERTAINMENT

DOC MIME MINISTRY

Introduced by Jennifer Good

The DOC Mime Ministry's mission is to win souls for Christ through body language, expression, and mime.

History:

Gospel mime comes out of a rich history of spiritual expression that stretches back centuries in America and Africa. Whereas traditional gospel performances are structured around live vocal and instrumental performances, Gospel Mime blends non-verbal communication with pre-recorded gospel music. As a ministry, Gospel Mime expands the line of liturgical song and dance, which has been an important part of Black Christian worship services since the 1970s, and has sparked debate about the role of dance and the body in worship practices.



DR. FELICIA BROWN-HAYWOOD

Accompanied by Cheryl Hawkins,

music director & instructor

Introduced by Marvin Worthy



Dr. Brown-Haywood (affectionately known as Dr. Felicia) is an educator, a mentor, an inspirational speaker and a servant leader who contributes her life's foundation to her mother who instilled in her a faith tradition that shows love and "uplifting" for all people. She believes that it is important to grow with S.T.Y.L.E. Substantive Tools that Yield Leadership Enhancement. It is her belief that everyone has S.T.Y.L.E. and the ability to lead on their life's journey and or the ability to assist others on their leadership journey, if given the proper access to requisite resources. When asked how she describes herself, she responds by saying, "as a woman who serves on purpose for the purpose of community building through the lens of equity and social justice." She is the CEO/founder and lead counselor/consultant for Harvest 3 Gathering LLC – Counseling~Coaching~Consulting.

Dr. Brown-Haywood has earned her multiple degrees, licenses, & certifications including Inter-Cultural Communications and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Workplace from Cornell University, and Certificate from the University of Cape Town in South Africa for Executive Management and Leadership Coaching coursework. She currently serves as the Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusive Excellence at Lebandon Valley College.

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Prior to this assignment, she served as Chief Diversity Officer for Millersville University and in various positions at Penn State University – Harrisburg Campus for 35 years. She was in the role of Senior Director of Student Affairs and Engagement when she retired from Penn State University.

Dr. Brown-Haywood has been the recipient of many distinguished community awards and has sung all over the east coast in reputable venues, such as Carnegie Hall. Dr. Felicia completed and published her first book/journal titled “My Tee Shirt Is Speaking” a strength-based journal that shares the transforming voices of women through their testimonies; the book is available on Amazon.com. She has also graced the community with her soulful captivating singing voice in a CD project titled “Singing My Way Through In Sacred Face: The Healing Properties of African American Spirituals.

Dr. Felicia chaired the Race Against Racism Committee, sponsored by the Y.W.C.A. of Greater Harrisburg for three consecutive years. Dr. Felicia is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. and served as Chaplin for three consecutive years. She also served on the Dauphin County Systems of Care Parent Advisory Committee. In addition to her most recent publications listed above she also co-authored The Intersecting Roles Religion, Culture and Spirituality – Book Chapter in Feminist Popular Education – Internationally (2011) (co-authored) and “The Living Colors of Transformation in Education: Multi-dimensional and Cultural Perspective is featured in the 2006 Transformative Learning Journal – (co-authored). She has also served as a contributing writer for Harrisburg’s premier woman’s magazine - Women Connect. Dr. Felicia is a national workshop facilitator with concentration areas in Transforming Leadership, Holistic Empowerment, and Planting Life Skills for Living.



“LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING”

also known as the Black National Anthem

VERSE 1

Lift ev'ry voice and sing
Till earth and heaven ring
Ring with the harmonies of liberty
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the list'ning skies
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea
Sing a song full of the faith
That the dark past has taught us
Sing a song full of the hope
That the present has brought us
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun
Let us march on till victory is won

VERSE 2

Stony the road we trod
Bitter the chast'ning rod
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died
Yet with a steady beat
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed
We have come over a way
That with tears has been watered
We have come treading our path
Through the blood of the slaughtered
Out from the gloomy past
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast

VERSE 3

God of our weary years
God of our silent tears
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way
Thou who hast by Thy might
Led us into the light
Keep us forever in the path we pray
Lest our feet stray from the places
Our God where we met Thee
Lest our hearts drunk with the wine
Of the world we forget Thee
Shadowed beneath Thy hand
May we forever stand
True to our God true to our native land

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COMMUNITY KIDS CHOIR

Introduced by Erin Adams

Today's kids choir features kids from Network Ministries and Central Presbyterian Church.

- Network Ministries is an urban youth ministry for children and teens in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. Its mission is to share in the love of Christ with those who are most vulnerable in our community. We especially seek to equip children and young adults with the skills necessary for spiritual growth, academic achievement, life management, and Christian leadership.
- Central Presbyterian Church has been on the square of downtown Chambersburg since 1868 and has committed to the vision of 'Sharing the Heart of Christ from the Heart of the City' through Loving God, Loving Each Other, and Loving the World.

We are thrilled to bring kids together through the gift of song.

PIECES

•
"I Am Somebody (Giant)"
from Sesame Street

•
"The Greatest Commandment"
by The Porter's Gate



At the end of today's event, we will be
RECOGNIZING AND HONORING
*a community individual, an organization, and a
business who have been working toward Racial
Justice in our area faithfully. We thank you.*

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FOR JOINING US FOR A DAY OF LEARNING**

"INJUSTICE ANYWHERE IS A THREAT
TO JUSTICE EVERYWHERE." - MLK

**NOW GO OUT INTO THE WORLD AND
FIGHT FOR JUSTICE**

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