



Inviting you to be part of the next cohort

Sacred Ground

*A print and film-based dialogue series on
race and faith*

*11 Zoom sessions, meeting Thursday evening
every two weeks for discussion and reflection,
with orientation on **September 25, 2025***

What is Sacred Ground?

- Part of The Episcopal Church racial reconciliation focus
 - Rich set of resources – video and “print”
 - Focused on dialogue circles – small groups
- Component of Becoming Beloved Community →
- Telling the truth requires learning the truth
 - Integrating with personal history and emotions
 - Healing internally
- Repentance means thinking, acting, and living differently
- Racial reconciliation begins with dismantling racism
- Dismantling racism promotes racial healing



Topics in the Sacred Ground curriculum:

- Stepping onto Sacred Ground
- Roots of Whiteness
- Indigenous History
- Transatlantic Slave Trade and Slavery
- Latino History
- Asian/Pacific American History
- The Melting Pot and the American Dream
- Divisions in Present Day White America
- Racism's Long Life
- Grief, Reckoning, and Repentance
- Post series planning: Walk On: The Journey after Sacred Ground

More information on the series: <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground/>

Attendees are asked to purchase the two books from which there are selected readings throughout the series: Howard Thurman's **Jesus and the Disinherited** and Debby Irving's **Waking Up White**. Some copies are also available to borrow from the St. Matthew's library.

Please email joyce.statz@gmail.com for the Zoom link and to register for the series.