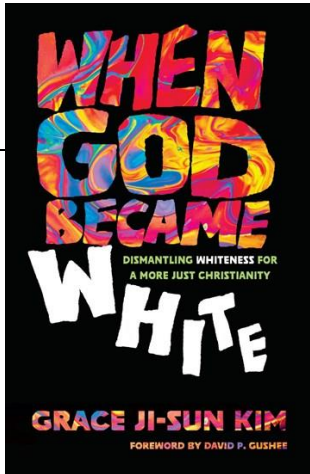


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Summit United Methodist Church
August 22, 2024



Anti-Racist Book Study *When God Became White*

We are excited to share an enriching opportunity for spiritual growth and community transformation: the **Anti-racist Book Study**.

You are invited you to explore [Dr. Grace Ji-Sun Kim's](#) insightful book *When God Became White: Dismantling Whiteness for a More Just Christianity*.

Why Participate? Our commitment to the gospel compels us to confront racism and work toward justice for all God’s children. This book delves into how whiteness has influenced Christian theology and practice, challenging us to rethink our beliefs, recognize our biases, and take tangible steps toward racial justice. Discipleship Ministries supports the ongoing efforts of the Council of Bishops, the General Commission on Religion and Race, and others with resources and opportunities that focus on antiracist discipleship.

How to Join Everyone, regardless of background or prior experience with antiracism work, is welcome This study is for anyone willing to engage in honest dialogue and work toward a more just Christianity.

Key Dates - Mark your calendars for the four webinars with the author:

Books are available in the church office for \$14

- Tuesday, September 3, 2024
- Tuesday, September 10, 2024
- Tuesday, September 17, 2024
- Tuesday, September 24, 2024

Sign up in the welcome center or contact the church office

All sessions are held at: 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM ET

Join us on this important journey. Together, we can work toward anti-racist discipleship and build a faith community that truly reflects Christ's love and justice.

Upcoming Dates...

Sunday for September 8th Church Membership – talk to Pastor Jeff if you would like to become a member

Summit Church **Supper Club** will be held on September 21st at 6 PM at the Colony Restaurant at 2670 W. 8th Street in Erie. This will be a time of gathering to dine and share fellowship. Dinner will be ordered off of the restaurant menu. Please sign up in advance by September 15th as we need to inform the restaurant of our numbers for a reservation. Please join Pastor Jeff for a time of food and fellowship.

Vacation Bible School Update: This year's theme was Kingdom Rock where the children learned that they can stand strong with God! A total of 14 children came during our 3 day VBS. Our mission project was to help EUMA with the children's offerings. Though we were small in size our God does mighty things! The children brought in a total of 391.22, which was donated on Erie Gives Day!



<https://summitumc.net/calendar/>

Our Y is coming back!

Please be careful when coming and going from the church during the week as our kiddos from the Y are coming back and will be using the church as well as cub scouts and others! Be especially careful when driving and parking in the church lot!



Blessing of the Backpacks- this Sunday, September 25th we will be getting ready for back to school and blessing our backpacks during worship, so remember to bring your backpacks or briefcases to worship for a special blessing.

Asbury Class Prepares to start meeting again.....

On Sunday September 8th following church we will meet for a food and fellowship brunch to catch up from our last meeting. On the following Sunday, September 15th we will begin reading and discussing the Old Testament Book of 1 Samuel. We are welcoming all to join us if you are looking to join a class.

See Lana Celeski if you have any questions.