

Hello and thanks again for your interest in the workings of our Mount Olivet Racial Equity (MORE) Team.

Here are several ways you can continue exploring, uplifting, and embracing our diverse Twin Cities community.

ATTEND:

1. [Mount Olivet Lutheran Church of Plymouth](#) - Guest speaker **Dianne Haulcy** - Nov 1, 6:30-7:45pm

(Join us as Dianne participates in 6:30 worship, then shares her wisdom 7:15-7:45pm) Explore how racial bias begins to form in children, and gain tools for talking to children about race. Creator and host of Early Risers, a podcast from MPR, and Little Moments Count, Dianne offers frank facts, engaging stories, and real how-tos for anyone who cares about raising children with a clear-eyed understanding of cultural differences, race, and implicit bias. More details [here](#).

2. [THE LOST NEGROES OF NORTH AMERICA: A SILENT FILM EXPERIENCE](#)

Nov 2, 4:30pm at Best Buy Theater in Northrup (University of MN campus.) Free event, registration requested.

Independent journalist Ralph L. Crowder III examines a different perspective of northern family and community life in South Minneapolis from 1945–1955. The silent film experience includes exceptionally rare 8mm silent film footage from The Frances E. Thompson Digital Library for Family Research and will be accompanied by live, in-theater performances by a DJ, three-piece band, and poet. Prior to the screening, Crowder will be joined on stage by colleagues to discuss this needed reflection on community life. Reception to follow.

3. **For the People** at the Guthrie Theater, through Nov 12

A world premier comedy by Native voices, created in partnership with the local Indigenous community, examines the myriad facets of contemporary Native life with humor and joy. Details and tickets [here](#).

4. [A Conversation with Junauda Petrus](#)

Nov 16, 6:00pm at O'Shaughnessy Auditorium (St. Catherine University campus.) Free event, entry ticket required.

Join us for an evening of critical conversation and creative magic as author, Junauda Petrus, shares her writing, art, and activism. Petrus is author of [The Stars and the Blackness Between Them](#), a Coretta Scott King Honor book and the 2023 St. Kate's One Read for Racial Justice book.

PARTICIPATE:

Join the **Anti-Racism vigil** at [Edina Community Lutheran Church](#) - Nov 19, 12:15-12:45pm (monthly, 3rd Thursday)

Meet on the steps of the church and march to France Avenue, in solidarity with our black, brown, and indigenous neighbors. Begun in April, 2021, we continue these vigils monthly as both a statement of solidarity and a spiritual practice. [CLICK HERE](#) for information on why we gather each month for this vigil.

EXPERIENCE:

1. [Many Voices, Many Stories, One Place](#)

Experience the converging histories of [Historic Fort Snelling](#) in this new immersive exhibit, told through real people's perspectives including Dakota and Ojibwe people, Japanese-Americans, immigrants, enslaved African American people, soldiers, and fur traders, at one of the most pivotal sites in Minnesota history.

2. [In Our Hands: Native Photography, 1890 to Now](#) at Mpls Institute of Arts - through January 14

Enter into the vivid worlds of Native photography, as framed by generations of First Nations, Métis, Inuit, and Native American photographers themselves. Presenting over 150 photographs of, by, and for Indigenous people, "In Our Hands" welcomes all to see through the lens held by Native photographers.

LISTEN:

Haha Wakpadan / Bassett Creek Oral History Project - a free podcast series created by [Valley Community Presbyterian Church](#) and Hennepin History Museum (Search online or access through your preferred podcast service.) In Mni Sóta Makoce (Minnesota), Indigenous people have lived, worked, and played near [Háña Wakpadan](#) (Bassett Creek) for thousands of years. Through an oral history project, 15 Indigenous people share how they experience the watershed as part of their historic and contemporary cultures. The interviews were conducted by Dr. Kasey Keeler with support from Valley Community Presbyterian Church (VCPC) and partners.

And if you discover something you'd like to share with us, please send me the info. Thanks!

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." -Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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