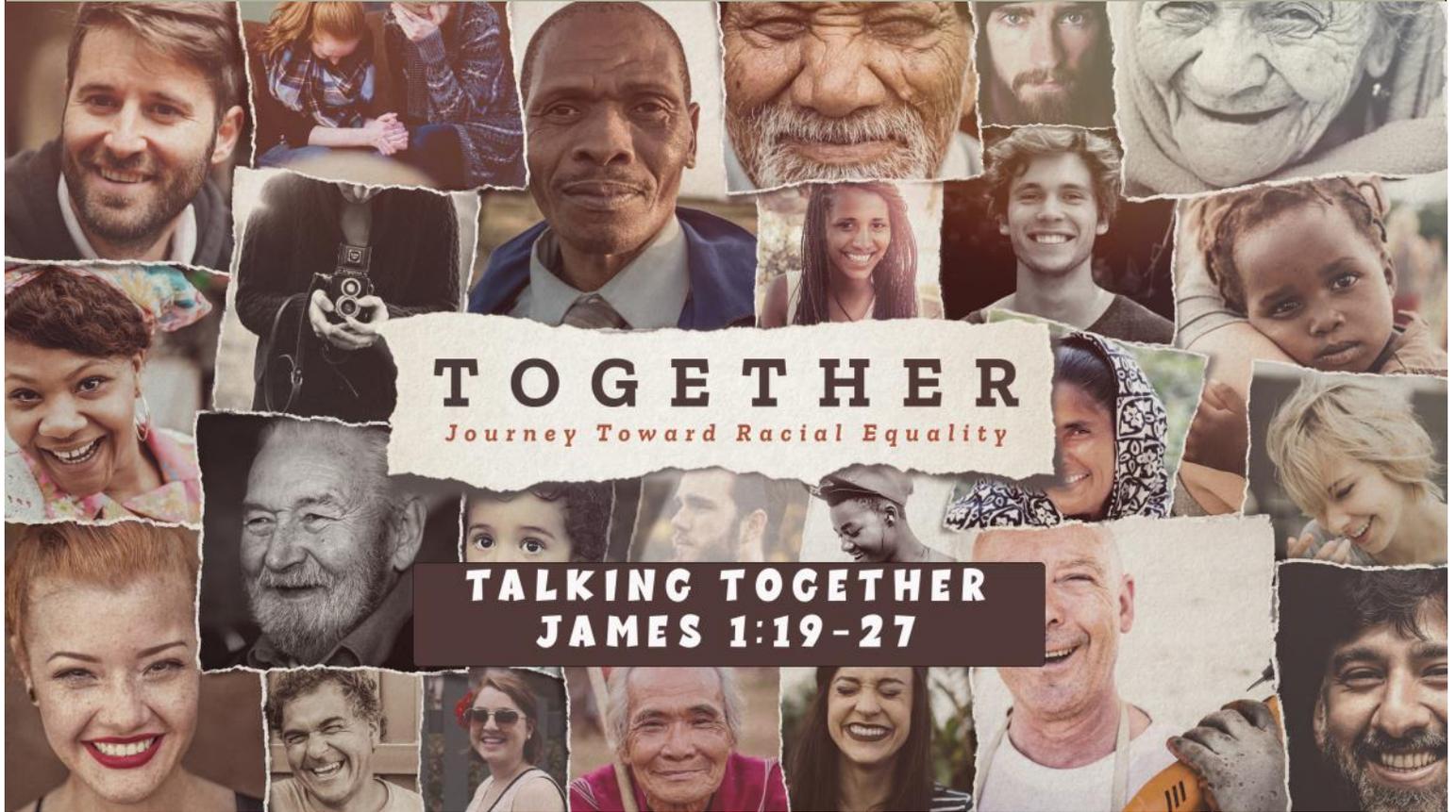


Wellspring

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP



TOGETHER

Journey Toward Racial Equality

**TALKING TOGETHER
JAMES 1:19-27**

February 7, 2021

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We have always perceived ourselves as a people of freedom. Freedom of equality, of human decency, of the right to live without fear. These freedoms have been given to us by many who have sacrificed greatly. In many ways, we believe the war has been won, that we have arrived, but if we open our eyes, we can see the dream has not been fully realized. There are still battles to fight, still inequalities present, still souls suffering, and our faith demands more than awareness. We are held responsible to work together, to do justly, to love mercy, and to serve the least of these.

Our series, "Together: Journey Toward Racial Equality" is a commitment to identify areas of racism within our communities and ourselves. To have conversations and take action that lead to positive transformation for God's glory. The journey may not always be easy, but it's worth it.

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us. If you are new, please feel free to ask questions, be yourself, get connected, and let us know if there is anything we can do to make your experience most memorable.

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small things BIG DIFFERENCE
 2021 ESTIMATED GIVING CARD
 "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed...nothing will be impossible for you!" Matthew 17:20

Yes, I will pray for the mission and ministry of First United Methodist Church McKinney.

I pledge to make a difference by giving:
 \$ _____ per week month year
 for an annual total of \$ _____ for 2021.

Have you completed your estimate of giving?

There is still time! Mail your card or fill it out online!

Please visit www.sharingtheheart.org/grow to fill out your card.

McKinney Methodist
2021 Estimate of Giving

Name(s): _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone(s): _____
 Email(s): _____
 I would like information on setting up recurring giving from my bank account.

VIRTUAL SUPER BOWL PARTY
 Feb. 7 - 4:30 - Watch your TV, smack talk on Zoom

SCOUT SUNDAY 2021

Celebrate Scouting Sunday by submitting a picture of you in your Scout Uniform!

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

All current and former Scouts are encouraged to participate. Submit a picture using the QR code below, or email to Chris Rickwartz: crickwartz@sharingtheheart.org.

girl scouts

Any troop, any time, anywhere, let us see those pictures!

Pictures will be shared on Scouting Sunday, February 14, 2021

Active-duty military, veterans, and their families, please join us for

Military & Veterans Prayer Fellowship

Speaker: John Thompson, Collin County Veterans Service Officer.

Presentation on changes in benefits and services of Veterans Services.

Meetings at 10am via Zoom
Second Wednesday of the Month

For Zoom link and more information on the Military & Veterans Prayer Fellowship, contact:

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64 UNITS DONATED AT LEAST 192 LIVES SAVED!

HOPE School
 2021-2022
 registration is now open!

EMAIL MS. JANE AT JMILLS@SHARINGTHEHEART.ORG OR CALL 214-592-8915
 Children must turn 2 by 9/1/21

Together:
Journey Toward Racial Equality

Sermon: Talking Together Scripture: James 1:19-27

Today's Preacher: Dr. April Bristow

Sermon Notes

1. Have you ever said something to someone out of anger or frustration? How did you feel?
 - a. Maybe you felt glad to express your feelings?
 - b. Maybe it felt good to hurt the other person with your words, since they likely hurt you in the past?
 - c. Maybe you regret what you said and wish you could take it back?
2. The Letter of James is filled with instruction in being doers of the word and not merely hearers. One deep concern is the power of speech to do harm, especially speech that is driven by anger.
3. Read James 1:19-27
4. In verse 19, one is encouraged to "be quick to listen." Can you think of persons who are quick to listen to you, who give you their full attention, and who ask questions about your concerns?
5. What is your feeling towards those who are good listeners?
6. In verse 26, James becomes even more compassionate about the necessity of controlling speech. In a sense, he says those who are devoted to God must control their speech or their devotion is worthless. Controlling what we say is not always easy. Does your life currently consist of gossip, cynicism, falsehoods, sarcasm, slurs, belittling, or abusive language?
7. If so, spend a moment in prayer asking for God's forgiveness and the wisdom and strength to speak words of righteousness and love.
8. Read Ephesians 4:29.
9. According to this verse, what should our words do?
10. Consider how your words will build others up and be beneficial to those who hear them.
11. Spend time in prayer.



"Like" our Facebook page and be sure to check-in online! For every new "like" and "check-in" we receive, we will provide three meals to hungry kids!

That's right! Your simple check-in helps spread the word about Wellspring and feeds kids. This is a simple click of the button that can have a big impact. Scan the QR code with your smart phone camera to be taken to our Facebook page.

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Text **FIRSTUMC** to **73256** to make your tithes and offerings by text.
Standard text messaging rates may apply

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PRAYER REQUESTS



IN OUR PRAYERS

† Cindy Ceballos, the Anderson Family and the Pinner Family on the passing of Cindy's sister Renae Pinner (*David and Cindy Ceballos are Missionaries in Panama*)

† Merielle Boatman and family on the passing of her younger brother Darius John Herold

† Beverly Skaines and family on the passing of her husband Wyatt Skaines

† Marty Smith and family on the passing of his mother Frances Smith

† Frank and Arthur Williams and family on the passing of their mother Jean Williams

- Bianca Lima
- Charlotte Boring Womack
- David Franck
- Erika Bazan
- Gaither Day
- Jerry Harbert
- Jon Day
- Judy Cox
- Judy Gay
- Lee Tipoff
- Lorraine Brown
- Mark Kinney
- Marion Morgan
- Marti Kale
- Mary Purtle
- Merium Balistero
- Pat Anderson
- Paul Balistero
- Ron Wiese
- Sherry Kirwin
- Stephanie Kircher
- Tina Cristino
- Wanda Hunter
- Zach Williams Rev. David and Cindy Ceballos, Missionaries in Panama

- Chad & Nancy Bradley, Missionaries in Ethiopia
- All our members in care facilities
- Everyone affected by the Coronavirus
- Families experiencing job loss
- Those experiencing homelessness
- McKinney Warming station, the homeless, volunteers
- Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti
- Melissa United Methodist Church
- Caldwell Elementary School
- Military service members including: Capt Scott Adler, Capt Libby Adler, Sofia Lerma Alarcon, 1st Lt Joe Beeby, Marc Belo, CPL Matthew Broker, CT12 Abigail Burns, CPT Aaron Bush, CPL Bradley Bush, AFC Drew Causey, 2nd Lt Vincent Chavez, Capt Ryan Clark, PFC Paul Confalone, Sgt Martin Damian DeLeon, GY Sgt Jim Ellsworth, Kevin English, Patrick English, James Evans, Lt Col David Faulk, PFC Cody Furstenberg, Charlie Gilbert, LC CPL Robert Gray, ETN2 Cory Halberstadt, CPT Josh Hewett, Pvt John Wesley Holder Jr., LT Mark Jbeily, Lt Col Jim Johnston, Ryan Kidd, Avery Montana Krast, Lt Ryan Lubin, Alec Mack, Lt Logan McQuerry, Maj. Richard Milam, Chap MAJ Tim Shepherd, Maj Chuck Miller, AFC Kevin G. Persons, Jr., MSGT, SFC Tyler Renshaw, 2nd Lt. Austin Rine, Bobby Sanders, SR4 Nick Schofield, Colby Seamster II, Jonathan Spiegel, CW2 Ryan Thurgood, Mark Townson, Specialist Zach Vernier, CPL Mike Wilkes, Jose Almaguer, SPC Blake Robertson, Cap John Martin.