

## FAITH & JUSTICE CLASS 2015-16 JUSTICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

*A Chance to Explore Justice, Faith, Leadership Skills, Positionality, and Our Own Vocation for Justice*

**Personal Stories & Justice:** Woven through all the classes

**Classes** are two hours + potluck unless otherwise noted; they will rotate among churches

**Capitals** refer to themes covered in class

### September:

- **Leadership in Advocacy Training LEADERSHIP SKILLS** - Sept 16 eve & Sept 17 all day  
Presented by the Children's Alliance
- **Where Faith & Justice Meet** (Interactive introduction to faith & justice; Sharing stories by all interns and JLP staff; develop covenant for future classes) FAITH & VOCATION (Led by Elizabeth)
- In Sojourning, they will be writing vision statements for the year and getting to know each other

### October:

- **Personal Story & Theology** with focus on building just communities (Led by Rev. Darrell Goodwin-Moultry) FAITH & VOCATION & LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- **Personal Story & Community Organizing Campaign** (Led by Claudia Alexandra Paras) LEADERSHIP SKILLS & VOCATION
- In Sojourning, maybe a day on "What is Your Lens?" and maybe Lauren facilitating "Faith Worlds"

### November:

- **Undoing Institutional Racism** (2 day workshop). Led by People's Institute Northwest. LEADERSHIP SKILLS & POSITIONALITY
- Facilitated debrief (With People's Institute) VOCATION & LEADERSHIP SKILLS & POSITIONALITY
- In Sojourning, possibly read and discuss related chapter in *Disunity in Christ*

### December:

- **Forms of Social Change** (Led by Rev. Rich Gamble) LEADERSHIP SKILLS & VOCATION
- **Movie: *Freedom Riders*** (Led by Rev. Lauren Cannon) FAITH & LEADERSHIP SKILLS

## January:

**\*\*Mid-year evaluation\*\***

- **Nonviolence**--2 sessions (Coordinated by Rev. Lauren Cannon) FAITH & LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- Hopefully supplemented with a Nonviolence Skills workshop some time during the year
- In Sojourning, revisiting community covenant and vision statements

## February

- **Missing Class: Strengthening Social Change Movements by Seeing Class Cultures.** Led by Anita Garcia Morales and Alan Preston LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- **Intern Community Topic Choice\***
- In Sojourning, maybe life balance, self-care, spiritual practices

## March:

- **Lens, Domination versus Love** (Rich) FAITH & POSITIONALITY
- **Lens Applied Bible and World** (Rich) FAITH & POSITIONALITY
- In Sojourning, maybe life balance, self-care, spiritual practices, job search skills

## April:

- **Leadership: Reflection on leadership styles and action principles.** Led by Dorothy Mann. LEADERSHIP SKILLS & VOCATION
- **Intern Community Topic Choice\***
- In Sojourning, vocational discernment

## May:

- **Contextual Theologies** (continued in Spiritual Sojourning), with likely focus on Gender (Choices could include: Feminist; Womanist; Asian-American; Black; Latino; Queer; Immigration; Earth Care) Led by Elizabeth Dickinson. FAITH & VOCATION
- **Intern Community Topic Choice\***
- In Sojourning, reflection on contextual theologies and our own connection to the divine

## June:

- **Two Intern Community People Choices**--chance to converse with someone you find inspiring, or to learn about a new topic (1.5 hours each)

### **Possible Topic Choices:**

- Women in Organizing & Advocacy/Gender Justice (Siobhan Ring, Emijah Smith, Sarah Warren, Jasmine, etal.) VOCATION & LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- Facilitation Skills (Cory Maclay OR Mike Beebe) LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- Our Lifestyles and Justice (with focus on intersection of Environmental and Economic Justice) (Led by Frederica Helmiere Or Rev. Meighan Pritchard) VOCATION & FAITH
- Arts and Creativity in Social Change Movements (Led by Beth Amsbary, Sharon D'Amico, and/or Janet Stecher) VOCATION & LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- Contextual theologies and justice action emerging from immigrant communities (Cote, Manu) FAITH & LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- "Living the Questions" half-hour DVDs on Justice & the Bible (these have multiple progressive faith voices & perspectives)
- Urban Ministry & Creating Your Vocation (Rev. Greg Turk)--could also go in Sojourning
- INTERNS DESIGN YOUR OWN

### **RESOURCES FOR INTERNS**

Stride Toward Freedom, MLK Jr.

Kim Bobo etal, Organizing for Social Change \$40 each new

Excerpts from Stir It Up (community organizing) and Class Matters

Disunity in Christ \$15 new

Faith & justice articles?