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A partnership between St. James UMC and Church of the Resurrection
You must love your neighbor as you love yourself.
Matthew 22:39

JUNE 2024



3rd ANNUAL JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2024

**Pre-Talk: “The Underground Railroad –
Quindaro to Lawrence” 4 PM, Resurrection Leawood
(The Parlor)**

**Celebration Program: “Lift Every Voice
and Sing Together” 5 PM,
Resurrection Leawood (The Sanctuary),
13720 Roe Ave. Leawood KS**

Allies for Racial Justice invites you to the 3rd Annual St. James and Resurrection Juneteenth Celebration. Join us for jubilant musical performances, inspiring speakers, dancing, spoken word and more. This event is free and open to the public. Programming is designed for all ages so bring the kids. It's the perfect way to commemorate and celebrate Juneteenth – the Nation's holiday honoring the transition from chattel slavery to freedom.

Mark the date on your calendar now!



Keynote Presentation (Sanctuary, Bldg. A) - Dr. Shana Mashego is a classical artist, administrator, ethnomusicologist, and published researcher. Her work probes the origin of African Americans as well as their contributions, struggles, triumphs and disparities while living in the USA. She is the founder of Mashego & The Sacred Ensemble, a Christian hymn preservation and performance collective. Dr. Mashego will speak and perform at this event.

"The Underground Railroad - Quindaro to Lawrence – (Parlor, Bldg. A) – Pre-event discussion led by Dr. James Leiker, history professor, author and founder of Johnson County Community College Kansas Studies Institute. Kansas has long been known as “the free state” but just how free were African Americans? What role did Kansas play in the long story of emancipation? Bring your questions and curiosity!

PLUS

- Artistic display of replica quilts used as Underground Railroad communication tools
- Powerful singing groups from St. James Church and Resurrection
 - Poetry reading
 - Vocal and instrumental soloists
 - Interpretive dance
- Light refreshments will be served

All we need is you!

EMMETT TILL & MAMIE TILL-MOBLEY: LET THE WORLD SEE



Now through June 16
Spencer Museum of Art, University of Kansas,
Lawrence
10 am - 5 pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
10 am - 8 pm Thursday
Noon - 5 pm Saturday and Sunday

Emmett Till was just a child when he was kidnapped, tortured, and murdered by white supremacists in the Jim Crow South in 1955. They tried to cover it up. Emmett's mother, Mamie, insisted the world know what they did to her son. She bravely shared her 14-year-old son's story with all who would listen – and fueled a movement that changed the nation. Her work is far from over. We must continue her work in pursuit of justice, healing, and reconciliation; we must continue to tell the true story. [Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley: Let the World See](#) is a touring exhibit created in collaboration with the Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley Institute, the Emmett Till Interpretive Center, the Till family, and the Children's Museum of Indianapolis. In telling the true story, it challenges visitors to make a ripple of justice in their own communities.



ONE HISTORY, TWO VERSIONS

A companion exhibition at the Spencer features art by contemporary Black artists that expands on themes in the traveling exhibition including Black life, Black love, media representation, and activism. It draws on Emmett and Mamie's legacies to explore both historical and contemporary events of racial violence and racial justice movements. The title comes from a work of the same name by Deborah Roberts and references how racial injustices are perceived and reported differently through various media channels. Works featuring Black mothers and children reinforce Mamie's love and motivation to seek justice for her son. Other artworks speak to more recent events including the murders of Trayvon Martin and Breonna Taylor. Visitors will encounter the perspectives of community leaders from local racial justice organizations who provide their own stories and interpretation of the art on view. Community partners include the Lawrence Branch of the NAACP, NAACP Youth Council of Lawrence, B.L.A.C.K. Lawrence, the Lawrence/Douglas County Community Remembrance Project Coalition, and Justice for Wyandotte. [Learn more HERE.](#)

These two exhibits provide an excellent outing opportunity for families and small groups!

GET INVOLVED! OUR PARTNER CHURCHES

Forging authentic relationships to eliminate the existing racial divide in our communities and churches.

St. James Church and Resurrection offer wonderful worship, fellowship, and community volunteer activities each and every month of the year. Check the individual websites and weekly newsletters to stay up to date on all opportunities.



Stay Connected

Visit our church's web pages and sign up for pastor newsletters.

Resurrection resurrection.church/next

St. James Church <https://sjumckc.org>

Sign up for the weekly Senior Pastor messages for updates and to better connect within our two congregations.

St. James Church [Sign up for Pastor Cleaver's Newsletter](#)
Resurrection [Sign up for Pastor Adam's Newsletter](#)

OTHER INFORMATION & ACTIVITIES

KC JAZZ DISTRICT JUNETEENTH

CELEBRATION



**PARADE – JUNE 1
FIRST FRIDAY – JUNE 7**

**HERITAGE FESTIVAL – THE RESISTANCE –
JUNE 15
FOOD, MUSIC, SCAVENGER HUNT AND MORE!
Noon-10 PM**

FREE ADMISSION

**** 18TH & VINE HISTORIC JAZZ DISTRICT ****

Brought to Kansas City in 1980 by Horace M Peterson III, founder of the Black Archives of Mid-America Inc, Juneteenth is an annual heritage celebration and platform that commemorates the emancipation of enslaved Africans in America and provides the backdrop to pay tribute to the founders of our community. **JuneteenthKC** features a wide array of musical performances, live entertainment, a variety of retail, food, non-profit/public service, and youth-oriented vendors. Enjoy some of Kansas City's best live entertainment on the MetroPCS Main Stage. For full details and schedule of activities, [CLICK HERE.](#)



WALK WITH US ON SATURDAY, JUNE 8

at 8:30 AM

**Field at the Corner of Troost and Truman Rd.
Kansas City, MO**

Good people, good connections and good fun! If you've been to the Walk for Unity before, you know it's a great experience as people from across the KC metro come together in support of racial healing and unity. You can feel the electricity in such a positive and purposeful moment. If you've never attended, plan to do so this year. You won't regret spending your morning walking for such a good cause. The event is free and family-friendly. Registration required.

[Register For The Walk For Unity 2024](#)

AMERICAN JAZZ WALK OF FAME Celebrating 10 Years of Musical Excellence

**Saturday, June 8
Walk of Fame Induction 5 PM
Concert 7 - 9PM Gem Theater
1615 East 18th Street Kansas City, MO 64108**



Don't miss the 10th-anniversary celebration of the American Jazz Walk of Fame on June 8, 2024! Hosted by the Jazz District Renaissance Corp. Kevin Willmont, Academy Award winning filmmaker will serve as Master of Ceremonies and discuss how he knew Queen Bey-Blythe, an inductee who recently passed away.

[Get Tickets](#)

**IT'S TIME FOR BASEBALL
AND NEW FRIENDS JUNE 9 –
KAUFFMAN STADIUM**

 ST. JAMES CHURCH

**THE UNITED METHODIST MEN
INVITES BOYS, TEENS, &
YOUNG ADULTS TO JOIN US
FOR AN AFTERNOON OF
BASEBALL.**





**6-9-24
1:10 PM CT
KAUFFMAN STADIUM
1 ROYAL WAY, KANSAS CITY, MO 64129**

TICKETS ARE \$30/PER PERSON



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June 9-12

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13 & 14

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every day!****DONATE****June 9 - 11****Donate your stuff to a
good cause!
[LEARN MORE.](#)****SHOP****June 13 - 14 Proceeds****go to help women,
children & families on
the margins in**

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up.

Kansas City.



Revisit 1967, when inner cities across America erupted in violence. President Johnson appointed the Kerner Commission to determine what happened, why it happened, and what could be done to keep it from happening again. The bi-partisan commission's final report revealed far more than he or anyone else expected. The fundamental cause of urban unrest was white racism. The unvarnished assessment of American race relations would doom the report's findings to political oblivion, though its findings still resonate today. Don't miss this powerful historical documentary. [Available online and your local PBS station.](#)

SAVE THE DATES
Add These Future Events on Your
Calendar

**· 45th Annual Ethnic Enrichment
Festival**

Largest gathering of multiculturalism, focusing on the traditional cultures found here in Kansas City surrounding metro area

August 16-17-18 Swope Park
 Pavilion Road corner of
 E. Meyer Boulevard & Swope Parkway, KCMO
[CLICK HERE](#)

• **Miracle of Innocence 7th Annual Gala Benefit**

Help free the innocent and provide care when they come home.

**Friday, Sept. 6th – 5 PM Social & Silent Auction
 6 PM Program**

Resurrection Leawood (The Foundry Building B) Leawood, KS

[CLICK HERE](#)

• **National Summit on Mass Incarceration & Social Justice**

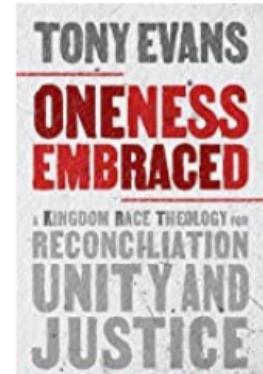
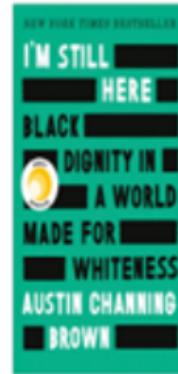
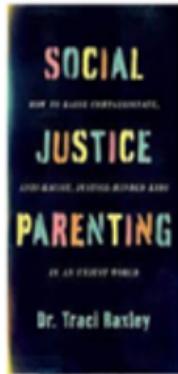
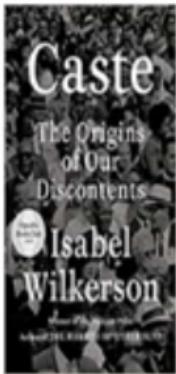
Inspiring teaching, national networking, and policy and impact development. Designed to empower, encourage and equip those who work in the areas of mass incarceration, restorative justice, reentry, and family outreach.

**Pre-Summit Intensive – Wednesday, Oct 2
 Summit – Thursday & Friday, Oct 3-5**

St. James Church, 5540
 Wayne Ave. KCMO
 Registration Opening Soon

For more information [CLICK HERE](#).

Read, View and Learn



Visit the Allies for Racial Justice website for great video and book suggestions that can help us better understand our differences, appreciate our similarities and establish Christ-centered solutions to end racial and social injustices. Terrific selections for ARJ Small Groups!

[Click HERE](#) for all our recommended reading and video resources

For more information on Allies for Racial Justice, visit our website:

<https://resurrection.church/arj>

or join the conversation on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/AlliesForRacialJustice>

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