Racial Justice Banners and Yard Signs Available

The Zachariah Walker Racial Justice Initiative team, in promoting racial justice, is offering banners and yard signs free to churches and individuals.

For those who are able, we are suggesting a love offering of $70 per banner (image of the 4’x10’ Vinyl Banner with grommets below) and $7 per yard sign (image of the 18”x24” Yard sign above right). The love offerings will go to further our efforts in this sacred ministry of racial equity and justice. To order, please email Anne Cormier at annecormier@comcast.net. Include in the subject box “banner” or “yard sign”.

From the UCC General Counsel on Boy Scouts in Churches

A Conference Minister brought to my awareness and that of the Insurance Board that in the aftermath of the bankruptcy filing of the Boy Scouts of America, there have been some changes to their policies. We understand that some of these changes may involve churches hosting troops taking on a greater role of responsibility for them, including certain components of liability insurance coverage. If a church is interested in becoming a host to a Boy or a Cub Scout troop, it is recommended that the church consult with legal counsel and also with their insurance company before signing any agreements to ensure that they are protected in the event of a claim for misconduct related to scouting.

Heather E. Kimmel, General Counsel

Taking a Stand With Indigenous Water Protectors—Webinar Tomorrow

People of conscience are joining Indigenous-led nonviolent actions at the headwaters of the Mississippi in Northern Minnesota to stop the expansion of a massive oil pipeline. While not all of us can go in person, all of us can act in other ways to support this vitally important cause. The Line 3 Expansion is a tar sands oil pipeline project under construction that would cross a hundred waterways. It would also pass near the border of multiple Native nations and across hundreds of miles of treaty-protected land, which those communities depend on for drinking water and wild rice gathering. In the UCC’s next Creation Justice Webinar, we will learn more about Line 3 and what faith communities can do to stop it. Even if you can't make the webinar’s scheduled time on June 14, at 1:00p, sign-up, and we will send you a recording. Sign-up now: https://ucc.zoom.us/webinar/register/4816220002264/ WN_50MSf7OXsSquSLe2IQEwQpw

Watch for Recap of PSEC 2021 Spring Annual Meeting

In next week’s Communitas