



Beloved Community Commission (BCC)

The Episcopal Diocese of the Susquehanna

(5 Minutes)

Thank you



Thank you (cont.)



Purpose



Work to dismantle systemic racism by acknowledging our past and dignifying the lived experiences of People of Color, advocating to renew our commitment and engagement to repair, heal, and reconcile the beauty of the image and likeness of God in every human being.

The BCC will work to support and uplift the work of the social justice ministries and groups across the diocese, fostering collaboration, sharing resources, and amplifying efforts.

Membership



Composed of twelve (12) members plus a chaplain.

Appointed by the Bishops, in consultation with diocesan staff.

Active leaders representing the diverse regions of the diocese, with no fewer than four (4) clergy members, no fewer than four (4) lay members, and one (1) representative from the Union of Black Episcopalians.

An announcement regarding the appointed individuals will be made at a later date.

Highlights



Confront and Dismantle White Supremacy Culture

Promote Truth-Telling and Historical Reckoning

Equip and Educate for Racial Justice

Foster Accountability and Community Transformation

Inspire and Mobilize Action in Parishes Across the Diocese

Highlights (cont.)



The BCC will strive to organize diocesan formation offerings, trainings, pilgrimages, and liturgies, including but not limited to:

- Sacred Ground Circles

- Absalom Jones Celebration

- Black History Month Series

- Southern Civil Rights Tour