

Dear Colleague in Ministry,

We and members of our congregations and nation are reeling over the insurrection in our nation's capitol Jan 6. How blessed we are to have one another for support and clarity throughout such trauma and beyond. Please note our meeting date shifts to Wednesday, Jan. 27 because we do not wish to conflict with the nation's presidential inauguration as we pray for a peaceful transition.

### [Agenda RocACTS Religious Leader's Caucus noon Jan 27, 2021](#)

Opening introductions and sharing: We'll each introduce our name, congregation and describe (briefly) what it *can* mean, personally and for this caucus to be a moral voice in the community.

- Reflection - Rev. Valerie Austin
- Welcome RocACTS new Director/Organizer, Dr. Tiffiney Taylor who will tell of her hopes and vision!
- Summary of our work on BLM with Harry Bronson, Jeremy Cooney, Samra Brouk, Demond Meeks and their assistants + Jen Lansford's assistant + action steps going forward. Rev. Brae Adams will facilitate discussion. Dr. Gayle Harrison, original author of BLM Sanctity of Life preamble and "law" will be with us.
- UCLM updates and conversation with Rev. Wanda Wilson and Frank Staropoli representing Rev Lewis Stewart
- Kathleen Fitzpatrick reports on RocACTS Justice System Task Force
- [How One on Ones](#) nurture a Culture of Compassion. Discussion

Action steps

Evaluate today's meeting with a word or phrase

Next meeting time/date/agenda bldg.

1:30 ADJOURN

### [Minutes from Dec. 16 RocACTS Religious leader's caucus](#)

Participants shared how in the midst of deadly realities they are fired up to lead in new ways in confrontation with racism + pandemic.

Reflection by Rev. Leon Dupre

Our guests - public servants: Harry Bronson and Alan Richards; Jeremy Cooney and his transition director, Patrick Coyle; Samra Brouk and her chief of staff, Ann Binstock; Demond Meeks; Jen Lunsford's assistant, Iris on BLM and Dr. Gayle Harrison's proposed BLM law.

Each shared vision, passion, reasons and commitment and made recommendations to collaborate and advocate. Our religious leaders engaged in stimulating discussions with our guests and plan to follow up on contacts these public servants gave us.

Culture of Compassion and One on Ones conversations were tabled.

RocACTS Education Task Force: Karen Costello reported on collaboration with The Children's Agenda and with parents in RCSD

Blessings,  
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