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**PRESS RELEASE**

**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Offers 4-Part Series on Racial History in Ann Arbor**

*“Black and White: It's Not What You Think” will shed light on the history of black-white relations in Ann Arbor and foster discussion of racial equity in the community.*

**July 24, 2018 – ANN ARBOR, MI.** – [St. Andrew's Episcopal Church](#) in Ann Arbor will host “Black and White: It's Not What You Think,” a 4-part series exploring the history of black-white relations in Ann Arbor. The series begins in October 2018 and continues through May 2019. The schedule is as follows:

October 10, 2018: Black and White in Ann Arbor: Framing the Conversation

November 14, 2018: Black and White in Ann Arbor: Ann Arbor & Slavery

February 20, 2019: Black and White in Ann Arbor: Ann Arbor & Civil Rights

May 1, 2019: Black and White in Ann Arbor: Being Black in Ann Arbor Today

Each session will take place on a Wednesday evening from 6:30-8:30 pm in the St. Andrew's Church Parish Hall and will include a potluck supper. Admission is free and open to the public. Each session will begin with a formal presentation, followed by group discussion. Interested participants are invited to attend an Evensong service beforehand, at 6 pm in the St. Andrew's sanctuary.

The series is being launched with the aim of fostering greater understanding of the roots and complexities of black-white relations in Ann Arbor and inspiring action in the community today.

“The story of African American history in Ann Arbor is not well known,” said Jackie Doneghy, chair of the St. Andrew’s Social Justice Ministry, which is organizing the series. “We hope this series will spark important conversations about the past and about our future together as a community.”

The first event in the series, “Framing the Conversation,” takes place on Wednesday, October 10, and will include a showing of a video from the Trinity Wall Street series “MLK Jr.: Epistles & Prophets,” featuring the Rev. Phil Jackson on Thomas Merton’s “Letter to a White Liberal.”

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