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THIS WEEK! July Lunch & Learn: Abortion from the Interfaith Perspective



July Lunch and Learn:

Abortion Rights from an Interfaith Perspective



Rev. Anzilotti
St. Francis' Episcopal Church



Rev. Kennedy
Buren Chapel African Methodist
Episcopal Church (AME)



Rev. Turner
Christ Church UCC



Thursday, July 21, 2022
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CT | Zoom

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Where: Zoom

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By now, most of us are familiar with Judaism's stance on abortion rights. However, several Christian denominations support abortion rights as well. These denominations have been instrumental in the interfaith movement; they too bring the moral force of religion to protect and advance reproductive health. **To help us learn more, NCJWSTL and JCRC are excited to welcome Rev. Laurie Anzilotti, Rev. Gabrielle Kennedy, and Rev. Becky Turner for our July Lunch and Learn to discuss abortion rights from an interfaith perspective. Rabbi Janine Schloss of Temple Emanuel will be moderating.**

Rev. Anzilotti is Vicar at St. Francis' Episcopal Church in Eureka. She earned her Masters of Divinity from Eden Theological Seminary in Webster Groves. She currently serves on the Cabinet of Interfaith Partnership of Greater St. Louis and previously served as Director of Faith & For the Sake of All, a non-profit that deepens understanding of and response to racial disparities in St. Louis.

Rev. Kennedy is first generation St. Louisan, pastor of Buren Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church (AME) and director of a community-based racial equity organization, Faith & For the Sake of All (FFSOA). FFSOA is committed to improving the health and well-being of African Americans by mobilizing the faithful and Rev. Kennedy exercises this mission personally and professionally.

Rev Turner became Pastor of Christ Church UCC in 2017. With a diverse background serving three different denominations and interfaith non-profit justice work, she is deeply committed to the UCC value of "Being the Church," that is, putting faith into action for the common good. She was also the long-time Executive Director of Faith Aloud, a pro-choice faith group.

Please [click here](#) to register for the July Lunch and Learn. Questions? Email Jen Bernstein at jbernstein@ncjwstl.org or call (314) 993.5181

Volunteers Needed for Election Protection



If you agree that every eligible voter deserves to have their voice count, you can take action from home or in person by serving as a nonpartisan Election Protection volunteer for both the upcoming August 2nd Primary Election and the November 8th General Election.

NCJWSTL's coalition partner The Missouri Voter Protection Coalition (MOVPC) is mobilizing thousands of volunteers to help our fellow Missourians navigate the voting process and cast their votes without obstruction, confusion, or intimidation. [Will you sign up to be one of them?](#)

As a nonpartisan Election Protection volunteer, you will assist voters who encounter any problems voting. You will receive training and much of this can be done from your car!

Please [click here](#) for more information and to sign up to protect the vote with MOVPC's Election Protection program in Missouri!

Know Your Missouri Voting Information

Missouri's primary election is coming up on August 2nd and will determine which candidates appear on November's general election ballot for seats in the U.S. House, U.S. Senate, and the state legislature, among other races.



Essential Information:

- **Absentee voting** - Absentee voting for August 2 has begun! You can vote absentee by mail or in-person. The deadline to request an absentee ballot by mail is **Wednesday, July 20th**. You can cast an absentee ballot in-person up until **Monday, August 1st**. [Click here](#) to request an absentee ballot by mail.
- **In-person on Election Day** - Polls are open from 6:00 AM - 7:00 PM. To find your polling place, please [click here](#).
- **NCJWSTL has not taken a position on any of the August 2nd ballot initiatives.** However, if you are looking for more information on them, please [click here](#) for St. Louis County or [here](#) for St. Louis City.

If you have any further questions about voting, please [click here](#). If you have any problems voting either absentee or on Election Day, please call 1-866-OUR-VOTE.

Webinar: Staying Nonpartisan During Voter Engagement with

NonProfit Vote



When: Tuesday, July 19 | 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM CT

Where: Zoom

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Please join NonProfit Vote for a webinar lead by David Levitt, Principal at Adler & Colvin, whose practice focuses on the representation of nonprofit and tax-exempt organizations, with an emphasis on program-related investments, social enterprise, political advocacy, and nonprofit corporate

governance.

Activities that promote voting and civic participation are allowed for 501(c)(3) organizations like NCJWSTL (or individuals representing NCJWSTL), but those activities, including candidate engagement, voter registration, and education, must be strictly nonpartisan. This free, one hour webinar will shed light on how to ensure your communications, interactions, and plans are unbiased and nonpartisan.

Please [click here](#) to register.

Save the Date: NCJW and League of Women Voters Town Hall



When: Thursday, August 18 | Time TBD

Where: Zoom

RSVP and other details coming soon



Two historic women's organizations join forces for a critical town hall about the 2022 Midterm Elections.

Join Sheila Katz, CEO of National Council of Jewish Women and Virginia Kase Solomón, CEO of League of Women Voters for a virtual Town Hall to get informed and excited about the voting landscape this year.

More details to come!

Take Action & Join the A-List



Now more than ever you will want to make sure that your name is on NCJWSTL's A-List for 2022! Join us as we stand together and speak out about the issues that matter most.

Together we can make a difference!

A-List sponsorship ads sustain our collaborative efforts to educate the community and elected officials about issues integral to our mission. The full-page ads will run in the St. Louis Jewish Light during 2022.

- **\$18** includes your name in the ad.
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Interesting Reading

Over the last 30 years, 59 countries have relaxed abortion restrictions. This includes 18 countries that have overturned



complete bans on abortion. In stark contrast, with *Roe v. Wade* overturned, the U.S. joins the ranks of only three other countries to have restricted access in that time: Poland, El Salvador and Nicaragua. What is it like to practice in countries with complete abortion bans?

[Click here](#) to read MSI Reproductive Choices' article from Ms. Magazine, "Abortion Providers From Around the World

Share the Dangers of Practicing Under Bans."

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