



“There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.” (Galatians 3:28)

Dear Friends,

Recent events in the United States of America have drawn public attention to the systemic racism that continues to cause immense harm across the world. We know these recent events will have caused much distress to many people where past and present experiences of racism have been brought to the forefront of their minds. We stand with the statement produced by the Archbishops by saying our hearts weep for the suffering caused – for those who have lost their lives, those who have experienced persecution, those who live in fear and for those who live with the ongoing trauma that racism has caused.

As members of the body of Christ, we affirm the value and the dignity of all human life. We recognise that every human life is made ‘in the image of God’ and as God’s creation, has inherent value.

As followers of Christ, we have an obligation to work for peace, unity, tolerance and understanding.

As members of the Church, we rejoice that people from all cultures and ethnic groups can worship together under the Fatherhood of our loving heavenly Father.

As people of the Way, we look forward to the time when we will be ‘with Christ’, when every tear will be wiped away and there will be an end to sin, suffering and all evil.

We pray for a time where the peace of Christ rules in everyone’s hearts and for a time when ‘Black Lives Matter’. We pray that God will help us to live together as members of one family at home in the world, sons and daughters of one Father who live in the liberty of the children of God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We want to extend our support and prayer to anyone who is finding the recent events particularly difficult, so please do contact any of the clergy team if you have any pastoral need that you would like to discuss further with us. Please be assured of our continued prayers.....

Peter, Tim, Treena