

Have you signed the petition to save Gadsden Creek?

First off, a <u>**HUGE**</u> thank you to all of our volunteers who came out to SEWE this weekend for our press conference and to help hand out fliers. We had a great showing and handed out almost 2,000 fliers to the public about the fight to save Gadsden Creek!



Second, are working to collect signatures for our petition to save Gadsden Creek. Our goal is **<u>1,000 signatures</u>** and we are a quarter of the way there! Please take 30 seconds to click the link below and sign, and then pass the link on to your network members, family, friends, neighbors, and fellow congregants.



Want some tools to share the petition with your congregation?

Click here for electronic version of the fliers we handed out at SEWE that include some facts about the fight the save the creek, and a QR code to the petition.



And another HUGE thank you to lin kuhl jay, CAJM Environmental Justice Steering Committee member, for all of her hard work in creating the artwork for the fliers as well as ALL of the hand-painted signs! Thank you, lin!

Support the fight to save Gadsden Creek by buying original art!

Many of you have seen the beautiful art that lin jay made for the fliers we passed out at SEWE last week. (If you haven't, check out the pictures below.) Many of you have also asked if you can buy a print! And the answer is YES!



You can purchase any of the four prints above by making a minimum \$25 donation per print to CAJM, or to either of our partners in the fight to save the creek: Friends of Gadsden Creek and the South Carolina Environmental Law Project. Please note that there will be slight variations in the color of each print. Pickup will be at the Nehemiah Action on March 20 at Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church.

After you make your donation, send a screenshot of the receipt to lin directly at <u>lin.jay@comcast.net</u>. You can also reach out to her directly with any questions.

It's time to turn out for HOUSING!

We had a strong showing for our Environmental Justice Committee last week. Now it's time to turn the focus to housing!

Charleston County released the long-awaited Housing Our Future plan in January and now they are hosting public comment sessions around Charleston County to get the public's input on the plan. The Housing Committee is asking **YOU** to turn out to the public comment session on Tuesday, February 28 at 5:15pm at the Johns Island Library. We will hold a short rally and press conference before the public comment session starts.

The number one recommendation in the Housing Our Future plan is an Affordable Housing Trust Fund, which is exactly what CAJM has been pushing for for years. So let's turn out **STRONG** to the public comment session and let Charleston County know that we aren't going anywhere until we win an Affordable Housing Trust Fund for our community!



On this day in Black History...

...Civil Rights leader W. E. B. Dubois was born!

From the NAACP: "Before becoming a founding member of NAACP, W.E.B. Du Bois was already well known as one of the foremost Black intellectuals of his era. The first Black American to earn a PhD from Harvard University, Du Bois published widely before becoming NAACP's director of publicity and research and starting the organization's official journal, The Crisis, in 1910."

Click here to learn more about DuBois.

Upcoming CAJM Events

Rally When: February 27, 2023 @ 7pm



Where: Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church RSVP: Ask your Team Leader for a ticket!

Click here for an electronic version of the Rally flier!



Nehemiah Action

When: March 20 @ 7pm Where: Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church RSVP: Pick up your ticket at the Rally!

Click here for an electronic version of the Action flier!

Join the CAJM choir and sing at the Action!

CAJM is all about building relationships and community across congregations, and nothing builds community quite like participating in the CAJM choir! The choir will perform at the Nehemiah Action on March 20.



Rehearsals are on February 21 and March 14 from 7pm-8pm at Charity Missionary Baptist Church (1544 E. Montague Ave, N. Charleston).

Upcoming Research Visits

We encourage **ALL CAJM MEMBERS** to join us for research visits and full committee meetings! Email **dorightcajm@gmail.com** to be connected with a research committee, and/or use the links below to sign up to attend.



Healthcare Full Committee Meeting

What: Join us for important updates and to strategize for this year's Nehemiah Action! We need a representative from every congregation to attend.

When: February 21, 2023 @ 6:30pm Where: Zoom RSVP: Click here to register and get a link



Charleston City Councilmember Keith Waring (Environmental Justice & Policing)

When: February 23, 2023 Pre-Meeting: 12:00pm (You must attend the premeeting to attend the meeting) Meeting: 1:00 Where: Barnes & Noble in West Ashley (1812 Sam Rittenberg Blvd) RSVP: Click here to register



Education CCSD Superintendent Interfaith Roundtable

What: CAJM clergy, you are needed to lend your voice to encourage the use of RP in schools, give feedback, suggestions and ideas for improved

outcomes in CCSD. When: February 24, 2023 @ 8:30-10:00AM Where: 75 Calhoun St. CCSD office RSVP: Click here to register



Nehemiah Moment for Housing

What: We will be turning out in full force at the Housing Our Future Community Meeting to show our support for the inclusion of an affordable housing trust fund with a recurring funding source in the plan. Click here for more background info. When: February 28, 2023 @ 5:15pm Where: Johns Island Library (3531 Maybank Hwy)

RSVP: Click here to sign up

It's not too early to get started on your 2023 CAJM investment!

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New to CAJM and want more information?

We are so glad you are here, and we'd love to connect you with a CAJM Team Leader!

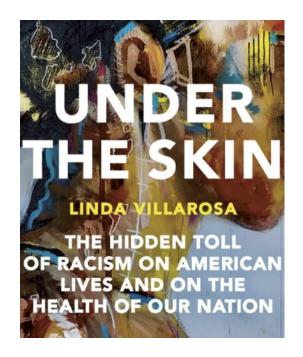
Use the QR code to the right, or follow this link, to fill out a short survey so that we can match you with the Team Leader who best fits your needs.



Community Board

Under the Skin Panel about institutional racism in accessing quality healthcare

What: Join the Unitarian Church in Charleston for an insightful discussion about institutional racism in accessing quality healthcare. The discussion will be based on *The New York Times* bestselling book *Under the Skin: The Hidden Toll of Racism on American Lives and on the Health of Our Nation*, by Linda Villarosa. Click here to read a review of the book. You don't need to have read the book to come to the panel!



Panel members include two CAJM Healthcare Steering Committee Members: Minister Rhulaunda Donald of Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church and Mrs. Stephanie Pope Singleton, LPN, MHA of Charity Missionary Baptist Church. Aleah Singleton, MD, a recent graduate of MUSC Medical School and current Resident in the Tulane OBGYN Residency Program, will be joining them. (Dr. Singleton is also Stephanie Pope Singleton's daughter!)

When: March 2 @ 7:00pm

Where: Gage Hall at the Unitarian Church in Charleston (4 Archdale Street)

Parking: Behind Gage Hall, street parking, or Queen Street Parking Garage (between King St and Archdale St)

Shared Legacies Film Screening

What: CAJM congregations Charity Missionary Baptist Church and Kahal Kadosh Beth Elohim are co-hosting a screening of the film *Shared Legacies*. The film tells stories of coalition and friendship between the Jewish and African-American communities during the Civil Rights Movement. When: March 16 @ 7:00pm Where: Kahal Kadosh Beth Elohim (90 Hasell Street)



Give your input to the Tri-County Gun Violence Coordinating Council!

Participate in a Community Gun Violence Survey





Are you 18 years or older and live in Charleston, Dorchester, or Berkeley County?



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