

SOCIAL JUSTICE QUILT PROJECT
Justice and Advocacy Team
West Virginia Annual Conference
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HISTORY: WRAPPED IN TRADITION

The sacraments of Holy Communion and Baptism represent the core of our beliefs as United Methodists. Through Holy Communion, we remember Christ's loving sacrifice and his call to join him in ministry, giving ourselves for others. Our baptismal vows compel us to "resist evil and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves." It is fitting, then, that the center panel of this quilt depicts the waters of baptism and the bread and chalice on the communion table. Surrounding the center panel are blocks addressing a few of the areas of concern for justice-seekers. These "statement" blocks are surrounded by squares in traditional quilt patterns, to indicate that our social justice ministries are hemmed in and supported by our United Methodist traditions.

If your church or group is interested in having the quilt "visit" you and in exploring ways to address injustice in your community, please contact BA Miskowiec at (304) 542-7248 or bamiskowiec@hotmail.com.

ATTRIBUTIONS

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Top Row, Left to Right:

Pride Flag (BA Miskowiec)
Choose Love (BA Miskowiec)
North Star (Julie Janisch, D.S.W., St. Marks,
Charleston, WV)
Annual Conference 2023 Logo (BA
Miskowiec)
West Virginia Love (Caitlin Ware, Bailey
Memorial UMC, Rosemont, WV)
I Can't Breathe (BA Miskowiec)
Purple Star (Jayne Jones, Concord UMC,
Athens, WV)
Cardinal Star (Rev. Cynthia Eakle, Stout
Memorial, Parkersburg, WV)

Center Panel (BA Miskowiec)

Left of Center Panel:

Jesus Loves the Children (Brown Memorial
UMC, Cross Lanes, WV)
Justice for Trayvon Martin (BA Miskowiec)
There is Strength in our Differences
(Rebecca Charles & Edwina Charles,
Charleston, WV)

West Virginia Home (Rev. Cynthia Eakle)

Right of Center Panel:

Autism Awareness (BA Miskowiec)
Drunkard's Path (Jayne Jones)
Blue Pinwheel (Rev. Clara Gestwick,
Virginia Conference, UMC)
Amos 5:2 (BA Miskowiec)
Green Pinwheel (Rev. Clara Gestwick)
Save the Pollinators (Rev. Deborah Coble,
WV Conference, South Charleston, WV)

Bottom Row, Left to Right:

Stop the School to Prison Pipeline (BA
Miskowiec)
In Diversity is our Unity (BA Miskowiec)
Faith, Hope and Love in Action (United
Women in Faith motto) (Donna Lowe)
Peace Bowtie (BA Miskowiec)
Pastel Pinwheel (Pamela J. Higgs, Morris
Memorial UMC, Charleston, WV)
Brown Square (Rev. Clara Gestwick)

