

Actions in Faith & Justice

TRUTH BE TOLD

Community Remembrance Project

***Commemorating
Lives Lost to
Jim Crow Era
& Present Day
Injustice***



August 6, 2021 7:00pm

**Historical Marker of
Remembrance
Service & Dedication**

*Soldiers Memorial
A.M.E. Zion Church*



August 7, 2021 10:00am

Community Dialogue

***St. Luke's
Episcopal Church***



Equal Justice Initiative

The Equal Justice Initiative believes we need a new era of truth and justice that starts with confronting our history of racial injustice. The dehumanizing myth of racial difference endures today because we don't talk about it. Equal Justice Initiative's Community Remembrance Projects empower communities to intentionally reflect on our history through historical markers, dialogue and collaborative community action.

August 7, 2021 11:30am

Community Performing Arts

***St. John's
Lutheran Church***



Strength, Hope, Resilience

Community performing artists celebrate the strength and resilience of Black families and communities of color. Individuals and their families are unique. Yet, a common thread of mutual care, courage and cultural achievement, connects those challenged by injustice, inequity and systemic racism.





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AFJ mobilizes community based collaborative action to eliminate disparity, establish racial equity, and celebrate the common good. AFJ's collaboration with the Equal Justice Initiative supports the elimination of present day injustices deeply rooted in our nation's untold history of racial terror. Our current effort to eliminate the school to prison pipeline supports establishing a NC Courts School Justice Partnership in Rowan County to keep students in school and out of court.



From Slavery to Mass Incarceration

Enslaved African Americans are buried in Oak Grove-Freedman's Cemetery. As did slavery, racial terror lynching shaped America's social and economic history. Lynching reinforced the false belief that Black people are inherently guilty and dangerous. That belief underlies the present day racial inequality of mass incarceration, disproportionate and excessive sentencing of racial minorities, and police abuse of people of color. An **EJI Marker of Remembrance stands in Salisbury between the slave cemetery and the courthouse, reminding us of our history of racial injustice and of our civic duty and commitment to provide justice for all.**

The Historical Marker of Remembrance is located at the corner of North Church and West Liberty Streets in Salisbury, NC. **The Marker and event locations are within 1-2 blocks walking distance of one another.** The events are provided by the generous gifts of time, talent and resources through local citizens, grassroots groups, businesses, participating churches and the City of Salisbury. The marker itself is a donation from the Equal Justice Initiative. www.eji.org
All events are free and all are welcome

