



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

What do Lutherans say about... Gender Justice?

A video discussion guide.

Naming Injustice:

Name at least two ways in which you or your community members experience the sins of sexism and patriarchy.

The social statement teaches that everyone's identity is made up of different parts (for example, a person's abilities, race or sex). What are the different aspects of your identity? Name one way sexism or patriarchy hurts you because of your identity.

Envisioning Justice:

Faith, Sexism, and Justice teaches that God intends for all people to experience abundant life. Share two specific examples from your perspective of what abundant life and gender justice are for women, elder women and young girls of all races and ethnicities.

Faith, Sexism, and Justice connects neighbor love to neighbor justice. Who are the neighbors who need justice in and around your congregation?

Listening Anew:

Faith, Sexism, and Justice encourages Lutherans to use a variety of names and images for God. Scripture refers to God as a bear and a hen, for instance. Share one reason you think these biblical images are important for ELCA Lutherans.

Why is the scriptural witness that Jesus was a fully embodied human important to you or to your faith?

Continuing the Conversation:

Was there something in the video you want to know more about—and why?

Create a list together to name at least eight ways that ELCA Lutherans are already or could work for gender justice and abundant life in their communities and in public life.

Tell someone else about the video this week and talk about it.