

October 2023 Newsletter



Level up Your Social Justice IQ

The Center for Lived Faith and Organizing teaches people from congregations and communities to engage deeply in building power and transforming the world by rooting social justice action in Christian theology and faith.



What is the Certificate for Organizing and Social Transformation?

The Center for Lived Faith and Organizing teaches congregations, community leaders, and activists to build power in their communities by rooting social justice efforts in the Christian faith.

All are welcome to participate in the CFLO's certificate program. To earn the certificate you simply need to attend five seminars offered by the Center, including our foundational "Organizing Seminar," offered every fall and spring. You'll leave this seminar connected to grassroots organizing work in your local community and with an organizing plan.

Your investment for this faith-informed and sustainable path to build power and create justice is \$550. To complete the certificate you can choose from the workshops offered through the end of the year, and we will offer a brand new slate of workshops in 2024. Connect with us to learn more today!

Learn More & Register

Register for Our October 21 Workshop

Structural Oppression and Healing Strategies for Congregational Organizing

This half-day workshop will equip congregational leaders with practical skills to begin organizing in their context.

Rev. Vahisha Hasan and Rev. Anne Dunlap will lead the workshop. Both are organizers and together they have co-edited a new book, <u>Building Up a New World,</u> <u>Congregational Organizing for</u> <u>Transformative Impact</u>. The workshop will cover:

- The "why" of congregational organizing
- The landscape of oppression in which we organize
- Tools for addressing trauma in their organizing

Join us on Saturday, October 21 from 8am to 1pm!



Upcoming Workshops

Structural Oppression and Healing Strategies for Congregational Organizing

Oct 21, 2023, Saturday, 8 AM-1 PM (CT)

Instructors:

 Rev. Vahisha Hasan and Rev. Anne Dunlap, organizers and editors of a new book: <u>Building Up a New</u> <u>World, Congregational Organizing</u> <u>for Transformative Impact</u>

Spirit and Solidarity, Organizing in the Faith and Labor Movement

Nov 3, 2023, Friday, 12-5PM (CT)

Instructors:

- Bianca Cunningham
- KB Brower

Register

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Organizing Seminar: Womanist Ways of Movement Building

Dec 1, 2023, Friday, 12-4PM (CT)

Instructors:

• Rev. Dr. Raquel Lettsome Rev. Dr. Dietra Wise Baker

Register

Participant Spotlight: Rev. Heather Fosburgh

"The presenters were excellent- their back and forth as well as their slightly different approaches to the work completed each other well." - Rev. Heather Fosburgh



Rev. Fosburgh is a leader within her Georgia UCC community in many capacities. Originally from Des Moines, Iowa, Heather was raised in the UCC and is a graduate of Simpson College. She moved to Atlanta in 2010 to attend Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur.

Rev. Fosburgh's professional interests include interfaith work, refugee support, and modern biblical interpretations. She began taking workshops to the Center for Lived Faith & Organizing in Spring 2023. Most recently, she participated in the Souls to the Polls workshop led by Billy Honor and David Gerth. The Center for Lived and Organizing is a partnership between Eden

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