



Doctrine of Discovery

[Doctrine of Discovery: Unmasking The Domination Code](#). This video, by Dakota filmmaker and Director Sheldon Wolfchild and Co-Producer Steven Newcomb (Shawnee, Lenape), along with its accompanying conversation guide, are available for loan through the synod office. The Doctrine of Discovery documentary is “a story of historical truth, spirituality, and resistance, told on behalf of the original nations and peoples of (America). This doctrine of ancient Christendom (for which the documentary was named), supported by papal edicts, continues to serve as the conceptual foundation of the political and legal system of the United States...” Contact Together Here Ministries at the Northeastern Minnesota Synod to view this video.

[ELCA Resolution CA16.02.04](#) (PDF). This resolution passed at the 2016 Churchwide Assembly.

[Northeastern Minnesota Synod Resolution 17-1](#) (PDF). This resolution, passed at the 2017 Synod Assembly, created the Bridge Building Task Force and ultimately Together Here Ministries.

[Race, Trauma and the Doctrine of Discovery](#) (Available on YouTube, 1:04:04). Rev. Mark Charles gave this presentation in January 2017 at Calvin University. Mark Charles, who works with the ministry *5 Small Loaves*, a program affiliate with the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, is an expert advisor on indigenous matters.

***This video is available for presentation in a workshop. Using his speech to initiate conversation, a team member leads participants through a highly self-reflective journey towards self-awareness. Participants are encouraged to form a common memory, focusing on how the process of colonization has impacted both racialized and non-racialized people groups. Contact Together Here Ministries to schedule. (120 min with video, 60 minutes if participants pre-watch the video)