



Girls at International Banquet

PRESBYTERIAN PAN AMERICAN SCHOOL

local ecumenical partners, select a time and location, and download materials at [oikoumene.org/en/resources](http://oikoumene.org/en/resources).

## Jan. 21: Criminal Justice

Criminal Justice Sunday is Jan. 21 in the PC(USA). The Presbyterian Criminal Justice Network offers worship, study and advocacy resources for observing this emphasis and for working to transform our nation's criminal justice system. Go to [pcusa.org/criminaljustice](http://pcusa.org/criminaljustice) and [phewacomunity.org](http://phewacomunity.org) for resources and for actions of PC(USA) General Assemblies supporting restorative justice, calling for the abolition of for-profit prisons and opposing capital punishment.

## LOOK AHEAD

Prepare for One Great Hour of Sharing by creating a promotional plan using the leader's guide and other resources available at [pcusa.org/oghs](http://pcusa.org/oghs). Standing order materials will arrive this month.

Help your youth observe the **Souper Bowl of Caring on Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 4**. Visit [souperbowl.org](http://souperbowl.org).

Pastors: Ministry-changing study leave awaits at the **New Wilmington Mission Conference, July 21 – 28**. Choose from two tracks of Bible and mission teachers. Rub shoulders with dozens of mission workers. Go to [NWMCmission.org](http://NWMCmission.org) to learn more and register.

To support racial ethnic schools and colleges, visit [pcusa.org/donate/CJ999999](http://pcusa.org/donate/CJ999999).

800-728-7228 | [info@pcusa.org](mailto:info@pcusa.org)  
For resources, call PDS at 800-524-2612.

## NOW IS THE TIME

**Jan. 11: Human Trafficking Awareness Day**  
Go to [pcusa.org/humantrafficking](http://pcusa.org/humantrafficking) for worship resources and suggestions on education, awareness raising, advocacy and other action.

**Jan. 14: Race Relations; Speak Antiracism**  
Various resources are posted on the [pcusa.org/racialjustice](http://pcusa.org/racialjustice) web page. Congregations are encouraged to work toward racial

reconciliation using or studying the Belhar Confession, available at [pcusa.org/belharconfession](http://pcusa.org/belharconfession). Congregations are asked to facilitate at least five conversations about racial justice during the next five months. The 222nd General Assembly (2016) approved a revised churchwide antiracism policy, Facing Racism: A Vision of the Intercultural Community, and associated recommendations. The churchwide antiracism policy team also created a series

of six study guides accessible to the whole church. Each guide is appropriate for an hour-long conversation among adults or teens. The guides are available at [pcusa.org/facingracism](http://pcusa.org/facingracism).

## Jan. 18: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins

Begin preparations for an ecumenical prayer service to join Jesus in his prayer for the church, that "they may be one." Contact

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Jewish, Islamic and Orthodox observances  
6 Theophany

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6 <b>Epiphany of the Lord</b> Isa. 60:1-6; Ps. 72:1-7, 10-14; Eph. 3:1-12; Matt. 2:1-12
SUNDAY	7 <b>Baptism of the Lord</b> Gen. 1:1-5; Ps. 29; Acts 19:1-7; Mark 1:4-11	8	9	10	11 <i>Human Trafficking Awareness Day</i>	13
14 <b>2nd Sunday after Epiphany</b> <i>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 1 Sam. 3:1-10 (11-20); Ps. 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Cor. 6:12-20; John 1:43-51  <i>Race Relations; Speak Antiracism</i>	15	16	17	18 <i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins</i>	19	20
21 <b>3rd Sunday after Epiphany</b> <i>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Ps. 62:5-12; 1 Cor. 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20  <i>Criminal Justice</i>	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 <b>4th Sunday after Epiphany</b> <i>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Deut. 18:15-20; Ps. 111; 1 Cor. 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28	29	30	31	<b>December</b> S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31		<b>February</b> S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28