

Wellspring for Living Stones

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The Madonna University mission is steadfast. The faculty and staff of the Mission Core Team would like to share resources rooted in the MU mission to instill Christian humanistic values, intellectual inquiry, a respect for diversity, and a commitment to serving others, to help guide our community through uncharted waters.

This week's Wellspring is a celebration of diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice. Violence and prejudice are not compatible with the core values of our University. As stewards of our institutional Mission, we want to share uplifting media that inspire all of us to live according to those values.

“W.E.B. DuBois once suggested that the greatest problem of the 21st century would be overcoming the impact of race and racism. Now is the best time to attempt to do so. We are the generation left with the daunting task so that the future generations are not plagued by, or left with, the same problems our ancestors faced. What we do will determine the place race occupies in the lives of our descendants.”

—Madonna University Trustee Rodney Patterson,
in *Trumping the Race Card*

from [Claire Ofiara](#)

“As a classroom community, our capacity to generate excitement is deeply affected by our interest in one another, in hearing one another's voices, in recognizing one another's presence.”

—bell hooks, in *Teaching to Transgress*

Music

- [The Seven Last Words of the Unarmed](#), by Joel Thompson
from [Jesse Cox](#)
- [We Shall Overcome](#), performed by Chloe x Halle
from [Colleen M. McLellan](#)
- [Our Hope Is in the Lord](#), by Dan Schutte
from [Sr. Nancy Marie Jamroz](#)

	Protest	Riot
Definition	Public display of disapproval, e.g. by chanting or marching to share a message	Public display of disapproval, e.g. through vandalism, destruction of property, or acts of violence
Legality	In the US, an inalienable right to expression. No arrest should be made against peaceful protest in public spaces	Categorized as a criminal act, and punishable by law

Adapted from “Riot vs Protest Comparison Table,”
from www.differencebetween.net

A Prayer of Remembrance and Hope is available [here](#). The Mission Core team invites you to join the campus community, as we share this prayer while we are apart, each Monday at 12:00 PM.



Wellspring for Living Stones is [updated, added to, and archived online](#).

If you have questions or concerns, or would like to submit materials to include, please contact Colleen McLellan in the Office of Service-Learning & Civic Engagement: cmclellan@madonna.edu