

How does the Spirit of the 8th Principle Draft connect to our First U Mission?

8th Principle Draft: “We affirm and promote journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.”

Our Mission: EXPLORE our Faith, EMBRACE our Community, and ENGAGE in our World as spiritual seekers.

Consider Endorsing the Spirit of the 8th Principle Draft

EXPLORE – Dec & Jan
Learn, Discuss, Consider



EMBRACE – Mid Year Meeting 1/31
Consider & Vote to Endorse



ENGAGE – The Spirit of the 8th Principle
Congregation engages in the process to dismantle racism & other oppressions in ourselves & our congregation



Live the Spirit of the 8th Principle

We commit ourselves to work together for diversity and against racism and oppressions of all kinds.

As individuals we are in various places on this journey. Some of us have already whole-heartedly EMBRACED the Principle, “doing the work” for decades; some are newly ENGAGED in recognizing the need for the work, some are newly EXPLORING the opportunities before us, and everyone else is somewhere along that line. Collectively, we continue the journey.

EXPLORE – Always more to learn e.g.: our History; Books & Videos; *Dawnland* Mapping Exercise

EMBRACE – Take action, e.g.: support Black-owned businesses; contribute to half plate; notice racism and other oppressions; choose from ‘103 Suggested Actions’

ENGAGE – support MUUSAN work (e.g. LD2094 re-submissions); host justice conversations & convocations; volunteer at ILAP, Welcoming the Stranger, etc.; participate with a Racial Justice Team to guide the work