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Dear Community Supporter,

ESTHER is an interfaith, nonprofit organization that works to address issues of poverty and oppression affecting the lives of families and individuals in the greater Fox Valley. We involve people of faith, individuals facing the issues we are working to change, and supportive community partners to act on core values and build a better community for all.

Does this time feel different?

We are asking you to consider supporting our work by placing an ad in our 2020 -2021 program book! The program book for our 17th Annual Virtual Celebration on November 1 will showcase the valued community partners who share our vision for a more equitable community.

This year's celebration, a virtual "Banquet" on November 1 will feature **Rev. Traci Blackmon** as ESTHER's keynote speaker.

Until the lion tells the story, the hunter will always be the hero. -West African Proverb

Rev. Blackmon is the Associate General Minister of Justice and Local Church Ministries for the United Church of Christ and Senior Pastor of Christ The King United Church of Christ, three miles from Ferguson, Missouri. She was a registered nurse for 25 years prior to becoming an ordained minister. As a featured voice on many regional, national, and international platforms, Rev. Blackmon's life work focuses on communal resistance to systemic injustice. Her response in Ferguson to the killing of Michael Brown resulted in national and international recognition, gaining her audiences at the White House, the Carter Center, and the Vatican. She co-authored the White Privilege curriculum for the UCC and toured the nation with Rev. Dr. William Barber of Repairer of the Breach and Sister Simone Campbell of Nuns on the Bus, proclaiming the need for a Moral Revival in the nations.

"I speak for the lions. And we are many!"- Rev. Traci Blackmon

The ESTHER annual program book will be distributed digitally to all ESTHER members, member congregations, community members and business leaders throughout the year, and, for the first time, ads will also be featured on the ESTHER website. Your sponsorship is both an investment in the work of ESTHER and an opportunity to feature your business in the community.

We are asking for your support of ESTHER's work and vision of people joining together to lift up the common good. By advertising with ESTHER, you are joining other voices and efforts to build a just and equitable community in the greater Fox Cities. We look forward to your support.

Sincerely,

Gary Crevier
ESTHER President