Central District Conference Upcoming Webinars:

We have several seminars that will be recorded as webinars and shared later in July, August and September.

*Taking Each Next Step: Anti-racism in Our Homes, Churches, and Conference July 16, 2p Eastern (Missional Church Committee)

As followers of Christ, we are all called to work for racial, ethnic, and religious justice in our world. Join members of the CDC Missional Church Committee in taking each next step in our personal, congregational, and conference journeys toward dismantling white supremacy and racial injustice. The webinar will offer provocations and resources from a recent Missional Church Committee task group to spur you and your congregation on towards God's liberating, all-encompassing peace. Register here

*Climate and Community: Creating and implementing plans for positive change, July 30, 2:00 pm Eastern Time(Amy Huser)

We all understand the need to address the climate crisis, but it can feel overwhelming and even pointless on an individual scale. Where do we prioritize our time and energy? Working in community with others on shared goals can empower us to create positive change. Join Amy Huser and Jenna Liechty Martin of Camp Friedenswald to hear how Camp is addressing climate holistically through the implementation of a triple-bottom-line (environmental, social, and financial) strategic plan to become a more resilient and sustainable organization. Participants will be encouraged to brainstorm ways to apply a similar framework for their family, congregation, or community. Register here

*SEMILLA

Aug 26, 7:30p Eastern time (SEMILLA Learning Tour Group)

In January, 2020, eight members from eight different CDC congregations experienced a learning tour with SEMILLA, an Anabaptist seminary serving Latin American Mennonite churches. Participants were encouraged, humbled and energized by those ministering in Mennonite churches in their context. Not only will you hear stories from these participants. You will be introduced to Willie Hugo Perez, Executive Director of SEMILLA and hear first-hand the mission and vision of SEMILLA. There will be opportunities to ask questions about this growing friendship between CDC and SEMILLA as well.

*Anabaptism as Spiritual Practice

Sept 16, time TBA (Jamie Pitts)

Anabaptism is most often talked about as a tradition defined by its central commitment to following Jesus in community. Many Anabaptists throughout the history of the tradition, however, have understood discipleship community as formed and guided by the Holy Spirit. This webinar introduces Anabaptist history as a Spirit-oriented tradition and discusses the difference that might make for our lives and congregations.