**Civility Workshop Resources**

**Dialogue Techniques**

UCC “Being a Civil Voice in Uncivil Times” including tips for faithful and respectful discussion and other resources:

<http://www.ucc.org/ourfaithourvote_civility>

To Break Political Stereotypes, this Event Tries Breaking Bread:

<http://www.wbur.org/hereandnow/2017/11/16/make-america-dinner-again>

Political Perspectives are the Main Course at these Dinner Gatherings:

<https://www.npr.org/sections/thesalt/2017/03/04/518182530/political-perspectives-are-the-main-course-at-these-dinner-gatherings>

Dialogue and Exchange — we're living in a time of intense ideological division, and it often feels impossible to bridge the gap. But can we afford not to? TED speakers explore how to communicate across the divide:

<https://www.npr.org/programs/ted-radio-hour/558307433>

A new study says people who ask more questions, particularly follow-up questions, are liked better by their conversation partners:

<https://www.npr.org/2017/11/29/567133944/people-like-people-who-ask-questions>

No challenge before us is more important — and more potentially life-giving — than that we come to see and know our fellow citizens, our neighbors, who have become strangers:

<https://onbeing.org/programs/anand-giridharadas-whitney-kimball-coe-the-call-to-community-in-a-changed-world-nov2017>

“When we're our best selves with each other, I don't think that's what's possible between people; I believe that's what's true between people."

<https://onbeing.org/programs/brene-brown-strong-back-soft-front-wild-heart-feb2018/>

Margaret Keyser Consulting — Transforming Conflict into Peaceful and Productive Relationships: <http://www.transformingconflicts.org/default.html>

Circle of Trust Approach: <http://www.couragerenewal.org/approach/>

Choosing Civility: The Twenty Five Rules of Considerate Conduct by P.M. Forni:

<http://krieger2.jhu.edu/civility/choosingcivility.html>

George Washington’s Rules of Civility and Decent Behavior in Company and Conversation: <http://www.foundationsmag.com/civility.html>

**Welcoming Prayer**

“Open Mind, Open Heart” by Thomas Keating: <https://www.contemplativeoutreach.org/product/open-mind-open-heart-paperback>

Overview: <https://www.contemplativeoutreach.org/category/category/welcoming-prayer>

The Practice of Welcoming Prayer by Cherry Haisten:

<https://www.contemplativeoutreach.org/public-file/practice-welcoming-prayer-cherry-haisten>

Welcoming Prayer Brochure: <https://www.contemplativeoutreach.org/sites/default/files/private/welcomingprayer_a4trifold_2016_0.pdf>

Welcoming Prayer — A Tool for Healing Emotional Wounds: <http://www.thought-management.com/welcoming-prayer/>

The Welcoming Prayer — A Powerful Transformative Practice: <http://globalsistersreport.org/column/contemplate/spirituality/welcoming-prayer-powerful-transformative-practice-45781>

Welcoming Prayer Video: <https://vimeo.com/16000491>