

Racial Awareness Event
The Episcopal Church in South Carolina
February 28, 2019 9:30 am – 4:00 pm
Middleton Place



Join with other diocesan leaders on Thursday February 28, 2019 at Middleton Place, 4300 Ashley River Road, Charleston. Registration and coffee at 9:30 am. The program will begin with the showing of the film at 10:00 am followed by discussion with a panel including various persons featured in the film *Beyond the Fields*, a powerful one-hour documentary produced in late 2017, which debuted on PBS, depicting the story of slavery and the story of America and its

21st century impact. The film raises important questions for our own day as well as our future.

Tracey Todd, CEO of Middleton Place, and executive producer of the 60-minute documentary that debuted in late 2017, notes, "It was time to take the interpretation of the slave experience and bring it to a new medium, with new insights from present-day historians, researchers, preservationists and historic site interpreters, along with descendants of the Middleton family and of African Americans with roots at Middleton Place. They provide a much needed and fresh perspective on what life was like here when slaves built and sustained Middleton Place, Charleston, and, for that matter, the economy of the entire region."

Speakers and facilitators include, among others, The Reverend Dr. Kylon Middleton, Pastor of Mt Zion AME Church in Charleston and Project Leader of the Charleston Illumination Project and Co-Founder of the Clementa Pinckney Foundation, as well as a number of persons featured in the film.

The day will include time for personal retreat and reflection and the opportunity to walk the grounds at Middleton Place, concluding at 4:00 pm. Registration is \$25 per person and includes lunch. Scholarships are available by contacting Callie Walpole at cwalpole@episcopalchurchsc.org. Registration online at episcopalchurchsc.org.