

Christ the King Lutheran Church
Anti-Racism Conversation – Critical Race Theory
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A Glossary of Terms – A Work in Progress!

Critical Theory

1. a philosophical approach to culture, and especially to literature, that seeks to confront the social, historical, and ideological forces and structures that produce and constrain it. The term is applied particularly to the work of the Frankfurt School.

Oxford/Lexico Dictionary www.lexico.com

Critical race theory (CRT)

is a cross-disciplinary intellectual and social movement of civil rights scholars and activists who seek to examine the intersection of race and law in the United States and to challenge mainstream American liberal approaches to racial justice. CRT began in the United States in the post-civil rights era, as 1960s landmark civil rights laws were being eroded and schools were re-segregate. With racial inequalities persisting even after civil rights legislation was enacted, CRT scholars in the 1970s and 1980s began reworking and expanding critical legal studies (CLS) theories on class, economic structure and the law to examine the role of U.S. law in perpetuating racism.

[Critical race theory - Wikipedia](#)

Theory

Academic Theory

Jim Crow Era/Laws

1619 Project

Black Lives Matter

Black Power

Black Panthers

Antifa

Abolitionism

Reparations

Equity

Equality

Parity

White Fragility/White Tears

Gentrification

Effects on communities

White Supremacy

KKK, Nazis, Anti-Semites, Aryan Nation, Skinheads

Systemic Racism

Institutional Racism

Defund the Police

Sesame St. and Critical Race Theory

Conviction Law (Arbery Trial)

Other terms tossed about

Political

Partisan

Social/societal

Theological

Biblical

Religious

Personal

Identity Politics

Public/polis