

Judith E.B. Roberts serves as ELCA Program Director for Racial Justice. The work of the ELCA Racial Justice ministries educates, equips and engages leaders to analyze the systems of racism and identify solutions that create equitable outcomes within and outside of the ELCA. The Racial Justice ministries of the ELCA serves as catalyst and bridge builder committed to the work of equipping leaders to recognize and understand the complexity and implications of racism and racial issues. Through partnerships with synods, congregations, associations and agencies, Racial Justice supports training and education in the areas of anti-racism and racial justice.

Judith is the former Director of Adult Programs for the National Conference for Community and Justice of Connecticut and Western Massachusetts; a human relations organization dedicated to fighting, bias bigotry and racism in America by promoting respect and understanding for all races, religions and cultures through advocacy, conflict resolution and education. She also worked for the William Winter Institute for Racial Reconciliation at the University of Mississippi. The Winter Institute fosters reconciliation and civic renewal wherever people suffer because of racial discrimination or alienation, and promotes scholarly research, study and teaching on the impact of race and racism.

Judith serves ecumenically on behalf of the ELCA. She is the former co-convenor for the National Council of Churches (NCC), Joint Action and Advocacy working group and a task force member of the NCC's Truth and Racial Justice Task Force.

Judith received a B.S. in Human Services from Springfield College, Springfield, and M.A. in American Studies from the University of Mississippi. She was raised in the Lutheran faith and worships at Grace Lutheran in Evanston, IL.

In her free time, she enjoys spending time with family and friends, visiting museums and traveling to new locations.