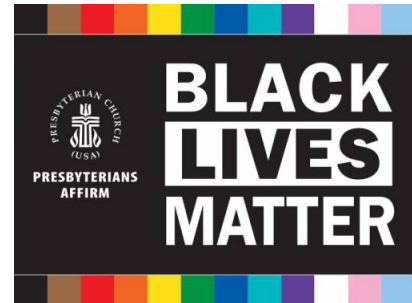


Celebrate Black History Month @ Montview and Beyond By the Montview Anti-Racism Trust Team (ARTT), February 2023

Black History Month occurs every year in February, and it is an important month for all of us to observe, honor and celebrate. Black History is our history. Black History Month is about honoring the legacy, struggle and accomplishments of African Americans in striving for their freedom, dignity and human rights in the United States. As Dr. Tisby said in an article on this topic from 2021, “The impact African Americans have made on this country is part of our collective consciousness.

Contemplating Black history draws people of every race into the grand and diverse story of this nation.” In honor of this special month, please consider getting involved in or supporting a program at Montview Church or attending, supporting or contributing to other Black History Month programs throughout our community. [Click here](#) for a list of possibilities at Montview and beyond.



FACTS TO KNOW ABOUT BLACK PRESBYTERIANS

Did you know that Black Presbyterians have played an important role in our denomination for over 200 years? The story of Black Presbyterians is vast and rich. In honor of Black History Month, the Montview ARTT would like to share with you a short article entitled "FACTS TO KNOW ABOUT BLACK PRESBYTERIANS," which chronicles important themes, dates, and moments in the history of African American men and women in the Presbyterian denomination. [Read the article here.](#)

Learn About Ruth Cousins Denny

Ruth Cousins Denny became a Montview member in 1964 and was the first black woman Deacon. She helped organize the Montview Integration Committee and was a leader in Denver's civil rights movement. Learn more about Ruth C. Denny by [clicking here](#).

Mrs. Denny will be inducted into the Colorado Women's Hall of Fame next month. Montview members are welcome and encouraged to attend. Tickets to the Colorado Women's Hall of Fame Gala can be purchased online [here](#).

Lift Every Voice and Sing: A Celebration of the Negro National Anthem

In the 1920's, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) made "Lift Every Voice" its official song. It is sung in Black churches and at Black organization events and in recent years is sung in white churches and at national events. [Read more here.](#)