

Litany for Racial Justice

(A litany recited at the “Prayer Service for Racial Justice” by John Carroll University Campus Ministry on June 2, 2020)

Leader: Please respond, “You are a child of God”.

You deserve to be able to walk alone. We remember Clifford Glover.
You deserve to be able to decorate for a birthday party. We remember Claude Reese.
You deserve to be able to ask the police a question. We remember Randy Evans.
You deserve to be able to cash a check. We remember Yvonne Smallwood.
You deserve to be able to take out your wallet. We remember Amadou Diallo.
You deserve to be able to hold a hairbrush. We remember Sean Bell.
You deserve to be able to party on New Year’s. We remember Oscar Grant.
You deserve to be able to walk home. We remember Trayvon Martin.
You deserve to be able to play loud music. We remember Jordan Davis.
You deserve to be able to ask for help. We remember Jonathan Ferrell and Renisha McBride.
You deserve to be able to sleep. We remember Ayana Jones.
You deserve to be able to shop at Walmart. We remember John Crawford.
You deserve to be able to walk from the store. We remember Michael Brown.
You deserve to be able to play cops and robbers. We remember Tamir Rice.
You deserve to be able to run. We remember Walter Scott.
You deserve to be able to live. We remember Freddie Gray.
You deserve to be able to go to Bible study. We remember the Charleston 9. Rev. Clementa Pickney, Cynthia Hurd, Sharonda Coleman-Singleton, Tywanza Sanders, Myra Thompson, Ethel Lee Lance, Susie Jackson, and Daniel Simmons.
You deserve to be able to get a traffic ticket safely. We remember Sandra Bland.
You deserve to be able to spend time with my loved ones at home. We remember Breonna Taylor.
You deserve to be able to car problems. We remember Corey Jones.
You deserve to be able to sell CDs. We remember Alton Sterling.
You deserve to be able to lawfully carry a weapon. We remember Philando Castile.
You deserve to be able to stand next to your car. We remember Terrence Crutcher.
You deserve to be able to read a book. We remember Keith Scott.
You deserve to be able to leave a party. We remember Jordan Edwards.
You deserve to be able to talk on a cellphone. We remember Steven Clark
You deserve to be able to sell products. We remember Eric Garner
You deserve to be able to relax in your own home. We remember Botham Jean.
You deserve to be able to look out of the window. We remember Atatiana Jefferson.
You deserve to be able to stand outside your apartment complex. We remember Tony McDade.
You deserve to be able to go jogging. We remember Ahmaud Arbery.
You deserve to be able to drive your car. We remember Desmond Franklin.
You deserve to be able to gather with friends in a parking lot. We remember David McAtee.
You deserve to be able to buy something from the corner store. We remember George Floyd.

Leader: We remember all who have been killed in senseless violence and we respond together.

Response: You are children of God.

Leader: Amen.