

# **Jim Crow of the North Discussion Guide**

## **Westwood Lutheran Church 3/22/20**

### **Virtual Westwood U Discussion**

1. What from this documentary was new information to you?
2. What emotions did watching this documentary elicit? Anger, guilt, disbelief? Sit with these emotions and discuss them with someone you trust.
3. Where do you see the effects of racial housing covenants today? Give concrete examples.
4. If you had a chance to attend or listen to St. Louis Park Superintendent Astein Osei's talk on schools and race from Sunday, March 8, how does this documentary speak to some of the issues he mentioned? (You can listen to Lent Westwood U talks at <https://www.westwood.church/lent2020>.)
5. In this documentary, we learned both about policy and public demand that drove the creation of racial housing covenants. In light of that:
  - What policy changes do you think would be necessary to create more equitable housing opportunity today?
  - In what ways does the "public demand" piece still play out in our housing system today? What do you think needs to change about that? What would you be willing to change about that, especially if you or someone you know is a homeowner?