Resources About Our Minute Repudiating the Doctrine of Discovery

[Indigenous history and background on the Doctrine of Discovery (link is external)]

[Review of the legal use of the Doctrine of Discovery (link is external)]

[English translation of the Doctrine of Discovery (link is external)]

[NEYM’s minute Repudiating the Doctrine of Discovery (link is external)]

Resources for Friends and Meetings about how to Repudiate the Doctrine of Discovery from the Racial, Social, and Economic Justice Committee of NEYM

[Research and healing work by Friend Paula Palmer on the Quaker role in Indian Boarding Schools (link is external)]

[Friend Diane Dicranian shares about her experience in the AFSC action at the border (link is external)]

[Healing and Reconciliation work in Maine that some Friends are a part of (link is external)]

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Two-Spirit is a term used to refer to Indigenous people who embody a diverse array of gender identities and sexual orientations beyond the binary of female/male and heterosexual. Check out this article and short video (link is external) to learn more.

Trans & transgender are broad terms used to refer to people whose gender identity is different from their assigned sex. For more on this term and others used to talk about gender, check out this useful list of words for talking about gender (link is external).

Gender non-conforming is a term used to describe people who don’t conform to society’s expectations of how we should inhabit and perform our assigned or expected genders. For more, see this useful list of words for talking about gender (link is external).

Neurotypical refers to people without a diagnosis of autism, ADD, ADHA, and other ways that the brain can be wired. Neurodivergent refers to people with a diversity of experiences in how their brains function. The naming of neurotypical and neurodivergent seek to increase our understanding of how diversity in brains can show up as part of the wider diversity of humanity. In the video, when I said, “neurotypical issues,” which was a clumsy way of referencing the ways in which those of us who are neurotypical tend to discriminate against and not include folks who are neurodivergent.
White Supremacy Culture refers to the different ways in which White Supremacy shapes how we are taught to interact; what is considered good, right, beautiful, and just; and perpetuates White Supremacy through explicit and more subtle ways. For more on how White Supremacy Culture can show up, check out this article (link is external).