

Greetings and Blessings to all my brother Clergy

I am sharing my thoughts on the results of the trial of Officer Chauvin. George Floyd's death unfortunately was a sacrifice for justice, and justice was served. Now our prayers and hopes are that by holding this officer accountable for his action, reform and changes in policing, all over the United States, will follow.

Not only that, but the sin of racism and its root causes will continue to be addressed and exposed. And there is need for us to continue all actions necessary to address essential change and reform in our justice system and policing policies urgently.

In our call to action, we must actively support the bill aimed at stemming hate crimes against Asian Americans that passed in the U.S. Senate today. The bill is very broadly supported, but still drew a "no" vote from a prominent senator (Josh Hawley). To me this illustrates just how much work remains to be done.

Remembering our Christian teaching that all people of God should be treated with respect and dignity, let us pray for peace and continue to work of justice and mercy.

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