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Port Worker Strike! Plus: White Supremacists in LA (!) & More: J&S 2.9

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"Do not take advantage of a hired worker who is poor and needy, whether that worker is a fellow Israelite or a foreigner residing in one of your towns."

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- Deuteronomy 24:14

Dear Elizabeth,

As CLUE's Faith-Rooted Organizer in Long Beach, I've seen how workplace injustice has rippled through the lives of port workers and their families. After a week of striking, I am so thankful for the continual, renewed energy of our clergy, and for national media coverage that is bringing their stories to new audiences. There may still be a long struggle ahead of us, but we feel the love and support of a very large community as we look forward. See below for a full rundown of the week's strike.



We're looking at challenging work in Cudahy, Hollywood, and along our entire southern border. But we know that we are not alone. We know that you are with us. Thank you for your ongoing support and accompaniment--for the long haul!--of workers in the struggle for economic justice.

Blessings/In Solidarity,

Grecia Lopez-Reyes, CLUE

Anti-Immigrant Attacks in Los Angeles



Anti-immigrant Joseph Turner & Arthur Schaper at Cudahy City Council Meeting, June 12, 2017
(Julia Wick / LAist);

"Sanctuary City Bingo" card targeting Rabbi Klein distributed by Turner (Rabbi Klein)

Cities that have taken proactive measures to protect their most vulnerable residents, particularly undocumented immigrants, are being targeted by hate-spewing anti-immigrant, "America First" advocates, who have surfaced with hateful rhetoric and a destructive policy goal: To defund any

city that welcomes undocumented immigrants. [American Children First](#), led by notorious anti-immigrant lobbyist Joseph Turner, with [Neo Nazi ties](#) and who [spews white supremacist rhetoric in a City Council](#), is honing in on Cudahy, Huntington Park, and other small cities in Southeast Los Angeles County, where the Latinx population tops 95%.

Want to watch something entertaining? Rabbi Klein was [videod off-guard, opposing racist rhetoric by anti-immigrant activists in Huntington Park](#), his efforts distorted into a hateful video (starting at 0:32).

CLUE will defend any and all immigrants, regardless of their immigration status, because it is the right thing to do. If you wish to participate in the organizing, [contact Rabbi Klein](#).

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A Week of Action Against Indentured Servitude at the Ports



CLUE Fellows Join Long Beach/LA Port Workers on the Picket Line

On Monday, June 19th, workers at the businesses owned by Bob Curry embarked on a one-week strike to raise awareness about their ongoing fight for justice. CLUE clergy, staff, and fellows had a strong presence at the ports and beyond throughout the intense week of action.

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A Bad Development in Hollywood



R.D. Olson Construction wants to build a sleek new hotel for Hollywood tourists without any local community benefits. Moreover, R.D. Olson's President Bill Wilhelm was until recently an "Executive Council Member" of Legatus, a well-established anti-LGBTQ organization that promotes inhumane practices such as "conversion therapy"-- so we know that without any agreements with the community, there is a high risk of discriminatory

hiring. We cannot allow this hotel project to move forward until R.D. Olson commits to helping us bring good jobs, dignity, and justice to the residents of Los Angeles.

Please call Council member O'Farrell to tell him to only support R.D. Olson's hotel if they negotiate a meaningful community benefits agreement that prevents discrimination and ensures local hiring!

>> Call Mitch O'Farrell >>

"Indivisible" Film Now Available for Congregational Screening



We would like to extend an invitation from the filmmaker to host this documentary in your congregations. Highlighting the fight to reunite all families separated by deportation, "Indivisible" is a glimpse into a life divided and the human urgency behind the push for immigration reform. (Not all sentiments expressed in the film are necessarily endorsed by CLUE.)

For any and all screenings, whether large or small, the filmmaker Kudzu Films provides custom marketing materials, sets up and monitor a Facebook event page and RSVP link to help spread the word/gather more interest in the event, and sends along a screening kit, which contains lots of other resources like a discussion guide, calls to action, template press release, and more. Cost is \$150; filmmakers suggests asking community sponsors to partner in exchange for advertising if this is over your congregation's budget.

[>> Watch the Trailer >>](#)

[>> Arrange a Screening >>](#)

This Week in #PolicyMatters:

Housing Justice for Immigrants



In response to the California housing crisis, we're watching sixteen promising state bills as they progress through our Senate and Assembly. If that seems like a lot, it is! That's why we're focusing on seven critical bills, including **AB-291, the Immigrant Tenant Protection Act**. Learn more about them here:

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Action Checklist for #SacredResistance

- **THURSDAY, JULY 6TH:** Interfaith Press Conference in Support of SB-54 (CA Values Act) - [SEE FLYER](#)
- **FRIDAY, JULY 14TH:** *Summer of the People* Disneyland Sleepout for Homelessness - [SEE FB EVENT](#)
- **WEDNESDAY, JULY 19TH:** Save the Date to Attend Romulo Avelica's Next Deportation Hearing - [WATCH VIDEO](#)
- Call LA City Councilmember O'Farrell and ask him NOT to support RD Olson's Hotel - [CALL TODAY](#)
- Use and Share the Simplified "Write to Congress" Web Tool - [WRITE TO CONGRESS](#)
- Receive CLUE's Training to Train Others in Nonviolent Civil Disobedience and Resistance - [REQUEST MORE INFO](#)

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