

**Grace Church Brooklyn Heights  
Social Justice & Reconciliation**

With the increased news coverage calling for the closure of Rikers Island, our Social Justice and Reconciliation Ministry will begin a journey exploring the current conditions at the detention complex. Taking an historical approach, we'll compare the concerns raised fifty years ago by inmates at the Attica Correctional Facility before the 1971 prison uprising. We'll examine the broader implications for better policing and criminal justice reform. The materials are available below. **Please be advised that the content includes graphic images and accounts of violence.** To join or for more information, please email Rev. Leandra Lisa Lambert at [llambert@gracebrooklyn.org](mailto:llambert@gracebrooklyn.org).

1. [Attica](#) – Documentary available November 6
2. [Blood in the Water: The Attica Prison Uprising of 1971 and Its Legacy](#) - Heather Ann Thompson  
(Part I & Epilogue--copies are available for pick-up on the tables in the back of the sanctuary.)
3. [Attica Prison Liberation Faction. Manifesto of 1971 Demands](#)
4. [The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness](#) - Michelle Alexander
5. Time: The Kalief Browder Story (Documentary available on [Netflix](#))
6. [The Black Family in the Age of Mass Incarceration](#)
7. [Why is Rikers Island Still Open?](#)
8. [A Warning at Rikers on the Anniversary of a Deadly Prison Uprising](#)
9. [Rikers Island Is an Endless Catastrophe](#)
10. NY Parole Reform – [Less is More Campaign](#)