

## RIC Curriculum Resources for Congregational Conversations

This video resource is available for Advent Lutheran Church members to watch at their leisure. Section One will be used as part of our RIC conversations to be held Aug 2, Aug 9, Aug 30 in preparation for our congregational vote Sept 13, 2026

- Clunky Questions Videos, Reconciling Works
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0AlsN0b1Ktw> 2.05 min
    - Queer youth, leaving church, coming back
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iZgVnLUUF0A> 3.07 min
    - "How do you know you are gay?"
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nmSZij1EHR8> 2.46 min
    - "You're LGBTQ and a pastor! How does that work?"
  - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KeJ8\\_umyMc0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KeJ8_umyMc0) 2.29 min
    - "Why can't church just say "All are Welcome!" and leave it at that?"
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WpQK2U7ci2g> 3.32 min
    - "'LGBTQQIA' Why do you need a label for everything?"
  - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x\\_2Z6HHcmGg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x_2Z6HHcmGg) 2.34 min
    - "Is this a gay church now?"

### Other Clunky Questions Short Videos

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pd4qj1eTQ58> 2.59 min
  - "Who's the man in the relationship?"
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RP7k29CEYhg> 2.25 min
  - "So are all of your sermons about gay things?"
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8jRBfekOjPQ> 4.10 min
  - "I don't 'get' trans."
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XAVx8-OVj-c> 2.46 min
  - "I didn't know you were a gay pastor! You seem so normal."

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## Longer Educational Videos

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WLt--YNa6s0> 36.51 min
  - Becoming an RIC (Reconciling in Christ) Congregation,
    - Southeastern Synod, Reconciling Works partnership
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WLt--YNa6s0> 44.14 min
  - Reconciling in Christ Congregation Leaders Share Wisdom from the Journey
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QImNx1JA3BI> 46.58 min
  - "Through My Eyes": True stories of young gay Christians
    - Q Christian Fellowship

## NOTES:

If you are LGBTQ+ please know that some of the content of these videos may be uncomfortable. If at any time you feel troubled or unsafe please consider turning off the video. Nothing here is violent, dangerous, or the like, they are purely for educational purposes. However, we know that because our coming out stories are so varied, one person's experience may not be that of another and for that reason you are encouraged to center your own mental and spiritual well being above all else.

If you are NOT LGBTQ+ you are even more encouraged to watch all of these videos. While none of the people in these videos are members of Advent Lutheran Church, they do closely represent the lived experiences of many of the LGBTQ+ members of our congregation. If the videos become uncomfortable for you, you are encouraged all the more to sit in the midst of your feelings, offering them to God. We are confident that God will tend to you with grace and compassion. Thank you for doing your part to help our church be a place of physical, emotional, and spiritual safety.