FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS RESOURCES

<u>Ballot Ready</u> from Texas Impact – enter your address to check your voter registration, see your elected and appointed officials, research your ballot, and get ready to participate in the next election.

<u>VoteTexas</u> from the Texas Secretary of State - provide basic information required to vote such as last day to register for the next election, check an individual's voter registration status, polling place, etc.

<u>Vote411.org</u> - a "one-stop-shop" for election related information. It provides nonpartisan information to the public with both general and state-specific information on the following aspects of the election process:

- Absentee ballot information
- Ballot measure information (where applicable)
- Early voting options (where applicable)
- Election dates
- Factual data on candidates in various federal, state and local races
- General information on such topics as how to watch debates with a critical eye
- ID requirements
- Polling place locations
- Registration deadlines
- Voter qualifications
- Voter registration forms
- Voting machines

<u>Work Elections</u> – connect with your county to become a poll worker: checking in voters, answering their questions, setting up and testing voting machines, issuing ballots, etc.

<u>Student Election Clerk information</u> – students 16 years of age or older can participate in the electoral process by serving as election clerks at the polling place during Early Voting or on Election Day

Texas Election Training – training and resources for poll workers and watchers

<u>Living Our Faith Voter Information Booth</u> from Texas Impact – step by step guide to create local voter information booth for the purpose of registering voters, sharing ballot information, help voters understand the logistics of voting, etc.

<u>A Matter of Faith</u> from Texas Impact – interfaith prayers, litanies, sermon starters, and other resources for considering voting through the lens of faith

<u>Tending the Civic Soil</u> from the Neighboring Movement - a worship resource for election season, includes 4 week series with ideas and suggestions for sermons with exegetical background, songs, prayers, children's sermon, and creative responses to the sermon.

<u>Creating Change Together: A Toolkit for Faithful Civic Engagement</u> from the General Board of Church & Society – includes a section on engaging in the electoral process and the rights and responsibilities of faithful voters.

<u>Center for Common Ground</u> was founded to educate and empower under-represented voters in voter suppression states, such as Texas, to engage in elections and advocate for their right to vote. One way you or your church can get involved directly is by <u>sending postcards</u>.