

NEWSLETTER 1/22/26

Sunday Service, 3 P.M.:

FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE

625 SOUTH ST., DAVIDSON

Please visit our events calendar for more information.

Mail: P.O. Box 991 Davidson, NC 28036

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Jan. 25 - Service cancelled due to expected ice

Services can be viewed live at 3:10 p.m., and later for replays, by visiting our website. Information on upcoming services can also be found on our Facebook page.

Feb. 1 - All-Music Service

If you were ever going to invite your friends to a Unitarians of Lake Norman service, this is the one. All music for 90 minutes in deference to folks who think two hours is too long. Born on Gail and Jim Arnold's back porch as an auction item, the popularity of this ringing tribute to the musical heritages of all who show up exceeds expectations and turns out to be a big, beautiful affirmation of who we are and what we love.

Our gathering with the Jews and the Quakers last Sunday was superb. Nothing like food to gather a good bunch.

As I was leaving, one of the women said "Aren't you glad to learn that we don't have horns and tails? And aren't we glad that you don't?" She and I were laughing, but I added that all the artwork that created those images has been used for hundreds of years to create hatred for Jews. We had a laughing moment and a sad moment after.

Thanks to Lynn Henderson and everybody who helped make it such a success. Shout out to Karen Abrams for showing up with a baby gift for Rabbi Becca. Everybody said we have to do it again. Doug Wall keeps threatening a potluck now that we know food is permissible in the lobby. What great assemblies of folks on both sides of the temple parking lot.

P.S. This month's Share the Plate collection will go to All Souls Community in Forest City to help immigrants. If your contribution is by check, you may also make it out to Unitarians of Lake Norman or UUFLKN and write "All Souls" or "immigrants" in the memo space.

The next fence-build by Heart of the Carolinas UU Animal Ministry will be Saturday, Jan. 31 at 9 a.m., rescheduled from Jan. 24 due to expected bad weather. We will be building two

enclosures for 16 well-loved dogs. The address is 1448 Bess Chapel Church Rd., Cherryville. If you've ever wondered what we're about, please join us. We need lots of helping hands. Please call Claudia (704 280-2354) if you have any questions about how you can help.

Congregation members and friends gathered Jan. 11 in Davidson for a vigil following the fatal shooting of Renee Good in Minneapolis.

Our congregation's next volunteer shift at FeedNC is Thursday, Feb. 12, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Lots of hands are needed -- please contact Jim Arnold if you can help.

Auction News

Mark your calendars for the annual UU FUNdraising Auction, May 9 at 6 p.m. at Bailey's Glen Clubhouse, 12100 Meetinghouse Dr. in Cornelius. We will have both live and silent auctions with food and drink provided. Invite your family and friends!

What you can do to help: Think of what you could donate. Do you have a skill, talent or product that you'd like to share? Would you like to host a dinner or gathering? How about inviting bidders on a hike, a boat ride, or out for coffee and a movie? Volunteer to help on the day of the auction, such as by setting up and cleaning up, serving food or drinks, or by serving as a greeter. Ask businesses you frequent, such as restaurants or hair salon, if they would make a tax-deductible donation to the auction. Questions? Contact Pat Wall.

Last Friday was another full Friday Action Hour organized by UU Justice NC. The Director of UUA's Side with Love Strategy Team joined us for an update about Minneapolis and shared several resources for supporting our allies there. You can find these resources here in our Action Hour document.

We then heard from Heba Atwa, director of legislative advocacy with the NC Budget & Tax Center. She gave us an overview of federal and state tax cuts that benefit the wealthy at the expense of our poorest neighbors. She asked us to take action by writing letters to the editor for our local papers denouncing these unjust cuts. You can participate in our LTE campaign with UU Justice NC's tool kit here.

Join us this Friday morning at 11 on the Zoom link. If Friday doesn't work for you, please take a moment to look over the Action Hour document here. It is updated every week to suggest small actions you can take to support Unitarian values.

UU Lake Norman's Building Fund accepts donations to help ensure our future. For more information, please contact Alan Perkinson.

FROM OUR TREASURER Thanks to all who have pledged to keep our Fellowship strong. You can mail your pledge to: UU Lake Norman, P.O. Box 991, Davidson 28036. To set up easy online giving from our website, just click the "Pledge or Donate" tab at the top of the page.

Join us? If you are not a member but would like more information on becoming a member, please contact Marjorie Flowers at Membership@UULakeNorman.org.

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We walk diverse paths to find meaning and purpose, but we are united by our belief in the inherent worth and dignity of all, and the obligation to express our faith through acts of justice and compassion. Join us as we create a diverse, spirit-curious, and justice-seeking community.

Please send your newsletter items, suggestions or comments to Bruce Henderson at news@uulakenorman.org. The deadline for each week's newsletter is midnight Wednesday.

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