

NEWSLETTER 2/19/26

Sunday Service, 3 P.M.:
FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE
625 SOUTH ST., DAVIDSON

Please visit our events calendar for more information.

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Feb. 22 - Rev. Pat Jobe: 'Tides of Change. Pillars of Truth.'
What lasts? What is impermanent? In fact, the Buddhists recommend a meditation on impermanence that many of us found utterly mystifying the last time it was talked about. Get ready to be mystified again as the entire universe is about to disappear and then reappear and then disappear again.

The Rev. Pat Jobe joined our Fellowship on Aug. 1, 2020. He is married to his lovely spouse Gabe and is an enthusiastic supporter of UU Lake Norman, FeedNC, Heart of the Carolinas UU Animal Ministry, the Barefoot Ministry, and all work done by UUs in our area.

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.

March 1 - Rev. Pat Jobe: 'Are Birthdays Important?'
On the day before Dr. Seuss's birthday, Rev. Pat will question our culture's obsession with cake, candles, ice cream and noting the passing of another year. Smart aleck newspaper columnist Dave Barry once wrote, "After about age eight, birthdays really should not be all that important." What do you think?

We have lived through so many special services of late we might feel let down to return to a "normal" Sunday afternoon.

I once complained to my mother about my brother's lack of interest in the Vietnam War and civil rights. She said, "Leave him alone. He's the only normal person in this family." I've also heard there are no normal people, rather normal is just a setting on our dryers.

Normal among us is, ironically, a very high standard. I worry sometimes that we drive some people away because our congregations are made up of very compassionate, empathetic, intelligent people who far exceed average. Some of our visitors may not come back because they can't live up to our standards.

Let's keep meeting those standards anyway. Love to all and thank you again for the joy of serving such a great bunch.

Help Document our Story

The Board has started a project to document the history of our Fellowship. Tim Brown has volunteered to lead the project and be the congregation's historian. Please send documents, notes, and especially photographs to Tim to help document our history.

Humanists of Lake Norman Quarterly Meeting

When: Sunday, March 1

Where: Friends Meeting House, 625 South St., Davidson.

Time: 4 p.m. (following the 3 p.m. UU service)

Program: Noted Humanist Michael Warner. Michael has participated in many relevant UU and Humanist organizations including as past president of the American Humanist Association. He has spoken and taught widely in the cause of Humanism and Humanistic values. His talk will be "An Idea that Counts."

There will be a brief social gathering before the meeting starts, and an opportunity to join Michael for an informal dinner following his talk. For more information, email Jeff Blum.

Heart of the Carolinas UU Animal Ministry's next fence build will be this Saturday, Feb. 21 at 9 a.m. The address is 258 Bynum Rd., Lincolnton. All volunteers will be welcomed. _____

Our next opportunity to serve at FeedNC will be Thursday, March 12. Please contact Jim Arnold if you can help.

Auction News

The auction will be May 9 at Bailey's Glen Clubhouse, Cornelius -- that's in 79 days and counting! We're counting on you to help make the auction a success. Think of something that you'd like to offer. Throw a party, cook a meal, take someone to a museum, lead a hike, babysit a child or pet sit, offer a movie night, organize a closet, plant a garden, paint a room -- the ideas are endless. For our silent auction, we are looking for brand new items -- it's a great way to recycle an unneeded item or gift. We will also have a table of items for \$5 each. These can be used items in good condition. Forms will be available to list your donation in late March. Contact Pat and Doug Wall if you have any questions.

Everyone is welcome to join the weekly Friday Action Hour, a virtual gathering of justice-seeking friends where we take action together and nurture our spirits for the work ahead. It's an opportunity to live our values.

Information, phone numbers, suggested scripts for all actions are spelled out in the Action Hour document. Join us this Friday morning at 11 via this 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 describe small actions you can take to support Unitarian values through action.

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 admin@UULakeNorman.org.

Rev. Pat Jobe
UU Lake Norman Minister

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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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