

NEWSLETTER 4/16/26

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

Please visit our events calendar for more information.

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April 19 - Rev. Pat Jobe: 'The Shadows are Getting Longer' As much as we would like to stay cheerful, the shadows are getting longer. The darkness is sad and threatens our sanity. We can stabilize by remembering those who have loved us and encouraged us over the years.

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.

April 26 - Clint Tawes: 'If You Knew Me Then' This message explores the power and necessity of transformation. Drawing on the story of Paul's Damascus Road experience, it reframes change not as a single dramatic moment, but as an ongoing, sacred process of growth, self-examination, and becoming. Clint Tawes is a father of three daughters, a middle school English teacher, and an aspiring Unitarian Universalist minister. He is a former ordained Pentecostal minister and is currently in the process of becoming a UU minister. Clint holds a B.A. in English from the College of Charleston and a Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from Georgia Southern University. He is currently pursuing a Master of Divinity degree at Starr King School for the Ministry. Clint lives in Charleston, S.C., where he is a member of the Unitarian Church.

Believing we are enough? Our April 12 service felt like it went over pretty well. Thanks to all who are mulling how to meet the challenges before you, especially anything you can do to bring picnic food and hippie garb to the auction on May 9. If you have a special event or priceless treasure to donate to the auction, let Pat Wall know ASAP. The five people who spoke during the April 12 talkback really gunned my engine. Thanks especially to Sue Cunningham for her words.

After service our pastoral care committee met to talk about how we do that work. What a great bunch: chaired by Natalie Heling, the committee is made up of Mary Nicholson, Sue Friday, Nancy Embry and Naomi Gunn. Hal Rubin, Tim Brown, Alan Perkinson and others

dealing with various challenges have all expressed appreciation for the care they have gotten. We are good at caring for each other. That kind of care is precious beyond measure.

John Lawrence says he is backing away for the time being. Not mad at anybody. Just feeling a little older and not liking to burn \$4 gas.

Heart of Carolinas UU Animal Ministry will resume building fences in mid- May. In the meantime, on Saturday, April 25 at 9 a.m., we will be building dog houses. If you would be interested in helping, let Claudia know (704-280-2354). Donations of money or unused roofing shingles are always welcome.

FeedNC in Mooresville needs our help to chop, cook, serve and wash from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 14. Please contact Jim Arnold by email or at 216-225-4158 to sign up.

Our next quarterly N.C. DOT Adopt-a-Highway litter pickup on Concord Road in Davidson will be on Saturday, May 23 at 9:30 a.m. Three volunteers are needed. Please contact Jim Arnold.

Our "Peace, Love and Bid!" Auction will be May 9 at 6 p.m. at Bailey's Glen Clubhouse, 12100 Meetinghouse Dr. in Cornelius. Donations are needed! We only have about 20 live auction items so far. The auction may be only 23 days away, but donation forms are due in 12 days so that the items can be included in the catalog. Remember that your donation benefits the Fellowship.

We have a volunteer sheet with lots of spots to fill in for set up, clean up, welcome table, bar attendant, food prep and service, and \$5 table attendants. We also have sheets to sign up for bidding paddles and to bring food for our "picnic-style" food offerings. All will be at the Fellowship's services on Sundays, or you can contact Pat Wall. Don't forget to invite family and friends!

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 Membership@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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