

NEWSLETTER 9/3/26

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

Please visit our events calendar for more information.

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Sept. 6 - Rev. Pat Jobe: 'Ambition for the Common Good'

When the Gandhi character in the movie is told, "You are very ambitious," he replied, "Oh, I hope not." But he was. We know that. His ambition was to use nonviolence to drive the British out of India. He succeeded after many long decades and years in prison, but his remarkable ambition was realized. Do we have that kind of ambition for the common good?

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. Sundays, and later for replays, by clicking here to reach them on our website. Information on upcoming services can also be found on our Facebook page.

Sept. 13 - Rev. Pat Jobe: 'Three Powerful Words'

We think we know the three most powerful words, but maybe they are not "I love you." Maybe they're "That's all, folks," or "Come on down." From a little girl who broke her mother's favorite vase comes a memory that may give us a different point of view.

Unitarians of Lake Norman clearly enjoyed a poetry session that was hosted recently by Kim Lucas.

Join Heart of the Carolinas UU Animal Ministry this Saturday, Sept. 5, as we build much-needed fences for two large dogs. Work starts at 9 a.m. No experience is needed and all tools are provided. The address is 6550 Deerwood Tr., Vale.

A large and vocal group gathered at the August meeting of Mooresville's Board of Commissioners to protest the construction of an Islamic center in Mooresville. Speakers suggested that the use of the space for a house of worship -- which is allowed under the relevant zoning -- somehow excluded a Muslim mosque. Numerous voices cited the dangers of allowing Muslims a gathering place. The scene was at least troubling, if not horrifying. The next Mooresville commissioners meeting will be next Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 6 p.m. at the Town Hall, which is at 413 N. Main St. We hope to have a large showing of people who value the First Amendment, which clearly tells us there is freedom of religion in the United States. Please join us in supporting our Muslim neighbors.

Come help chop, cook, serve and clean at FeedNC in Mooresville for our upcoming volunteer shift from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 10. No experience is required, and the need at this food nonprofit is great. [Click here to email Jim Arnold](#) if you can be there.

Our guest speaker this past Sunday, UNC Charlotte Professor Chris Cameron, has invited Fish Stark, executive director of the American Humanist Association and a UU, to speak at UNCC on Saturday, Oct. 3 from 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The location on campus is yet to be determined. Stark will speak on "Confronting Christian Nationalism." The talk coincides with the UU Justice Ministry's upcoming Dogwood Faith Project aimed at the same issue. The event is cosponsored by the Humanists of Piedmont NC -- [click here to email the group](#).

Last week, our guest speaker at Action Hour was Rev. Amy Brooks Paradise, who served as our pastor for many years. She is now the U.S. Program Coordinator for GreenFaith, the multi-faith international organization focused on climate justice. Amy spoke about the Covenant for Our Future, a campaign to unite people of conscience to resist the greatest threats. She urges all of us to inform members of Congress about the true impacts of HR-1 (the Big Beautiful Bill). Hundreds of thousands of North Carolinians have lost food stamp (SNAP) benefits. Medicaid funding has been cut, with an estimated 650,000 set to lose medical coverage. Please find the facts presented in our Google document ([link below](#)).

You can find out how easy it is to speak your truth during UU Justice NC's weekly Friday Action Hour, a Zoom 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 and suggested scripts for all actions are spelled out in the Google doc -- [click here to view it](#). Join us this Friday morning at 11 by clicking on this Zoom link. If Friday doesn't work for you, please take a moment to look over the Google doc, updated every week to describe small actions you can take to support Unitarian values. Sign up for our Friday Action Hour weekly email by [clicking here](#). Thanks!

Mooresville Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Unitarians of Lake Norman will not meet at the Quaker Meeting House in Davidson on Nov. 15. Instead, we will take part in the Mooresville Interfaith Thanksgiving Service that day from 3-5 p.m. at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 164 Fairview Rd. in Mooresville. It's free to the public but donations of new gloves would be appreciated. For more information, [click here to email the organizers](#).

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.

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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 news@uulakenorman.org. The deadline for each week's newsletter is 5 p.m. Wednesday.

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