

UUTC UPDATE

MARCH 2ND, 2018



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS OF PENNSYLVANIA COUNTY

A WELCOMING CONGREGATION

THE RICHNESS OF OUR FAITH

By Rev. Ilene Tompkins-Gillispie

Sunday, March 4th at **9:15am** and **11:00am**

To begin this month's worship theme of wealth, we will explore together in this service the wealth of gifts we receive from our participation in this Unitarian Universalist community. What do we give and receive together at UUTC? What do we desire, what are we owed, and what can we offer? Come to explore these and many other questions, in worship together.

Join us for coffee between services at 10:30am!



*Music
washes away from
the soul
the dust of
everyday life.*

Berthold Auerbach

TEAM MEETING NIGHT, WED

Team Leaders, get your pizza counts in!

COMING UP at UUTC

Souper Sunday—Sunday @ noon

Electrical Work Begins—Mon

Sikhism Class — Mon 3/5 @ 1:00pm

Men's Group — Tues 3/6 @ 9:00am

SMART Recovery — Tues 3/6 @ 6:00pm

Eclectics — Wed 3/7 @ 9:30am

Choir Rehearsal — Wed 3/7 @ 4:00pm

Team Meeting Night— Wed 3/7 @ 5:00pm

Women's Group — Thurs 3/8 @ 12:30pm

Growing Younger — Fri 3/9 @ 11:00am

SOUPER SUNDAY! THIS SUNDAY!

This week is SOUPer Sunday! Don't miss this opportunity to revel in the culinary skills of the many wonderful folks who help us warm up after the second service. Delish! Added benefit: spending time with terrific people. Bring bread, fruit, veggies, chips, dip or other finger foods to share. Donations appreciated to offset the cost.

Souper Sunday meets in the Social Hall and is a true highlight of the month for many. Come enjoy!



SOCIAL ACTION AGENCY FOR MARCH — S.A.F.E.

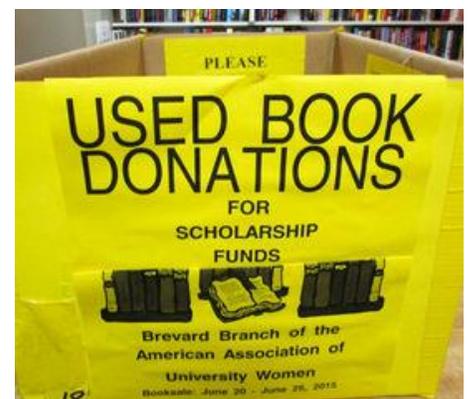
For more than twenty years, SAFE has provided services with the vision that all victims of domestic and sexual assault will be shown dignity and respect and given the opportunity to create lasting changes that result in a life free of violence and abuse. SAFE operates Stacey's House, a shelter where women and their children can go to escape crisis situations and receive counseling and support for an improved future.

You may scan the image at right with your phone camera and make a donation today. *This is an opportunity to give, not an obligation.* If you prefer, text **UUTC SAFE** to **73256** to give to the S.A.F.E. fund using your text messaging. Standard text messaging rates may apply.



AAUW BOOK DRIVE — BREAK THE BOX!

The AAUW Book Drive raises funds for scholarships for women who attend our local colleges. The local chapter has been conducting this drive for 48 years—a real history of support for education. Dig through those bookshelves and see what you can part with for the cause! If you have a large number of books and need them to be picked up, call Penny Davies at 828-966-9393.



FIRST SIKHISM CLASS STARTS MONDAY, MARCH 5TH

If you signed up oh, those many weeks ago, you may need a refresher on the details: Monday, March 5th from 1:00-2:30pm in the sanctuary, come learn more about Sikhism! This mini-course will run for 4 weeks, with the course wrapping up on the 26th.



The evening edition of the class begins April 16th, from 5:30-7:00pm, and runs for a mere 3 weeks. This class also meets in the sanctuary.

If you have not yet signed up but would like to, no worries! The sign up sheet is on the front counter.

MARCH MORNING ON MEMBERSHIP—

MARCH 24th @ 9:00am

Why become a Member? How? Beginning with this morning, Rev. Ilene will guide you to the Why and How of opening yourself to UUTC membership. The Membership Team will start the morning off with beverages and treats and top it off with lunch from 12:30-1:30pm.



See the Sign up Sheet on the office counter or email admin@uutc.org.

New Members will sign, be welcomed before the congregation and celebrate with each other at the Welcoming Ceremony and Reception the morning and afternoon of Sunday, April 8th. Anyone that has taken another UUTC Prospective Member Class is invited to inquire about becoming a Member on this day.

If the class date of March 24th does not work for you, please ask about the next date in June.



LUNCH & DISCUSS -- WOMEN'S GROUP, THURS, MARCH 8TH

The UUTC Women's Group will meet **this Thursday, March 8, at 12:30 p.m.** for a brown bag lunch and shared munchies.

We plan to discuss one (or both) of these topics:

- 1) What's on your **Bucket List?** and/or
- 2) What part does **fear** play in your life?



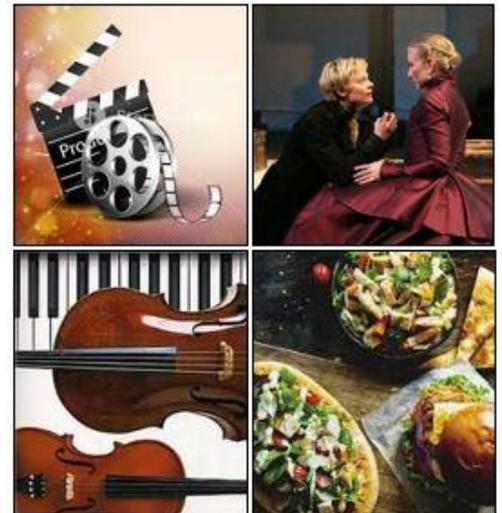
CIRCLE DINNERS

Circle Dinners have been scheduled for April 20, May 18 & June 15. The mission of Circle Dinners is to create greater connections among Members, Friends and Newcomers. Circle Dinners are potluck with a single, couple or couple with children hosting in their home. If you do host, it's for one time and then you are a participant for the other nights. Folks are encouraged to participate in two or three dinners. Participants are assigned in a way that there are at least two people they've met from the previous dinner. The more you participate, the more folks you meet! Sign-up and more information are at the front counter. Contact Elizabeth Thompson (828-384-0778) for more information.

DO YOU LIKE TO GET OUT & ABOUT?

Do you find yourself reluctant to take advantage of interesting and fun events in Brevard because it is no fun to go alone? Do you enjoy events more in the company of others?

Out & About is a UUTC initiative to get folks together for movies, plays, concerts, etc., in other words, to be Out & About with old and new friends! With Spring on the way, there will be more opportunities coming up. If you would like your name added to the notification list, please contact [Joanna Bliss](#).



PI DAY • PIE DAY! MARCH 14TH

What better way to provide memories of better times or to help folks feel cared for than to feed them pie?

Join Betty Kendrick, RK Young and others in baking pies for Bread of Life to be delivered by 10:00am on **π day**, March 14th. We need a minimum of 22 pies to make sure everyone has their own slice. Sign up at the front counter.

FREE YOGA 4 MARCH FRIDAYS, 11:00-12:15pm at UUTC

Kashmyra, Yoga & Pilates instructor, is offering Free classes the entire month of March for any UUTC Member or Friend who has never taken her classes before. For more info, call Kashmyra at 828-393-5955.



ARE YOU THE ANSWER TO THE QUESTION?

Imagine that you had to find people who were not only willing to lead but also had the skills necessary to fill particular positions. Who is good with people? Who is super organized? Who has time? Do I even know that about anybody?

And, there is the approach that asks a different type of question—who, as a member of this community, seems ready to grow into a new role? Who seeks to provide a different type of service or stewardship of this community with heart and mind? **In this case, you may be the best one to answer the question.** If you feel you are ready, then do not hesitate to call one of our Nominations Committee members and let them know of your interest—or [email the whole crew](#).

This year, the Nominations Committee is seeking Members to fill the Board positions of President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer and one At-Large position. They must also identify two new Members for the Nominations Committee of 2018-2019. Not everyone is eligible.

One of the responsibilities of Membership is to participate in the election of people to serve in these two ways: the Board of Trustees and the Nominations Committee. Likewise, to serve on either of these bodies, requires that the individual be a Member of UUTC.

In addition, those who serve in these roles may have to give up another role at UUTC. Our Organizational Structure defines Dual Membership this way: a Board member may not serve concurrently as a Council member or as a Committee Chair or Chair-Elect. The Board President may not serve as a Team Leader. Nominees for Board positions who hold one of these positions agree to resign the other responsibility, if elected to the nominated position.

What is not needed is experts. Good people will always rise, in different ways, to the occasion. Each person's style of leadership may differ, but if we cannot tolerate diversity in our own leadership, then we have no business recommending to the rest of the world how it should be run.

You may soon receive a call from the Nominations Committee. If you do, they must see something in you as essential to UUTC at this time. One hundred and seventy-two Members... if they call you, please consider the request. ***You may be the change you wish to see.***



Peg Hall, Chair, 828-553-7541



Bart Renner, 317-608-7342



Virginia MacDonald, 828-862-6505

IN HONOR / MEMORY OF...

If you've been wanting to memorialize or honor a current or former member of UUTC, did you know that you can choose the "destination" of your gift? When contributions come to UUTC in Memory or Honor of an individual, our Board President writes to the donor and to the individual or family member (if the individual is deceased) to confirm your gift. Your gift can be designated to the Endowment Fund, Varsity Fund, General Fund or to the Sponsored Projects Fund. If the gift is going to Sponsored Projects, you could, for instance, specify the Memorial Garden... or any other project on the list.

THIS SUNDAY, SAY GOODBYE...

...to the vast majority of our florescent lighting. Glade Creek Services, owned by Jeremy Basting, will be arriving bright and early Monday morning to replace worn out switches and fixtures with new LED lighting. He will begin in the Social Hall and large classroom. Tuesday he will attack the minister's office, the AV room and the small classroom. Wednesday will be Foyer lighting and nursery ventilation day (and anything left incomplete elsewhere).



A large contribution to Sponsored Projects in December made this project possible. Big thanks!

UUJMNC MEETS \$1,000 CHALLENGE GRANT

Thank you to the dozens of individual UUs and two **UU congregations** (Greenville and **Brevard**) who donated \$1,840 to the UU Justice Ministry of NC between December, 2017, and February, 2018. Because of their generosity, the UUA Funding Panel will be sending UUJMNC a check for an additional \$1,000 in funding to help "reboot" UUJMNC in 2018.

We're off to a great start but still need to raise another \$12,000 from UUs and UU congregations in North Carolina in 2018 to create and sustain a more effective, more visible, and adequately funded statewide justice ministry that will give life the shape of justice in North Carolina. Please make your [contribution to UUJMNC](#) today.

**Article is from the UUJMNC newsletter. Rev. John Saxon took UUTC's speaking honorarium and donated it to the UU Justice Ministry of NC coffers. Rev. Saxon's note to us is on the bulletin board in the foyer.*

TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE CONGREGATION FOR JANUARY

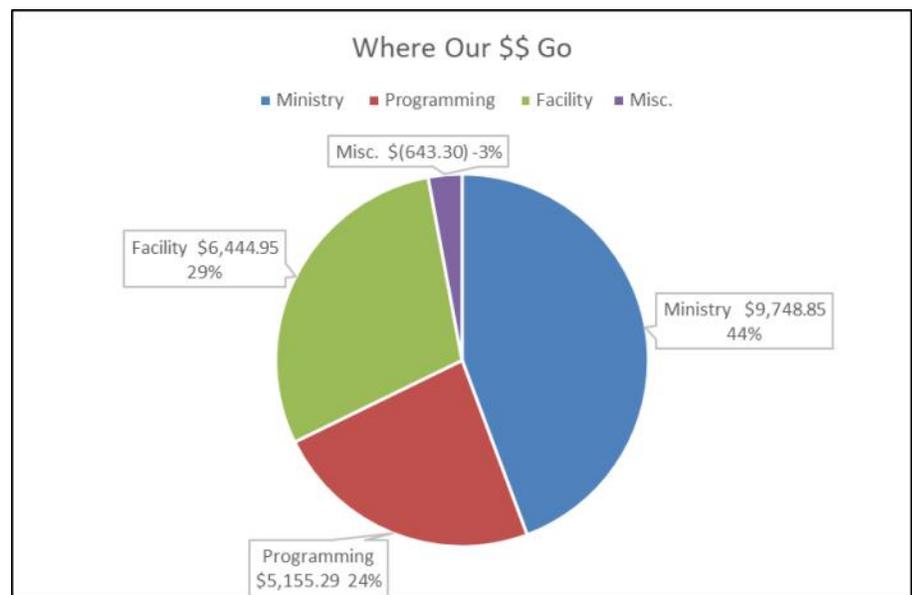
Dear Friends and Members,

The information presented below provides a snapshot of our fiscal standing as of the end of January. Our fiscal year begins July 1st and ends on June 30th.

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>Fiscal YTD</u>
Beginning Balance Cash-On-Hand	\$ 23,932.53	\$ 32,944.14
Income through January 30th, 2017	\$ 6,936.37	\$ 141,283.27
Reserve Funds balance	\$ 40,191.84	\$ 40,191.84
Endowment Funds received/(transferred)	\$(10,301.43)	\$ 10,831.14
Total Funds available through Dec 31st	\$ 60,759.31	\$ 225,250.39

<u>Expenses</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>Fiscal YTD</u>
Ministry	\$ 9,748.85	\$ 79,576.67
Programming	\$ 5,155.29	\$ 51,013.16
Facility	\$ 6,444.95	\$ 31,649.87
Misc.	\$ (643.30)	\$ 2,251.38
Total Expenditures through Dec. 31st	\$ 20,705.79	\$ 164,491.08

Our expenditures for January break out as shown at right:



Please remember that checks for the charitable giving institution of the month need to be **made out to UUTC**, with the name of the charitable cause on the memo line. Checks made out to the charity will not credit UUTC with a donation and cause accounting problems.

Respectfully,

Dave Roberts, treasurer@uutc.org mobile: 610-751-6309



Inclusive. Intentional. INVOLVED.

Our Mission, as a welcoming, inclusive community acting from love, compassion and respect is:

*To support individual spiritual journeys and
To promote social, economic and environmental justice.*

KEEP UP WITH US ON FACEBOOK!

Like us on Facebook and keep up with events during the week—get early notification on sermons! Great posts from our Children's Religious Exploration program and more. Click the logo to be taken to the page!



UUA Southern Region Newsletter [HERE!](#)



SOUTHERN REGION

KEEP UP WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING!!!

VIEW our "insider" [church calendar](#). For previous issues of the UUTC Update, click [HERE](#).

SEND news for this newsletter by 10:00am on Wednesdays.

CONTACT US

Need Pastoral Care? Call Rev. Ilene at (877) 510-5603.

Church office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until noon and by appointment. The church telephone number is **828-877-6121**. Our mailing address is UUTC, PO Box 918, Brevard, NC 28712. Our website is www.uutc.org. Our church is located at the corner of Varsity Street and South Broad Street in Brevard. Our email address is admin@uutc.org.