

TJMC Bulletin

Sunday Services

Theme for October: ATONEMENT

This is one of those “heavy” religious words that can carry a lot of baggage for Unitarian Universalists, but look carefully at it and you will see it is simplest definition built right in: at-one-ment. At its core, atonement has to do with the rebuilding of relationship.

9:15 AM + 11:15 AM Services

October 2

Confession is Good For The Soul.

Thomas Collier and Erik Wikstrom will weave worship that will explore the many facets of the concept of confession, and may make some surprising discoveries along the way. This will be a STAR Story Sunday.

October 9

Reconciliation

We all have places in our lives where we need reconciliation; with family and friends, with ourselves, with that which is deepest and most high. Bob Kiefer and Rev. Erik Wikstrom will weave a service of hope.

October 16

What's In A Name?

Thomas Jefferson Memorial Church has quite a name to live up to. TJ is an ancestor to be truly proud of. And his legacy includes much that cries out for atonement. What could be TJMC's role in that process? Elizabeth Breeden and Rev. Erik Wikstrom will weave an exploration. The choir will sing “All My Trials.”

October 23

Strangers in a Strange Land

Is it possible to atone for actions that are still going on? The current immigration debate demonstrates that the work is never ending. Pam Phillips and Rev. Erik Wikstrom will be weaving our worship.

October 30

Ancestors' Sunday

We will begin this service by creating a communal Ancestors' Altar. (Please bring an image or a memento of someone you love who has died.) Then Debrah Rose and Rev. Erik Wikstrom will weave a worship that explores how we can live lives that are “worthy of our ancestors.”

Keep Connecting...

Thank you for helping to make the Cultivating Connections all-church gathering on Saturday, September 10, a big success! Almost a fourth of our congregation, 99 adults and 25 children, gathered to “talk” about and “do” projects for our community. It was great, but one Saturday is not enough. Here are some of the ways you can keep connecting with each other:

Socialize in the Social Hall. Instead of working on church business, challenge yourself to talk to at least one person you do not already know every Sunday.

Sign up for a Circle Dinner, Covenant Group, or Adult Faith Development class. Invite a friend to come with you.

Teach RE to make connections with other people's amazing children.

Volunteer your time and talents – join a committee. Come to the Activity Fair in the Social Hall in October to see all of the ways you could become involved.

Bring a friend to church!

Did you know that the Board has endorsed “Cultivating Connections” as a theme for this church year? Challenge your groups to brainstorm ways they can take on this theme as well. How can we transform our church through the connections we make with each other? Thanks again to all those whose hard work contributed to this event.



TJMC Invited to Bellair Farm

Bellair Farm Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) has invited TJMC to visit and have lunch! Who says there is no free lunch any more? Bellair is an historic farm and wonderful community resource: organic fruits and vegetables, humanely raised chickens and pigs, only non-synthetic pesticides, events every Saturday, and much more. Bellair Farm has also developed a seasonal “share” program adaptable to every income. And all the flowers you can cut and carry.

Join the *Green Sanctuary* on Saturday, October 22, from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM to find out for yourself! We will be given a short tour of the farm, help with a small gardening project, and then treated to an organic, healthy lunch right off the farm. Bellair's treat!

Bring children, friends, and family members. Learn more about the UUAs goals of Ethical Eating. The farm is beautiful and the food delicious. Car pools will be organized from church. Look for our table in the Social Hall to sign up. We must have a head count for food and the gardening projects by Sunday, October 16. Questions? Call Charlotte Balkenbush at 970-310-6273.



Back in my somewhat serious juggling days, a friend of mine and I were trying to learn to pass seven balls between us. That is right – two people, four hands, seven balls. We were finding it as hard as it sounds.

Passing six balls is really not all that difficult. If you can imagine the figure eight pattern that a juggler makes when she is juggling three balls in front of herself, passing six just means that all of your right-hand throws go across to your partner rather than to your own left hand. If you visualize it, you are just taking one arc of your pattern and rotating it 90°, perpendicular to the path in front of you. Not too hard really. Each of you is still, essentially, juggling three balls; you are just doing it together.

Seven balls, however, is a completely different kettle of fish. There is an extra ball in the pattern, so that all of the throws have to be about a beat-and-a-half faster than before. The entire rhythm changes, and my friend and I were having a really hard time keeping up. All of the balls were moving so much faster than we had been used to. There was so much to think about. It was hard to keep it together.

And then it happened. I cannot really describe what “it” was except to say that we both suddenly found the rhythm. We felt it in our bodies and heard it in our minds. The balls were not flying any less quickly, but it was as if everything had slowed down. Suddenly

it felt as if we had all the time in the world, when before it felt as if we were just a split second from having everything come crashing down on us.

Ever felt like that? Ever felt like that one more thing had gotten tossed into your well worked pattern and now you were perpetually on the edge of dropping everything? My prayer is that you – we – all find the new rhythm that is just waiting to be discovered. My prayer is for our peace.

Pax et bonum,
Rev. Erik

Ministry Associate

“Lovingly call.”

These words have started conversations all around the church over the last six months.

The last line of our church covenant, which was adopted last year, reads “When we have fallen short, lovingly call each other back into covenant.”

Unsure of what this means? Possibly.

Sound scary? Maybe yes, maybe no.

Difficult? Often.

Messy? Sometimes.

Worthwhile? Undoubtedly.

One of our Unitarian theologians, James Luther Adams, wrote “Relationships between individuals ideally rest on free and mutual consent, not on coercion. The method of free inquiry is the necessary condition for the fullest apprehension of either truth or justice and also for the preservation of human dignity.”

“Free inquiry” is often discussed in UU churches in reference to how we explore spirituality or social issues. But I find it also essential for understanding each other one-on-one. When we take the time to listen to one another and discover how the other is experiencing our church, or a small group, or each other, we may be surprised. Hearing

another person’s perspective can be enlightening, sometimes surprising. And, once we hear and work to understand another person’s perspective and values, then we are often willing to shift how we do things. This is not always easy. And yet, it really is as simple as stepping out of our shoes and hearing how someone else experiences something.

The same is true when a congregation member feels that someone else is “out of covenant.” Have you ever heard someone call someone else “back into covenant”? When done well, it is not coercive. It is not telling someone what to do. It is simply reporting, with love, a perspective that the other person does not have.

Although I still feel as if I am stumbling sometimes, I have learned about calling others back into covenant through witnessing others and their role modeling and examples. So, if you are wondering what it might look like, I encourage you to ask others if they have ever seen it done well. Talk about it. Sharing these stories can be empowering and inspiring.

Chaplain Alexandra McGee, MDiv
Ministry Associate

A Life in Faith

Clear Spring Buddhist Fellowship Meditation

Wednesdays, 7 PM, Blue Room
meditation@uucharlottesville.org.

CareNet

Year-Round Program

CareNet is our church’s organized effort to help out with meals, rides, and other assistance for church members.

carenet@uucharlottesville.org.

Pastoral Visitors

Year-Round Program

The Pastoral Visitors Program has been designed to complement the roles of the minister and the CareNet program, in providing a comprehensive ministry of pastoral care. It is a lay ministry of support and hope, offered by trained volunteers who offer a sustained caring presence for those who are members of the TJMC community (and their primary caregivers) who are experiencing crisis or stressful transitions.

UU Christian Fellowship

UUCF is open to all, especially those wishing to meet with others who are interested in exploring their faith within a liberal Christian context, and to learn from each other. For more information:
uucf@uucharlottesville.org.

Treasurer Report



After two months or 16.7% of the fiscal year, we have received total revenues of \$137,357 which represents 24% of the revenue budgeted for the year. Total revenues for the first two months of this fiscal year were approximately 11% higher than the revenues received in the same period last year.

Our current year pledge payments after two months equal 21% of the amount budgeted for the year, but nevertheless are about 7% lower than in the same period last year. After two months, we have also received 49% of

the amount budgeted for the year from unpledged donations. In August we received \$8,650 in fundraising income from the yard sale and the special book sale. Our total revenues for August alone were \$40,945.

After two months our total expenses were \$108,854, which represents 19% of our annual budgeted expenses. For the month of August our total expenses were \$65,014. As a result, for just the month of August our expenses exceeded our revenues by \$24,079. However, the total revenues for the first two months of the year exceeded our expenses by \$28,503.

In August, the long term total liabilities (or debt) of the church was reduced by \$20,000 from \$182,510 to \$162,510, as a result of the redemption of a member bond.

As I stated last month, it is still too early to make any projections about our church's financial condition during the remainder of the year, but we appear to be in reasonably good financial shape.

Doug Webbink, Treasurer
treasurer@uucharlottesville.org

From the President



On Saturday, September 10, I joined with over 100 adults and children at our Cultivating Connections all-church conference, jointly sponsored by the Board of Trustees and Leadership Development. It was an incredible inter-generational experience involving games, activities, singing, brainstorming and worship that demonstrated the importance of connections in building strong and vibrant communities. Participants shared their stories and offered ideas for how we could create further opportunities for members to serve and through doing so build their own connections. It was truly a wonderful experience and reinforced my own sense of just what an extraordinary community is TJMC-UU.

Then on Monday, September 19, I attended our monthly Board meeting where we discussed a number of opportunities for members to serve their community in various roles across the

wide range of church activities. One of these, I am delighted to report, we have already filled. Following the resignation of Karen Schaffer, who has moved to North Carolina with her family, Amy Wissekerke was unanimously approved as our new Board Secretary. On behalf of the Board I thank both Karen and Amy for their service to TJMC-UU.

Another opportunity is now open for those wishing to help run next year's fund raising drive. Our goal is to appoint the co-chairs in October and complete the campaign by March 2012 so as to avoid any overlap with the budgeting process that starts in earnest during April. Given the excitement generated by the appointment of Rev. Erik Wikstrom and our experiences with him at some amazing services, I am certain that this year's campaign will be a lot of fun. Please contact myself, Pam Philips, or Karen Ransom of our Stewardship

Committee to learn more about how you can participate.

As Rev. Erik Wikstrom explained to us on Saturday, September 10, we are not looking for individuals to fill a need, but instead creating opportunities for those who wish to serve and follow as a means of building their own connections and along with that, our community. It is our intention to make these opportunities more visible to our members and supporters through postings on the bulletin boards, as well as on our website and through a variety of communication methods.

Please look for these opportunities, and contact any member of the Board to talk about how you wish to serve. We want to hear from you and provide that opportunity.

In Faith
Ian Sole
President Board of Trustees

Dear Kroger Shoppers!

When you buy gas, groceries, or pharmacy items, TJMC-UU gets five percent of every dollar you spend! Just use a TJMC-linked Kroger Gift Card (aka \$CRIP) when you shop. You earn money for TJMC – and it costs you nothing! Last year our Kroger Gift Card users generated \$8000 for TJMC – and this year we are aiming for over \$20,000.

How do I participate?

- Buy a \$50 starter Kroger Gift Card at the \$CRIP table on Sunday
- Refill the card at the Customer Service counter as needed ... and
- Yes! You can use your rewards credit card to refill your Gift Card

Why should I do this? Using \$CRIP is a part of Stewardship along with making your annual financial pledge to support our church community. The revenue helps pay our staff and fund our programs. There is no easier way to support TJMC ... and at no cost to you.

Nuts and Bolts



Circle Potlucks

This is just a reminder that the Social Activities Committee has organized Circle Potlucks for the weekend of October 7-9. These potluck meals will be held in the homes of TJMC members and will provide an opportunity for everyone to make new friends, share a meal and enjoy the company of like-minded UUs. We hope that you have already signed up for one of the potlucks: dinner on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings, and lunch on Saturday afternoon. In order for hosts and guests to properly prepare for their meals, sign-up closed on Sunday, September 25. If you missed your chance this time, another round of Circle Potlucks will be coming in January. For questions or comments, please contact Sally Taylor at 295-8083 or sallytaylor411@gmail.com.

Fall Means WVTF Fundraising

If you are a proud UU NPR listener, you have heard the underwriting announcements telling folks about TJMC. Those announcements are paid for by people who make their donations through our church instead of directly to the station. Just drop your check in the offertory any Sunday in September or October. Make it out to TJMC with "WVTF Radio" in the memo line. Do it before the fund drive starts and we will even enter you into their drawing for great prizes! Support public radio and help get the word out about TJMC.



Greeting Cards Collection for FWCC

The Labyrinth Ministry is collecting stationery items (greetings cards of all kinds, writing paper, and especially stamps) for our annual holiday donation to the Fluvanna Women's Correctional Center (FWCC). At 23 cents an hour, it takes almost two full hours of inmate employment to afford a single first-class stamp. Please help by placing your donations in the FWCC Collection Box located in the Edgewood Lane entrance hallway under the mirror. Deadline is the end of October.

Leaving a Legacy

Including TJMC in your will is among the easiest ways to offer support for years to come. We suggest the following wording: "I give, devise, and bequeath to Thomas Jefferson Memorial Church Unitarian Universalist, 717 Rugby Road, Charlottesville, VA 22901 {the sum of \$___} {___percentage of my residuary estate}." If you already have a will, you can have your attorney add a codicil to include TJMC. After you have added TJMC, please contact the Church Office or a member of the endowment committee so we can list you as a member of our Legacy Society. And everyone, look for our fall AFD course for more information on Financial Arrangements that Make for Less Stress.

Membership Committee Launching bUUddy System:

The membership committee is announcing a bUUddy System of pairing up new members with long time members in the church. The hope is that all involved will cultivate deeper connections with each other and with TJMC-UU. Now it is time to expand our base of long time members. A bUUddy is an involved member of the church who would like to share his/her interests with a new member. Detailed forms are posted on the bulletin board under Community Life. If you would like to become a bUUddy, forms are available in the membership box. Please do not be discouraged if you are not matched with a bUUddy right away as our program will continue to expand. Patsy Swindler and Gayle Floyd, bUUddy Coordinators.

Opportunities to Connect: Leadership Development Committee

If you loved the "Cultivating Connections" event on Saturday, September 10, and you would like to share your creative ideas with the team that pulled it together, think about serving on the Leadership Development Committee. We are looking for someone who cares about the future of TJMC, works well with other creative people, and would like to be more deeply connected to our community. This is a two-year term. For more information, email leadership@uucharlotteville.org or call Jean Sorrels-Jones at 296-3631,

or any member of the Leadership Development Committee.



Sound Team Coordinator

Want to make a difference every Sunday morning? Be the contact person who coordinates the Sunday Sound Team for the 9:15 AM and 11:15 AM services. This role does not require you to know how to operate the sound system. Contact Bob Kiefer at 974-9022 or bkieferuu@gmail.com.

Sound Team

Do not like the limelight, but do want to help people make connections? Be a part of the Sunday Sound Team that monitors the mics on Sunday mornings. If you can operate your TV remote, you are qualified. Contact Bob Kiefer at 974-9022 or bkieferuu@gmail.com. (Bob says if he can do it, anybody can!)



TJMC Holiday Card

Send a TJMC Holiday card to members and friends and at the same time contribute to the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC). Edith Good is collecting on Sundays in the Social Hall for the card that TJMC distributes during the end-of-year holidays to benefit UUSC.

UUSC is a social justice affiliate organization of the UUA. See their website at volunteerservices@uuscc.org. The card will be distributed electronically with the December issue of the monthly Bulletin. Hard copies will be available. Donations are tax deductible as are memberships (seniors 65 and over \$20, adults \$40, adult couples \$35, youth \$10). Make checks out to UUSC. Your name will appear on the card if you donate before November 7. Thanks to Lorie Craddock who has again agreed to design this year's card.

Happening this Month

October 2

Artist Reception
1 PM, Social Hall

Dylan Jacobs is our Artist of the Month. He states, "I have tried to express what I hold sacred in my life, through paper, pen, and sharpie. I hope for the people who look on my work to perceive the sacredness, and beauty of the universe in their own lives."



October 2

Greeters' Lunch
1 PM, Parlor

For more information contact Jenny Gaden at jengaden@gmail.com.

October 4

UUpitties
7 PM, Parlor

Come meet and/or greet our Minister, Rev. Erik Walker Wikstrom, who will join us in an open discussion. For more information or to get on our mailing list contact uuppitties@uucharlottesville.org.

October 6+13+20+27

Active Minds
1 PM, Parlor



October 7

Food Pantry
9 AM, Social Hall

October 7

Yom Kippur
6 PM, Social Hall

For more information contact the Church Office.

October 8

Yom Kippur
8 AM, Social Hall

October 9

PA-UN (Peace Action-United Nations)
12:45 PM, Summit Room 2.

Join us for our regular meeting. For more information contact Mary Rose Curtis at maryrosewalley@gmail.com or Al Reynolds at hareyn@aol.com.

October 13

UU Christian Fellowship
7 Parlor

October 15

Newcomer Orientation,
9 AM-12 PM, Summit Room 1

We would like to welcome visitors to join our minister, Membership Committee and other church leaders to our Fall Newcomer Orientation. This session is an opportunity to learn more about Unitarian Universalism and about our church. A light breakfast and snacks will be provided along with fellowship and coffee. The sign-up sheets are located on the Community Life Council bulletin board. Contact Jean Newland 962-9676 or at kipandjean@gmail.com.



October 16

Social Action Collection
TJMC Food Pantry

Our church hosts a monthly Food Pantry on the first Friday of each month. We get our food from the TJ Area Food Bank. USDA food, allocated by standards to families, is free to us. Fresh vegetables are donated to the Food Bank from the Food Hub and we receive this for free as well. Other food acquired at wholesale or by donations from distributors and grocery stores costs us nine to eleven cents per pound. We have tried to stay in a budget of \$250 per month. We distribute between two to four tons of food to fifty to seventy families.

October 17

Board of Trustees
7 PM, SH

October 18

UUpitties
7 PM, Parlor

Come experience a demonstration of singing by a barbershop quartet. Then learn how you can become a barbershop singer.



October 22

Green Sanctuary Field Trip
9:30 AM, Bellair Farm

See page 1 for more information.



October 23

TJMC Celebrates United Nations Day
3 PM, Social Hall

The official United Nations day is Monday, October 24; however, TJMC will celebrate it Sunday, October 23. Please join us for refreshments and community. Blue Ridge UN Association will sponsor this event. For more information contact Mary Rose Curtis at 296-7839 or Al Reynolds at 296-0673.

October 23

NatureSpirit Potluck
6:30 PM, Social Hall

Come join us as we continue our discussion on the direction of our group. Potluck at 6:30 PM followed by a discussion "Growing our Awareness." If you have questions, email us at nature@uucharlottesville.org.

October 27

UUGuys
7 PM, Summit Room 1

Save the Date



November 5

TJMC Community Celebration
5 PM, Social Hall

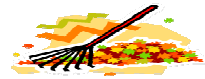
Let us be social in the Social Hall! For folks from 0 months to 99 years of age – the musicians responded to our call for action for the potluck-dance happening. Mark the date on your calendar for a fun-filled evening. For more information contact May Guenin or Gayle Floyd.

November 26-December 3

Men's Pacem
Summit House

Our church, with our partner, Ebenezer Baptist Church, host the men of PACEM. Sign-up sheets for food contributions, dinner hosting, overnight and set up/clean up will be in the Social Hall from October 2 to November 20.

Religious Education Update



Walking the Spiral Path

Autumn is upon us in all her glory and I love watching the fall colors creep into the leaves. Have you noticed the trees in the Summit House parking lot at church? I hope so. They are some of my favorites with their majestic red, orange, yellow, and golden leaves. I eagerly anticipate their splendor every fall.

Do you and your loved one have special trees or places that you admire throughout the seasons? Please tell me about them! Make some time and be intentional about enjoying the beauty that surrounds us. It can be as simple as sitting or playing in a favorite place in nature (maybe your own backyard!) and soaking in the season.

Also, I want to invite you to an all ages, all church autumnal hike and picnic at Ivy Creek on a Sunday after church this month. Watch the church website, Friday Emails and RE email newsletter for the details. As the day's light grows shorter and we move towards the longest night, may we all find balance amidst the busy-ness and time to savor and delight in the gifts of the season.

Blessings,
Leia Durland-Jones
Director of Religious Education



Child Dedication Ceremony October 30

A Ceremony of Child Dedication is a significant event honoring each child's life and importance and their connection to a larger circle of care and concern. A Ceremony of Dedication will be held during both services on Sunday, October 30. Please contact Leia Durland-Jones, DRE, by Sunday, October 23, if you would like your family to be included or for more information.

Subscribe to the Weekly Lifespan Faith Development Update

This free email update is full of the latest information about children and youth RE classes and events as well as announcements and information particularly of interest to parents. For more information or to subscribe, contact leiadj@emabarmail.com.

A Conversation About Gratitude

Rev. Erik Walker Wikstrom and Leia Durland-Jones, DRE, invite you to explore the concept of gratitude, our worship and faith development theme during the month of November. All are welcome to join in the dialog from 7–8 PM. November's UU Stars Studio Leaders will continue the conversation from 8–9 PM by exploring the UU Stars (first through fifth grade) lesson plan materials.

Put Your Faith in Action!

We still need adults to sign up to help with our children's religious education experiences this year. Volunteers are needed at both the 9:15 AM and 11:15 AM services. Your commitment can be for as little as four weeks! Excellent curricula and resources are provided as well as lots of love and support from Children's RE Committee members, the RE Assistant and the DRE. You will create lasting relationships with the young people of our congregation and this is a great way to learn about or deepen your understanding of Unitarian Universalism. Speak with Leia Durland-Jones, DRE, today! at 293-8179 or leiadj@embarqmail.com.

Harvest Tea with the DRE

Drop by Director of Religious Education Leia Durland-Jones' office at church anytime between 4–6 PM on Wednesday, October 26, for informal conversation, cookies, tea or harvest punch. This is an opportunity to chat with Leia about anything on your mind, ask questions about the church school programs, share your ideas or suggestions or just check-in. *All ages are welcome!*

RE Wish List

- Croquet and bocce ball sets
- Rolls of blue "painters" tape
- Help with repairing a broken rolling dry erase board

Trick or Treat for UNICEF

For more than 60 years, America's kids have taken to the streets on Halloween, collecting money to help children around the world who do not have enough food to eat, safe water to drink, or medicine to keep them healthy. Once again, TJMC-UU kids are invited to participate in this worthwhile endeavor.

Trick or Treat for UNICEF boxes will be passed out at church on Sunday, October 30. Please return them to the RE office by Sunday, November 13.

2011-2012 RE Registration

There are four options for submitting your family's religious education registration form:

- 1) Complete your family's form via the church website under the "education" tab.
- 2) Download a printable PDF from the church website to complete and either mail in or bring to church.
- 3) Stop by the RE table in the Social Hall on Sunday and review a pre-filled form with your family's information. Make any necessary updates or corrections and complete the volunteer options page.
- 4) Complete a new paper copy of the form in the Social Hall on Sundays. Thank you for submitting your completed registration form as soon as possible.



Save the Dates in October!

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| 1 Sat | OWL evening event at church |
| 2 Sun | RE Classes, Stars Story Sunday |
| 5 Wed | Youth Programs Committee Meeting 7 PM S1 |
| 9 Sun | RE Classes |
| 16 Sun | RE Classes
LFDC Meeting 1-2 PM S2 |
| 19 Wed | UU Stars Leaders class (on theme Gratitude) 7-9 PM CP |
| 23 Sun | RE Classes |
| 26 Wed | Children's RE Committee meeting 7-9 PM S2 |
| 29 Sat | Tenth Grade YRUU Lock-in |
| 30 Sun | All Souls Day Observance (children's RE four year-olds through fifth grade)
Child Dedication Ceremony |

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Sundays through Thursdays, & by appt.

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Bulletin deadline for November is October 15.

PACEM: November 26 to December 3

Our church hosts homeless men, guests of PACEM, for one week at the end of November. PACEM is a group of congregations in Charlottesville who take turns hosting both homeless men and women guests in their church home overnight, feeding them dinner, and providing shelter. Last year we hosted an average of forty men per night during our week.

PACEM conducts an intake process for all guests at the HAVEN and the men are delivered by a bus to our doors at about 6:30 PM. Cots, sheets and blankets are provided by PACEM which we set up throughout Summit House on the beginning Saturday. We provide dinner each night with our partners, Ebenezer Baptist Church, and we also provide two overnight volunteers to sleep in the house as help to the hired PACEM staff. We offer not only the warmth of our food, but also the warmth of our company during dinner and in the evening.

Sign-up sheets for offerings of house set up and clean up, food, serving dinner, and evening and overnight hosts will be in the Social Hall each Sunday from mid October through November. Last year over one hundred of our members and their children participated in this church hosting. We continued to enjoy our friendships with our neighbors, the members of Ebenezer, and learned to conceive of our community in the larger arc of everyone who lives among us. May you receive the gift of participation.

Questions? Elizabeth Breeden at 977-5411 or brs@cstone.net.