

UUTC UPDATE

MARCH 10th, 2017



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS OF TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY

A WELCOMING CONGREGATION

THE NERVOUS LAUGHTER OF VULNERABILITY

by Rev. Ian White Maher

Sunday, March 12th at 9:30am and 11:00am

So many of us live with the fear of not being able to trust our innermost self as an intimate place. We have become strangers to ourselves, people who have an address but are never home and hence can never be addressed by the true voice of love.

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



SATURDAY, 4:30PM • ACLU RESISTANCE TRAINING
REGISTER [HERE](#) ... AND BRING A FRIEND!

NEXT WEEK at UUTC

ACLU Resistance— Sat 3/11 @ 4:30pm

Growing Younger — Mon 3/13 @ 11:00am

Christians in Exile — Mon 3/13 @ 3:30pm

Men's Group — Tues 3/14 @ 9:00am

Eclectics Jam — Wed 3/15 @ 9:30am

Art of Being — Wed 3/15 @ 2:00pm

Choir Rehearsal — Wed 3/15 @ 4:00pm

Fellowship on Tap — Wed 3/15 @ 6:30pm

Living the Tao — Fri 3/17 @ 10:30am

Vulnerability
is our most accurate
measurement of
courage.

-Brene Brown

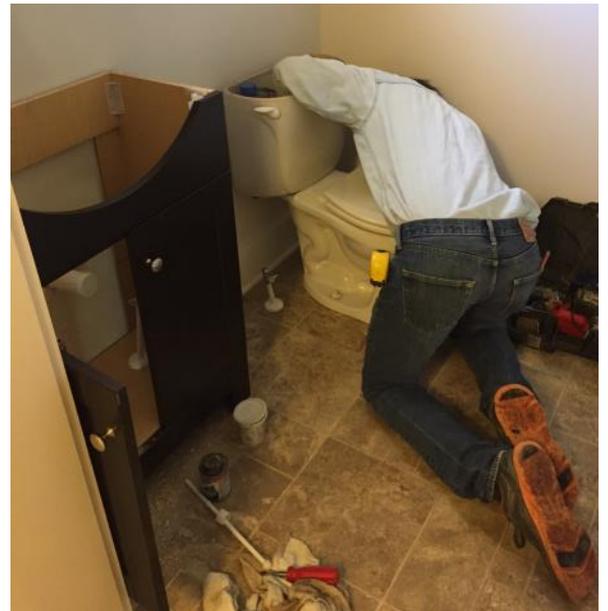


PEOPLE POWER: ACLU RESISTANCE TRAINING

We were asked, and we have answered. UUTC will be hosting a livestream event of the ACLU's Resistance Training on Saturday, March 11th at 4:30pm. If you have not already registered, click on this [LINK](#) to do so now. Most of these events are in private homes, and on Monday, the nearest event was in Hendersonville. Bring your favorite **Resisters** or **Persisters** and be the change!

SUCCESS—WE PASSED INSPECTION!

The contractors completed their work and Ian is moving to #46 Varsity Street! From the time the permit was pulled, the work was completed in 30 days, thanks to helpful contractors and LOTS of volunteer work. The bathroom space that you see at right had to have floor joists replaced, so this was a total gut of the existing space. It is now light, bright, clean and functional. Eddie, of Gravely Plumbing, is the one hooking up the toilet in this image. Yes, his feet are really that big. 😊



FELLOWSHIP ON TAP • WEDNESDAY, 6:30PM



It's that time, again! Quixote is moving in April, so we are going to say a fond farewell to their McLean Road establishment with a final Tap Night at that location.

Join us Wednesday, March 15th at 6:30pm for a fun evening of connection and fellowship! Give the office a call or an [email](#) so that we can let them know how many tables to throw together.



POSTCARD PARTY A SUCCESS!

While many attendees took and mailed their own postcards, there were still over 200 to be mailed at the end of the evening on Tuesday.

Over 45 people dropped in to work on postcards— a few stayed the entire time! If you'd like some "Postcard Talking Points" or addresses for your legislators, email [Pam Drellow](mailto:Pam.Drellow), and she will send you the information.



COMING SOON— AN EARLIER EARLY SERVICE

Starting **April 2nd**, our early service will begin at **9:15am**. This will allow us a bit more time for coffee and for the coming and going of folks to ease the pressures on our available parking.



FILM SCREENING — REJECT: THE SCIENCE OF BELONGING

“Our goal in bringing [REJECT](#) to Transylvania County is to increase awareness about the consequences of interpersonal rejection and promote discussion of solutions our community can develop.” This feature-length film will be shown in Dunham Auditorium at Brevard College on Tuesday, April 4th at 6:00pm, with a panel discussion to follow. Contact [Betsy Burrows](#) or [Jessica Webb](#) for more information.



“BREVARD CARES” COMMUNITY CLEANUP SATURDAY, MARCH 25TH 8:00AM — NOON

Please consider participating in community cleanup projects for "Brevard Cares" on Saturday, March 25th, beginning after an 8:00 AM snack at the Police Station, 114 W. Jordan Street. This is the sixth annual Community Cleanup. In the past there have been projects to help clean up our parks, trails, cemeteries, and deserving agencies such as Stacy's House. Help represent UUTC as we join in with other local churches, youth groups and civic organizations in this worthy effort.

Frequently people say that they would like to participate in local social action beyond writing a monthly check to deserving agencies. Here's your chance: The City of Brevard Police Department is organizing this outdoor property cleanup for the elderly and those who need assistance. With enough people volunteering from UUTC, ***we would like to focus on projects helping our members, friends and neighbors. If you know of someone who could use some help in cleaning up around their home – yardwork and spring cleaning – please let us know.***

Please bring sunscreen, gloves, rakes, shovels, tree trimmers, wheelbarrows and yourself! Dress appropriately for being outside. Families are welcome.

Mark the date on your calendar and sign up on the list on the counter.

If you have any questions, please contact Nancy or Phil Davis at 877-4555

UUTC PHOTO DIRECTORIES ARE READY

See Susan Slocum on Sundays for your printed photo directory. See RK during the week. Please have a check made out to UUTC for \$7 or the exact amount in cash. If you ordered a printed address directory, the additional cost is \$2.

If you did not place an order, a limited number of extras are available. See Susan or RK. Requested PDF's will be emailed soon. Additional requests can go to admin@uutc.org.

Thank you!

The Membership Team



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

SAFE's mission in Transylvania County is to lead our community in eliminating domestic violence and sexual violence through prevention, advocacy, education and healing. 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.



TIME TO TALK: THIS WEEK, ECONOMIC FAIRNESS

Only two weeks remain of Transylvania County's NAACP "Time to Talk" series.

The remaining sessions are: **Economic Fairness** (Thurs, Mar 16, Bethel A Baptist), and the **Assault on Public Education** (Thurs, Mar 23, Brevard Elementary School). Both sessions will be from 6-8:00pm. There is no potluck at Bethel A, due to space.

Questions can be addressed to NAACP Religious Affairs Chair Rev. Carter Heyward at 884-5041.

WORKER BEES FOR WORSHIP

Like helping but hate meetings? The Worship Team is recruiting people to keep up with candles, arrange chairs and other odd jobs. These are simple tasks that help make worship better for everyone. To volunteer, email worship@uutc.org.

NEW NAMETAG STICKERS

Seeing stars? The Membership Team is adding stars to new visitor laminated nametags. Please continue to recognize and welcome these still new visitors. Any other visitor that would like a star is invited to stop by the Welcome Table.

The Membership Team

**We need TWO USHERS for the 11:00 service on March 19th.
Sign up at the Front Desk!**



THIS CHECK IS WRONG!!!

A couple of donations were inadvertently left out when this Big Check was presented. The **actual** total of donations from UUTC to Bread of Life was **\$1922.00**.

Thanks for your generosity!



A LIBRARY AWAITS

Boxes stacked under the front counter house UUTC's Library, awaiting the Adult Religious Exploration (ARE) Team's arrival for final selection. ARE will be adding procedures to their Operating Guidelines for the maintenance of the library. Until these Guidelines are published, it is recommended that no new donations be made.

MEMBERSHIP MAIN COURSE & DESSERT 2017 • APRIL 1ST



The new name for our prospective member class is **The Main Course: UUTC Connections Class**. If you are thinking of becoming a Member or Friend of UUTC this spring, attend and share this day with Ian, staff and congregational leaders. Childcare is available by request. Other details, including lunch break details and your preparations for the class, will follow.

For those who choose membership, the spring Signing and Welcoming Ceremony is scheduled for **April 16th**. Sign up on the office counter or email membership@uutc.org.

"You, Me, and UUTC" grads who are interested in Signing and being part of the Welcoming Ceremony on April 16th should email membership@uutc.org.

Fall dates are October 7th and 15th for the class and welcoming ceremony.



GROWING INTO OUR SPACE

Our new cabinets were a Sponsored Project, the gift of an anonymous donor. Given the prominent location, the Aesthetics arm of the Facilities Team wanted to make sure that this installation was a warm and welcoming statement, and used that criteria in selecting this cabinetry. (They agonized over the countertop decision!) They did an outstanding job, don't you agree?

Our Sponsored Projects, which have been capital improvements outside of our Operating Budget, have been a big success in meeting some long-overdue, or just plain necessary, upgrades to our building to meet the needs of our growing congregation. If you haven't been by during the week lately, UUTC is buzzing nearly every day. Many times we have overlapping groups, which increases the demands on our operating budget through increased electricity demands and consumption of things like water and toilet paper. Everyone is coming into a safer, more useable space, now.

A number of people have contributed, over and above their pledges, to make our Sponsored Projects a reality this year. The total of all funds (cash or stock) that have gone to these improvements is \$38,374.00. We've repaired our concrete, replaced our alarm system, added insulation, upgraded our kitchen appliances, installed cabinets in the large classroom and now the foyer, replaced the flooring in our classrooms, improved the usability of our technical systems—and painted the sanctuary wall—all since July of 2016. Big thanks to all who have contributed to make these changes possible!



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!



Read the latest 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

Our Minister is Rev. Ian White Maher. Reach him at ian@uutc.org or by calling (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.