

UUSMC Social Justice Meeting on May 20, 2018

Members present: Lee O'Brien, Mary Ellen Trusheim, Chitra Vaidy, chair, and Roberta Headley

***Share our Plate Charities for fall 2018-August 2019** - discussion by all present (half our cash collection each Sunday goes to following, some for two months and some for one month)

September-October (two months): UUDAN

November-December (two months): PFlag (new) Wilmington, supports family and friends of gays and lesbians

January-February (two months): Planned Parenthood

March (one month): Kingswood Community

April (one month): Limen House

May (one month): Delaware Theater outreach

June (one month): Arts Holding Hands and Hearts

July -August (two months): Meeting Ground

*Discussion on education of RE kids and **Posters for Autism**: Chitra knew about a group that made posters related to accepting autistic people and they were made into posters. She talked to Terry Vodery about this and they think it is a good learning process for RE and option for some of the youth to make posters, and the church would support one cost to make a permanent sign. The kids could vote on the one selected. It costs \$80. to make a poster into a permanent sign.

Family Promise: The dinners this week at St. Mark's for Family Promise are all planned for Tuesday and Thursday, re food and hosting. The next dinners in the fall that we will help with are on October 9 and 11th. Chitra plans to ask a representative to come talk to our church members again this fall about their organization. Maybe during the pot luck in September. She would also like to ask Matt Nolan to talk about how great it was to host the homeless families at St. Mark's when we provide the dinners on Tuesday and Thursday.

Respectfully submitted,
Roberta Headley