

## Minutes for Social Justice Meeting on September 23, 2018

**Members present:** Tracy Morgan, Lauri Rickard, Jack Guerin, Chitra Vaidy, Prakash Vaidy, Larry Dickerson, Ram Ray, Jordan Vaughan, Roberta Headley

\*Jack Guerin talked about coordinating UUDAN with the Social Justice Committee. He particularly wants to have someone on our committee to be involved with legislative activity. Prakash is willing to do this. The UUDAN committee is trying to re-organize and Jack is very involved. This group involves many from all over Delaware. He has talked to our former member Maggie McGlaughlin who is retiring from social work and current member Melissa Bryson who works for Planned Parenthood. Jack said the main issues were: 1. reaching out to UUA  
2. education equity needed in public schools  
3. bail reform

\*Chitra discussed our help for Family Promise when the St. Mark's Church hosts in October, 7-13. She has already reached out to her Chalice Circle and they seem to have the Thursday dinner on Oct. 11th under control: Chitra is buying rotisserie chickens, others are donating mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, salad and dessert. Roberta is asking her Chalice for volunteers for food. They already have hosts for Thursday, and we are hoping Matt Nolan and Kate, and maybe Doris Roth might host on Tuesday. Lauri Rickard will buy items for breakfasts and lunches with some Social Justice money. We hope that the collection on Christmas Eve can go to Family Promise for this as it did before. If there is any money left over it can be donated to Family Promise.

\*Tracy Morgan discussed the play, *The Stain*, which was put on last year with her daughter Becky. They now have three different casts to perform it and Tracy is trying to put it on film. The casts rehearse at our church on Sunday afternoons. She is trying to raise \$50,000 to make the film. They have done performances already in our area. Their web site is: [thestainplay.org](http://thestainplay.org).

\*Lauri said people want to have Heifer again in December for our charity on two Sunday mornings.

\*Larry will research needs of migrant children.

\*Chitra responded to Greg's email re need for To-go bags. She reached out to some of her organizations and they have boxes of them now. She has left them with Greg to go to the right place. She was not sure if they were for flooding victims or a local need.

\*Roberta asked for a contact person's name at PFlag, which is the Share our Plate Charity for November and December. She emailed Debby their email address and mailing address, but Debby would also like to know a contact person there. Chitra suggested getting it from Vicky or Kris Tosh-Morelli. Roberta also read off the list of Share our Plate Charities for the whole year:

Sept-Oct: UUDAN

Nov-Dec: PFlag

Jan-Feb: Planned Parenthood

March: Kingswood Community

April: Limen House

May: DE Theater Co. Outreach

June: Arts Holding Hands and Hearts

July-Aug: Meeting Ground

Respectively submitted, Roberta Headley