

UUCGT Social Justice Committee

Invitation to all to participate!

July 15

11:45 – Pizza in the Social Hall

Noon - 1:00 pm – meeting in Sanctuary

Child care (w/ snacks) provided with advance notice by July 8

During the past year, the UUCGT Social Justice Committee (SJC) has undertaken radical transformation. This re-visioning was informed by meetings held at UUCGT last year, as well as by Social Justice efforts of current UUCGT members and by recent national and international events. The UUCGT Social Justice Committee's mission is to inspire awareness of, and stimulate and coordinate action in social justice issues important to our UUCGT congregation in Grand Traverse, Benzie, Leelanau and Antrim Counties, the state and the nation.

The Social Justice Committee will be a resource for those who are already involved or who would like to be involved in Social Justice - to build and grow a dialogic culture at UUCGT, and in the community at large, modeling the six sources of the UU tradition and to nurture compassionate social witness in the UUCGT and beyond. The UUCGT Social Justice Committee's mission within the UU Tradition involves:

- 1) Direct Social Service;
- 2) Education on Social Justice Issues;
- 3) Social Witness; and
- 4) Social Action

The Committee will be convening at least quarterly to foster dialogue on Social Justice Issues brought forward by the membership. We know that many or most of the members of UUCGT are directly involved in Social Justice Action with time, treasure and talents. Our members support charitable organizations and institutional entities such as Safe Harbor. They also participate with action-focused organizations such as Indivisible TC, Indivisible Grand Traverse, partisan organizations and others. The Social Justice Committee works on a partisan-neutral basis to engage and educate members and friends on the what, where, when and why of critical issues and activities and to provide support to those who are engaged in social justice endeavors.

The Social Justice need is great. All members of UUCGT interested in participating in expanding UUCGT's reach and role in Social Justice Work, Witness and Action are invited to join us.

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