

The North Carolina Chapter of the African Descent Lutheran Association

Is hosting a

Kwanzaa

Celebration

January 3, 2026

11:00am – 2:00pm

First Greensboro Lutheran Church

3600 W. Friendly Ave.

Greensboro, NC 27410



**This is a community event for the
whole family.**



Afrocentric attire is encouraged.

We will:

- Celebrate Elders & Children
- Honor Ancestors
- Dance
- Share A Meal Together
- Learn

Please reply by **December 17th, 5:00**
to hoggrich56@gmail.com if you plan to attend,
require special food accommodations, and would
like to serve as Reader. .

“Created in 1966 by Maulana Ron Karenga, Kwanzaa is an African American and Pan-African holiday that celebrates history, values, family, community and culture. The ideas and concepts of Kwanzaa are expressed in the Swahili language, one of the most widely spoken languages in Africa. The seven principles which form its core were drawn from communitarian values found throughout the African continent. These principles are:

- *Umoja (Unity),*
- *Kujichagulia (Self-Determination),*
- *Ujima (Collective Work and Responsibility)*
- *Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics),*
- *Nia (Purpose)*
- *Kuumba (Creativity) and*
- *Imani (Faith)*

Kwanzaa gets its name from the Swahili phrase, ‘matunda ya kwanza’ and is rooted in first fruit celebrations which are found in cultures throughout Africa both in ancient and modern times.”

[<https://nmaahc.si.edu/explore/initiatives/kwanzaa>]