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A Welcoming Congregation

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CREATE COMMUNITY

Register by Sunday, Oct. 1 for Dinners for Nine, FUUN's dinner group program: Groups of nine people are put together by the Fellowship Committee based on your input in the registration form and meet monthly, October-May. Each dinner is hosted by a different person, usually at the host's house, or sometimes at a restaurant, a park, or at the church. The host provides an entree, others bring side dishes, and then enjoy an evening of great conversation and great food. It's a nice way to connect with others in the FUUN community. See thefuun.org/dinners-for-nine for details and to register.

The annual Palmer Lecture on Human Rights is Friday, Oct. 6, at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary with speaker Congressman Jim Cooper, who has served as the Nashville area representative



to congress since 2003. He serves on the Armed Services Committee and the Oversight and Government Reform Committee. We look forward to what he has to say in these interesting times. We have decided not to have a potluck dinner before the lecture this year. Doors will open to the social hall at 6 p.m. with an array of appetizers and drinks available before

the 7 p.m. lecture. We hope the Congressman will answer a few of our questions after he speaks, and a reception in the social hall will follow.

Men's Group, Sunday, Oct. 1, 6-8 p.m. in the Fireside Room. "The Vietnam War" on PBS, a documentary by Ken Burns and Lynn Novick will have run from Sept. 17 to Sept. 28, 10 episodes over 18 hours, before our next meeting on Oct. 1. It seems like time to revisit our discussion on Vietnam from March 5, led by Phil Thomason. As we heard back then, some of us had fought, and some had not. Some younger FUUN men had fought in other, later, combat zones. Maybe you protested one or more of these actions. Come talk about your reactions to the documentary, your life experiences related to combat, how what you have learned since then has impacted your view of American foreign and domestic policies, if at all. We'll talk; we'll discuss; we'll refrain from insults and such because we care about each other even when we disagree.

Chamber Choir Auditions: Chamber Choir is a group of advanced singers who read music and practice independently, performing more challenging repertoire, usually a cappella. Chamber Choir typically sings the first Sunday of the month, and rehearses the preceding Wednesday at 7 p.m. We need one more soprano, alto, and tenor to fill out the roster. Director of Music Ministries, **Jaie Tiefenbrunn**, is holding auditions during the first two weeks of October. Please schedule a time to meet with Jaie by calling (615) 383-5760 x303 or emailing music@thefuun.org.



Yee-Haw! It's the annual Barn Dance, Chili Supper & Auction, Nov. 4. 5-8:30 p.m. Polish your boots and iron your skirts because there's gonna be a hoedown with live music and a square dance caller. We'll have chili cook off (complete with a blue ribbon and a year's bragging rights). We'll serve beer and wine for the adults and a fire pit to cook s'mores for the young-uns. We'll be selling tickets in the social hall during the month of October. Chili dinner is \$10 with \$30 family max. Kids under 6 are free. Chili dinner with alcohol is \$25 with a \$60 family max. Each sponsor gets a couple of tickets to the event and will get to sit at a head table and be recognized as a true barn dance supporter.

Need Y'all's Help.

See thefuun.org/annual-auction/ for details and to volunteer, or stop by the Barn Dance table in the social hall on Sundays in October. Email fundraising@thefuun.org to talk about sponsorship, volunteering, or all things Barn Dance.

For all FUUN activities, see thefuun.org/church-calendar/

The next **Senior Brunch** will be held on **Saturday, Oct. 21**, at 10 a.m. in the social hall. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to the church office by Friday, Oct. 20. All are welcome whether or not you receive an invitation. We're looking forward to seeing you.

Join us for Wednesday Night Dinners, 6 p.m. in the social hall. The first through third (and the fifth) Wednesdays of the month are catered and include a vegetarian and a gluten-free option. **The fourth Wednesdays** are potluck— bring a favorite dish to share. To help cover expenses, the catered meals are \$8 for an adult, \$5 for a child. Families will pay a reduced fee depending on family size. The potluck is free with beverages provided. *You are invited to share the meal whether you can pay or not.* Grace will be offered before the meal. Your first meal is free. If you are willing to help clean up after the dinner, you get a free meal. Questions? Email **Lynn Harris**, Chair, Fellowship Committee at wnd@thefuun.org.

NURTURE SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Faith Development Offerings: See thefuun.org/faith-dev-current-offerings/ for details on Covenant Groups, Nonviolent Communication Practice Group sessions, and current Faith Development class offerings.

Faith Development and Religious Education for Children and Youth: Register online now for fall Sunday school (PreK through 8th grade), Youth Group (9th-12th grade), Coming of Age, OWL, and Faith Development (Nonviolent Communication Practice Groups and Covenant Groups). See www.thefuun.org/register/ for details.

ACT ON OUR VALUES

From Beloved Community: The Islamic Center of Nashville, in partnership with TIRRC, NICE and Conexion Americas are helping to promote a **movie showing of "Tiger Hunter,"** a comedic take on an immigrant story by Megha Kadakia, Lena Khan, and Nazia Khan. The showing will be **Thursday, Oct. 5** at 7:30 p.m. at the Hollywood Stadium 27 theatre. See www.thefuun.org/tiger-hunter/.

Lecture by Filmmaker Raoul Peck, Oct. 18: Please join members of the Beloved Community committee at a lecture "I Am Not Your Negro" -Race, Identity, and Baldwin, by film director Raoul Peck. The event will be held at the Sarratt Cinema on **Wednesday, Oct. 18** at 4:10 p.m. and is free and open to the public. For more info: www.vanderbilt.edu/rpw_center/RaoulPeck.php

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Barn Dance volunteers: We need folks to decorate, make chili, donate auction items or sponsor items needed for the event. You can sponsor the band, the beer, or a prize. Please see www.thefuun.org/annual-auction/ for details and to volunteer or stop by the Barn Dance table in the social hall during the month of October.

Be an office assistant: The FUUN Office is seeking help on **Tuesdays**, 1 - 5 p.m. to answer the phone, greet guests, and help with projects that support the staff. We offer lots of appreciation and chocolate. Please contact Mary in the office at office@thefuun.org or [615-383-5760](tel:615-383-5760) for more information.

The Campus Preparedness Committee is looking for two or three people who might be interested in campus preparedness activities (safety and emergency concerns) to contact John Fowler at Campusprep@thefuun.org.

Audio Team: We need volunteers to run sound on Sunday mornings (once or twice a month). No experience necessary. We will train you. Contact our Director of Communication, Sheri DiGiovanna at DirCommunication@thefuun.org.

Bulletin boards: If you like to decorate them, we need you. Our Stewardship team would especially like some help with theirs. If you can help, please contact Sheri at DirCommunication@thefuun.org.

*****Committee and Event Leaders*****

In order to streamline volunteer opportunities, we ask event and committee chairs to email immediate volunteer opportunities to volunteer@thefuun.org or fill out the online form at www.thefuun.org/volunteer-support/.

The FUUN Zone (formally known as the "Nursery") is hiring a part-time caregiver. Being a caregiver in the FUUN Zone involves caring for and playing with children ages 6 weeks to 10 years, maintaining a welcoming, safe and child friendly environment, as well as working with a great team of people. Hours: 4-6 hours weekly (16 to 20 hours a month). Sunday 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and a few hours during the week (typically Wednesday or Thursday evenings 6:30-9 p.m.). Additional hours available throughout the year based on varying church activities. Pay: \$12-\$13/hour. Must be at least 18 years old. Email resume and cover letter to office@thefuun.org if interested or stop by and see Kendra Andersen, Childcare Coordinator, on Sundays.