#### Nancy Carter, Environmentalist

Monday, Sept. 18, 2023, 6 to 8 pm, Henry Hall

Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation Supervisor Nancy Carter loves to talk about ways to grow an attractive and



environmentally-friendly lawn while keeping within county codes.

Nancy is the one to ask about rain barrels and urban wildlife. She's also one of the friendliest and most delightful County Supervisors of all time. Come with questions for her!

### The Women of the Camino



Monday, October 16, 2023, 6 to 8 pm, Henry Hall

Be inspired by the adventurous women of Holy Comforter and other Charlotte parishes who walk the Camino this fall.

Kathy Trotter, Georganna Moore, Leslie Perlik, Sally

Johnston and others will share their tales of the joys and hardships, blessings and mishaps along the way. All who walk this path come away with their own stories; come hear just a few.

Don't forget the Booktober Book Drive for Promising Pages. Donate books for underserved young readers.

# Sue Bruce, Marketing and Events Director of Loaves & Fishes/Friendship Trays

Monday, November 20, 2023, 6 to 8 pm, Henry Hall



During the time when many of us enjoy a bounty on the table, let's remember our neighbors who don't take Thanksgiving dinner for

granted.

Sue Bruce returns to the birthplace of Loaves & Fishes to celebrate the successes of the organization and share the challenges of feeding the hungry.

Please bring canned goods to donate!

## **Gingerbread House Construction Party**

Sunday, December 17, 2023, 2 to 4 pm, Henry Hall

This annual event is a hit with all who participate.



There's nothing that will put you in the Christmas Spirit more than being with children and adults as they create sweet little houses. We need lots of donated supplies and handson help to make this come together.

The joy of the event far outweighs whatever effort it takes. This party is open to the community; join in the joyful chaos!

## Seminarian Ed Smith, on Underappreciated Women and Minorities in the Church

Monday, January 15, 2024, 6 to 8 pm, Henry Hall

Ed Smith, former intern at HC, will return to enlighten us on important but lesser known trailblazers in the Episcopal church. Just as he taught us about the amazing accomplishments of Mother Pauli Murray, he will introduce us to others



who deserve to have their day in the sun.

#### **Tacos and Bingo at YWCA**

Monday, February 19, 2024, 5:45 pm, Park Road YWCA

Join us to share a meal, Bingo, and new friendships with the Women in Transition, a program designed to help women rebuild their lives. Prize donations are appreciated.

### **Deacon Emily Parker for Galilee East Ministries**

Monday, March 18, 2024, 6 to 8 pm, Henry Hall



Those of us from the "village" that raised Emily are proud that she is the Executive Director of Galilee Ministries of East Charlotte, which serves over 700 people every month.

Emily manages the day-today operations, overseeing

the programs with Loaves & Fishes, Community Kitchen, Catholic Charities and CPCC, among other duties that keep this "beacon of hope for refugees, immigrants and the local community" shining bright. Come to be inspired by Emily's faith and mission.

### Charlotte's Stories in Architecture

Monday, April 15, 2024, 6 to 8 pm, Henry Hall

Architectural historian and entrepreneur Susan Mayer studied under and worked for well-known Charlotte historian Dan Morrill.



Having researched numerous properties

throughout Charlotte and Mecklenburg, Susan is full of interesting stories of places you know, and will want to visit.

Her wealth of information and bubbly persona will keep us entertained.

### Summer Reading Book Party



Monday, May 6, 2024, 6 to 8 pm, Henry Hall

Sally Brewster of Park Road Books highlights her favorite new selections for summer reading. She tells us just enough to make us want more, and brings inventory that we can take home.

Invite your book club and other friends.

Although RSVP's are not required, we greatly appreciate knowing how many guests to expect at our gatherings.

Please respond to mary.mitchell.amos@gmail.com We welcome newcomers and guests!

#### What is Darrow-Owens?

Over several decades, D-O has evolved from a small women's guild into a vibrant, inclusive (yes, even men!) group offering inspiring and enlightening programs and speakers.

Most meetings are on the 3rd Monday of the month, 6-8 pm, in Henry Hall. We start with wine-and-conversation time, followed by a potluck "Salad Supper" and a program. (We call anything a salad, so all contributions of food are appreciated!)

This group is named for the two women who created the guild in the 1960's at Holy Comforter. D-O was the "working women's" group because it met in the evenings at members' homes.



For questions or more information, text Mary Amos at 704-609-8573.

To be added to the email list, contact Mary at mary.mitchell.amos@gmail.com

Love Grows Here
We Welcome ALL God's Children

# Darrow-Owens 2023-2024 Programs

**Episcopal Church of the Holy Comforter** 

Where all are always welcome



One of the more popular traditions of Darrow-Owens is the annual Gingerbread House Construction Party. This picture shows the wonderful assortment of donated edible decorations for the construction workers to use.

This event is just one of the many activities and programs of this group. Read on to find out what Darrow-Owens offers that might interest you.

All are always welcome.