

THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

of the Carolina Foothills

Meeting 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at the Whimsical World Gallery, 116 Jones St in Landrum, SC *Mailing Address: UUFCF, P. O. Box 653, Tryon, NC 28782*



Coon Dog Day in Saluda

Happening in July, 2024

July 2 – Men's Discussion Group

July 4 – Independence Day

July 6 - Saluda's Coon Dog Day

July 7 – UUFCF Service at 10:30 Led by Derek Harrison

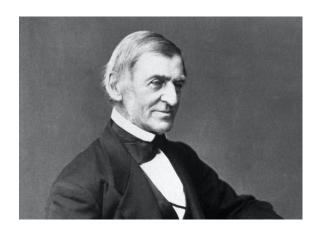
July 21 – Full Moon (Buck Moon)

July 21 – UUFCF Service at 10:30 Reverend Ernie Mills

July 26 - The Olympics Begin



60th Annual Columbus July 4 Festival



Sunday. July 7. 2024 at 10:30 -- Derek Harrison

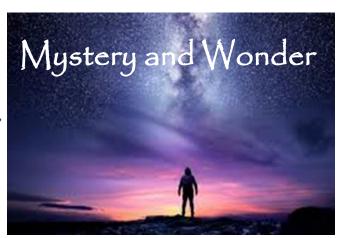
Ralph Waldo Emerson and the Unitarian Rebellion

Member Derek Harrison is not only the banjo player in "The Whimsical Trio," but a retired college professor who has taught writing, literature, and philosophy. Derek is also the author of several books and has traveled to over 60 countries, mostly to do volunteer work. He takes the podium on July 7 to discuss Emerson's role in the development of the Unitarian religion and the ways his personal philosophy affected his later connection to it.

Sunday, July 21, 2024 at 10:30 - Rev. Ernie Mills

Transcending

Our theme for the next six services will be our UU Sources. They are listed in the front of our Hymnal under the title, "The Living Traditions We Share Draw From Many Sources." We will explore each source and hopefully identify those that resonate with our own faith journey. We may even want to add a source. The first source is: "Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and openness to the forces that create and uphold life."



Men's Group meets at 10 a.m. on Tues July 2 at Derek's house, 56 Whitney Ave in Tryon.

We invite you to call any of the Board of Trustees with your questions or comments.

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A Note from Ernie

I would like to thank you all for attending the service and congregational meeting at Harmon Field on June 16. I want to take this opportunity to share with you some comments I have heard over the time I have been with you as your minister. Those comments have something to do with what I believe is the most important part of our existence as a community/fellow-ship. What I keep hearing is how friendly, open and welcoming members of UUFCF are and have been to our newcomers and visitors. I heard this once again at the picnic from someone who is new to our community. But not only did I hear it, I witnessed it. It may be the worship services, the singing, the food or the setting of our Sunday services that attract visitors, but underlying all of that it is the friendly smile and the welcoming heart that makes them stay and want to be a part of UUFCF. Keep it up. You all are the best.



The "Six Sources"



Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote Seven Principles, which we hold as strong values and moral guides. We live out these Principles within a "living tradition" of wisdom and spirituality, drawn from sources as diverse as science, poetry, scripture, and personal experience. These are the six sources our congregations affirm and promote:

- Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life;
- Words and deeds of prophetic people which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love;
- Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;
- Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;
- Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit;
- Spiritual teachings of Earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.

