



# Universalist Convocation 2016

## “Universalism at the Confluence”

First Unitarian Universalist Society of Marietta  
232 Third Street, Marietta, Ohio  
May 20-22, 2016

### Speakers and Workshop Leaders:

Dr. David Torbett, Professor of History and Religion at Marietta College, presenting **Frontier Universalist Daniel Parker**, based on his book, *The Autobiography of Daniel Parker, a Frontier Universalist*.



Rev. Justin Lapoint, former FUUSM minister, Minister Emeritus of Outlaw’s Bridge Universalist Church, and Professor of Religion at James Sprunt Community College, will share **Universalism’s Role Within Unitarian Universalism Today**. The confluence refers not only to the Ohio and Muskingum Rivers that meet at Marietta but the present day UUA.

Rev. Richard Trudeau, Minister Emeritus of the UU Church of Weymouth, MA, author of *Universalism 101: An Introduction for Leaders of UU Congregations* and *Bible Stories for Skeptics*, will present **Overview of UU History** that is clear and easy for people to remember, focusing on ideas rather than names or dates. Do you struggle to share our faith? Rev. Trudeau makes it easy.



There will be additional workshops, a trolley tour of historic Marietta, Ohio, and Saturday night entertainment. Expect an informative, exciting weekend, making new friends, and connecting with old ones!!!

See YOU on May 20, 2016 in Marietta, Ohio!

For additional information email Rich Koster at [richkoster2@aol.com](mailto:richkoster2@aol.com)  
For flyer, registration and membership forms: go to [www.outlawsbridgechurch.org/Convocation.html](http://www.outlawsbridgechurch.org/Convocation.html), or email Peggy Jones at [pjays20@hotmail.com](mailto:pjays20@hotmail.com), or write her at PO Box 235, Seven Springs, NC 28578.



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**Schedule of Events**

**Friday, May 20, 2016**

- 4:00 p.m. Registration
- 6:00 p.m. Supper
- 7:00 p.m. Welcome, Announcements, and Introduction of Speaker
- 7:30 p.m. **Frontier Universalist Daniel Parker**  
Presenter: Dr. David Torbett, Professor of History and Religion at Marietta College
- 8:30 p.m. Social Hour

**Saturday, May 21, 2016**

- 9:00 a.m. Devotional and Singing with Rev. Cat Hawbaker and Musician Randall Kidder
- 9:30 a.m. **Overview of Unitarian Universalist History**  
Keynote Speaker: Rev. Richard Trudeau, Minister Emeritus of the UU Church of Weymouth, MA, author, and past president of the Universalist Convocations.  
Rev. Trudeau presents a clear history of our Unitarian Universalist faith that is easy for people to remember, focusing on ideas rather than names or dates. Do you struggle to explain our faith? Rev. Trudeau makes it easy!
- 10:30 a.m. Break
- 10:45 a.m. Discussion Groups
- 11:30 a.m. Free Time
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch with Universalist Herald Highlights and other announcements
- 1:00 p.m. Trolley Tour of Historic Marietta approximately 1 ½ hour
- 3:00 p.m. Workshops
  - (1) Prequel to Sunday’s service, “Universalism’s Role within Unitarian Universalism Today” with Justin Lapoint
  - (2) “The Unique History of First Unitarian Universalist Society of Marietta” that merged 100 years before denominational merger lead by Jim Rapp.
- 4:00 p.m. Workshops repeated
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. The Marietta Church Entertains You
- 8:30 p.m. Social Hour

**Sunday, May 22, 2016**

- 9:30 a.m. The Universalist Convocations Business Meeting
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service, **Universalism’s Role Within Unitarian Universalism Today**  
Speaker: Rev. Justin Lapoint served the Marietta church for twelve years, is Minister Emeritus Outlaw’s Bridge Universalist Church, Professor of Religion at James Sprunt Community College. The confluence refers not only to the Ohio and Muskingum Rivers that meet in Marietta but to the present day UUA.
- 12:00 p.m. Fellowship and Social Hour



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**REGISTRATION FORM:**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s) (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (w) \_\_\_\_\_ (c) \_\_\_\_\_

Email (please print clearly ) \_\_\_\_\_

Special dietary needs: \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Vegetarian

<b>REGISTRATION FEE:</b>	<b>cost</b>	<b># of registrations</b>	<b>Total</b>
Convocation 2016 Activities: Includes all speakers, workshops, Friday night supper, Saturday lunch, Saturday supper.	\$75.00	x _____ people	\$ _____
Trolley Tour of Historic Marietta (Saturday afternoon)	\$10.00	x _____ people	\$ _____
Friday night activities only with supper	\$30.00	x _____ people	\$ _____
Saturday Morning Activities only with lunch	\$30.00	x _____ people	\$ _____
Saturday Activities with lunch and supper	\$50.00	x _____ people	\$ _____
<b>Total Enclosed</b>			<b>\$ _____</b>

Send completed registration form and check made payable to **The Universalist Convocations** to Peggy Jones, PO Box 235, Seven Springs, NC 28578. (A few scholarships are available for those who find the cost prohibitive.)

**ACCOMMODATIONS:**

You will need to make your own hotel reservations. The closest hotel to the church is the Lafayette Hotel, 101 Front St., Marietta, OH. There are a number of other motels close by including the Microtel Inn, 506 Pike Street, Marietta, OH.

**FIELD TRIP**

A wonderful Trolley Tour of Historic Marietta is planned for Saturday afternoon. The cost of the tour which lasts about 1½ hours is \$10.00.

Convocation 2016 Planning Committee: Justin Lapoint, Rich Koster, Richard Trudeau, Willa O'Neill, Peggy Jones, Ann Malpass.

