



## Universalist Convocation 2019

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Registration Open

The Board of Trustees of the Universalist Convocations extends an invitation to your congregation to attend the upcoming annual Universalist Convocation.

Since 1990, Universalists have been holding an annual convocation to hold fast the spiritual roots of American Universalism. Join us for the Universalist Convocation 2019.

**When:** May 17 – 19, 2019

**Where:** Murray Grove Retreat and Renewal Center, Lanoka Harbor, New Jersey

### Discover Our Universalist roots!

Attending this Universalist Convocation is a perfect opportunity to learn the rich history of the other U in our UU faith tradition.

In addition, a performance of *Love Notes* will be presented. *Love Notes* is a timeless love story told through selected readings of love letters between John Murray and his American bride Judith Sargent with musical accompaniment.

### Registration

Registration opens on February 4, 2019. Space is limited, so please register early and take advantage of the Early Bird Special (Feb 4 – 28). You can register on our new website [UniversalistConvocation.org](http://UniversalistConvocation.org). Registration closes on April 30, 2019. If you have questions, use the website Contact Us page.

### Dynamic Speakers



**Rev. John A. Buehrens**, former president of the UUA (1993 – 2001), is currently the senior minister of the First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco, California. He is the co-author with Forrest Church of *A Chosen Faith: An Introduction to Unitarian Universalism* and many other books. Rev. Buehrens will present: *John Murray and his Impact on American Universalism*.



**Rev. Richard Trudeau** was for 17 years the minister of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Weymouth, MA. He has been actively involved with the Universalist Convocation for 28 years and served as its President for 4 years. He is the author of *Universalism 101* and the more recent *Bible Stories for Skeptics*. Rev. Trudeau will present: *Hosea Ballou and his Impact on American Universalism*.



**Rev. Liz Strong**. The Rev. Dr. Elizabeth M. Strong is a third generation Universalist, a retired Unitarian Universalist Minister of Religious Education and Minister Emerita of the First Parish UU Church in Ashby, MA. She received the Angus MacLean Award for Excellence in Religious Education and the Meadville Lombard Board Alumni Service Award. Rev. Strong will present: *Early Voices of Universalism*.

### Kick Off for 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Universalist Convocation 2019 is also the kick off for the 250th anniversary of Rev. John Murray preaching his first Universalist sermon in Thomas Potter's chapel in Murray Grove, New Jersey in 1770. The convocation's Sunday service will be held in Potter's Chapel.

Also, don't miss all the news between now and the Convocation! Become a subscriber to the *Universalist Herald*, the oldest continuously published liberal religious periodical in North America. Visit <http://universalist-herald.org>.