

Universalist Convocation 2026

Theme: Southern Universalism
May 15 - 17, 2026

The Board of Trustees of the Universalist Convocations extends a cordial invitation to all UUs 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. Please join us for the Universalist Convocation 2026.

This Convocation is our LAST Universalist Convocation. After 36 years, we are bringing this wonderful organization to a close.

When: Friday – Sunday, May 15 - 17, 2026, click this [link](#) for more information.

Where: Clayton Memorial Unitarian Universalist Church, 334 Clayton Memorial Drive, Newberry, SC 29108.





Discover Our Universalist Roots!

Attending this Universalist Convocation is the perfect opportunity to learn, explore and celebrate the rich history of the second U in our UU faith tradition. Join us to celebrate the long history of the Universalist Convocation.

Registration

Registration is now open! Visit our [Registration Page](#) to register online or by paper form. A list of [Recommended Area Accommodations](#) is provided on our website.

Dynamic Speakers

	<p>Origins of Southern Universalism Originally presented at the 2019 UU History and Heritage Baltimore History Convocation, this presentation will uncover the roots of Southern Universalism from the German Baptist Brethren community to the formation of the South Carolina Universalism Convention. Jay Kiskel</p>
	<p>The Road Not Taken Covers the Universalist response to the challenge of Humanism and is defined by the Washington-Andover Declaration of Faith and the Off-Center Cross. Rev. Richard Trudeau</p>
	<p>Keynote Video presentation Rev. Rhett Baird, a tireless Universalist circuit-rider and speaker at the first 1990 Universalist Convocation, will share thoughts and stories.</p>
	<p>Universalist Convocations 1990-Present Day An illustrated history of the Universalist Convocations over a period of 35 years, presented by a former president of our organization, with some comments about the future of the faith we love. Rev. Justin Lapoint.</p>

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