



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



Happening in November

- Nov 1 – All Saints Day
- Nov 2 – All Souls Day
- Nov 7 -- Daylight Savings Time Ends
- Nov 7 -- UUFCF Service at 10:30**
- Nov 11 – Veterans Day, also
National Remembrance Day
- Nov 21 – UUFCF Service at 10:30**
- Nov 25 – Thanksgiving
- Nov 26 – Black Friday
- Nov 28 – Hanukkah begins



Sunday, November 7, 2021

Lyndon Harris

A Commemoration of All Souls

Join us for an exploration into the spiritual meaning of “all souls,” reflecting on the seasons of life and honoring our forebears. Please bring with you a photo or a memento signifying a loved one or loved ones you would like to honor and remember.



Sunday, November 21, 2021

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A Thanksgiving Remembrance: *It's not about Puritans; it's about Gratitude*



Just as global voices have challenged our traditional understanding of Columbus Day, so also have these voices probed the depths of traditional Thanksgiving mythology and found it lacking. Should we give up Thanksgiving? I'll make the case that we should not, but that we should enlarge our practice and focus on its fundamental meaning: being grateful. We'll use the UU Seventh Principle as our guide: “Respect (and love) for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.”



Lyndon's Letter



Dear Ones,

I don't know if you have had a chance to visit the Blue Ridge Parkway recently or not, but if you are inclined, I highly recommend it. Maybe during a time mid-week would be best so as not to get caught in the frenzy of "leaf peepers" on the weekends. These friends are there because, well, it's a beautiful sight to behold! Many from around the country are drawn to the subtle and exquisite beauty of fall in Western NC, something that we can take for granted. The wide variety of trees along the parkway, nestled within the ancient mountains of Appalachia, are full of a dappled colorful beauty worthy of a Gerard Manley Hopkins poem.

The changing of the leaves this time of year reminds me of a beautiful and beloved children's book, *The Fall of Freddy the Leaf: A Story of Life for All Ages* by Leo Buscaglia. Since its publication in 1982, this book has helped a whole generation of children come to terms with the seasons of life – spring, summer, fall and winter – to see their own lives unfold according to nature's pattern, and that death, too, is a part of life.

Naturally, this time of year we take stock of our own journey through life, and the journeys of our loved ones, family members and friends. With that in mind, and with the commemoration of All Souls' Sunday upcoming (have you ever noticed how many UU fellowships are named "All Souls"?), I invite you to bring a remembrance (photo or keepsake) to share of a loved one who has passed. We will share these remembrances by placing them on the altar in a special act of love and commemoration on Sunday, November 7th.

And on Sunday, November 21st we will take the opportunity to continue this journey of gratitude as we explore and honor various gratitude practices of the Thanksgiving season. I hope to see you then.

Gratefully,

Lyndon

"Blessing of the Deck"

After the October 17 service, Lyndon and Maria invited us to join them at their home in Zirconia for Jim Minsheu to employ his credentials as retired Episcopal Priest and lead a ceremony to bless their impressive new deck. Lyndon served homemade vegetarian chili and we basked in the warm sunlight of a beautiful day, welcoming the fall with fellowship.



Whimsical World Gallery Exhibition

Mark your calendar for Thursday evening, November 18 from 5 to 8, when David Cedrone hosts his *Holiday Group Art Show* reception for several artists at his gallery in Landrum (where we meet!) Among the work on display will be decorative paintings by Christine Mariotti, whimsical sculptures by David Edgar, fanciful ceramics by Jean Greeson, and both paintings and prints by Don Greeson. It's catered and will have live music by professional guitarist Jay Maybry. UUFCF Members get in free (along with everyone else!!!!)

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