

*Our Unitarian Universalist Fellowship's*  
**Nuusletter for April, 2025**

*Meeting at the Whimsical World Gallery, 116 Jones St in Landrum, SC  
Mailing Address Remains: UUFCF, P. O. Box 653, Tryon, NC 28782*

## Happening This Month

**April 6 – Service at 10:30**

April 12 – Passover

April 15 – Tax Day

April 20 – Easter Sunday

**April 20 – Service at 10:30**

April 22 – Earth Day

April 25 – Arbor Day



*Sunday, April 6, 2025 – Ernie Mills*

## When Religion was FUN!

Long before religion moved up into the head and became THOUGHT (theology), it was a matter of the feet and dancing. It was not what a person thought that mattered but what they did and there was no ritual without dancing. As the human species evolved, religion became more and more a matter of “right belief” (orthodoxy). Yet deep within us still resides the impulse to move, to dance, to hop and skip in elation, ecstasy and joy.

*Sunday, April 20, 2025 – Ernie Mills*

## SPRING: The Resurrection of Persephone

What do new life, recreation, resurrection, rebirth, Easter, Easter eggs and Persephone have in common? Spring! Our distant ancestors celebrated spring with festivals, ceremonies and sacred rites. Because we moderns do not experience the harsh winters we may not feel the profound impact of the season and the sheer joy and “intoxication” of Persephone’s return. Spring means food, and food means life. We will widen our horizons by exploring the meaning of Easter and set it within a universal framework.



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# Our Community -Don Greeson



Recently, I've heard the word "community" used to describe not only local neighborhoods and on-line groups, but organized networks of people with a common focus. My granddaughter belongs to a community of people with disabilities; my wife is part of a community of artists and craftspeople. Columnist David Brooks asserts the MAGA crowd considers itself a community; Ernie Mills describes our own UUFCF as a community.

Communal activity, like all endeavors, functions best when it's organized. Our little fellowship is a small part of a greater effort to promote, among other things, justice and inclusion for victims of greed and bigotry. Thankfully, the collective organization of other UU churches and fellowships like ours forms a community of its own. The Unitarian Universalist Association's website offers descriptions of several initiatives to address injustices and support basic decency. Below is ***just one group of topics*** the UUA offers for our community to consider, under the menu heading, "Justice & Inclusion." The page leads with this introduction:

*"We have a legacy of "deeds not creeds." Our work for a better world calls us to unexpected places as we harness love's power to stop oppression. From grassroots community organizing to interfaith state, national, and corporate advocacy; in protest marches, prayer vigils, and press conferences; in homeless shelters and in prisons, Unitarian Universalists put our faith into action."*

## **JUSTICE & INCLUSION**

- **Anti-Racism, Multiculturalism, and Belonging**
  - [Introduction to Multiculturalism](#)
  - [Finding Our Way Home Retreat](#)
  - [Sharing Project](#)
  - [How Do We Practice Welcome?](#)
  - [Programs for Congregational Change](#)
  - [2009 Mosaic Project](#)
  - [Catalyst Archive](#)
  - [Racial Justice](#)
- [History of UU Anti-Racism Efforts](#)
- [Anti-Racist Book Discussions](#)
- [Beloved Conversations](#)
- [Black Lives Matter Banners Nationwide](#)
- [Co-Creating DEI](#)
- [Creating and Displaying Banners](#)
- [Effects of Doctrine of Discovery](#)
- [Living Legacy Pilgrimage](#)
- [Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival](#)
- [Journey Toward Wholeness](#)

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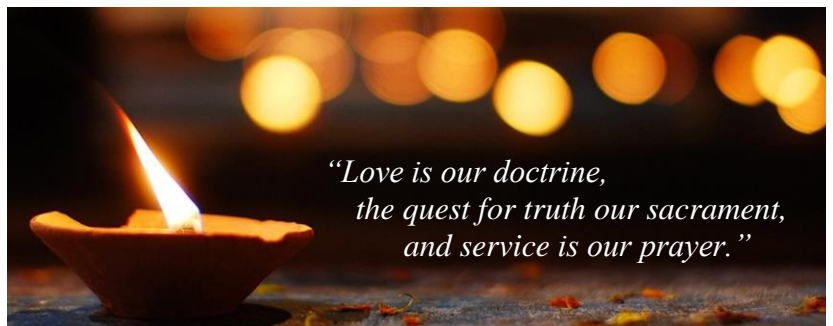
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## **Men's Discussion Group**

meets the first Tuesday of each month  
at 10:00 in the Columbus Public Library at  
1289 W. Mills Street

## **Women's Discussion Group**

meets the second Wednesday of each month  
at 2:00 in Cardinal Coffee in Landrum  
114 E. Rutherford Street



*"Love is our doctrine,  
the quest for truth our sacrament,  
and service is our prayer."*