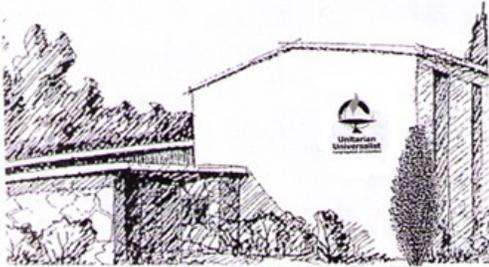




# The Unigram

Newsletter of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Columbia, SC

May 11, 2022



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## Sunday Schedule

Online Forum: 9:30 am

Online Worship: 11:00 am-12:15 pm

### May 15, 2022

9:30 am Forum Topic

“Is there a correlation between religion and war? If so, what is it, and how can that be explained?”

11:00 am Sermon Topic

“International Day Against Transphobia, Biphobia, and Homophobia,”  
Rev. Stephen Robinson

### May 22, 2022

9:30 am Forum Topic

To be announced...

11:00 am Sermon Topic

To be announced...Rebecca Drennan

*The Forum will meet on Sundays  
in the Library and via Zoom*

## Unigram Deadline

The deadline for the next issue is **Sunday, June 5**, for publication on **Wednesday, June 8**. *Items submitted after the deadline will not be published.* Please submit articles and announcements for the next issue to [uucc@uucolumbia.org](mailto:uucc@uucolumbia.org).

## Message From Our Minister “Rest Stops and Road Maps”



When I was a child, summertime signaled a potential road trip and family vacation together. My family of five would pile into the car, with luggage packed and sights set on a destination miles away. I can still feel the rhythm in my body of the constant speed beginning to wane as we prepared for a rest stop. My dad would always tell us to stretch our legs and use the bathroom. This was also an opportunity for me to negotiate with my two older sisters to see if I could get a break from riding on the “hump.” (How many folks out there have ridden on the hump?)

One sight that was always familiar as we emerged from the bathrooms and headed back to the car was my dad with a large folded map, plotting out the next leg of our journey together. He would spread that map out across the hood of the car and use his finger to find the roads and turns relevant to our trip. He looked like an ancient explorer looking to circumnavigate the globe. The one thing I knew for certain was that dad would never be able to fold that map up the way it came when he bought it, and that process usually involved a fair amount of frustration.

Continued...

I have to admit that I would be filled with anxiety if my trips today depended on my ability to read a large folded map. I honestly struggle with the maps at a shopping mall. I tend to get stuck on the “you are here” part. Without some kind of GPS system telling the next turn I need to make, how many miles away that turn is, and what time I will arrive at my destination, I would be utterly lost on road trips. The rest stops are still good for stretching the legs and using the restroom, but the map reading takes place when the car is cranked and the GPS system reconnects.

The month of May provides a rest stop for the UUCC, as we conduct our annual meeting, elect new leaders in various roles, work on the budget, and make plans for the journey ahead. We have a chance to reflect on the year behind us, celebrating wins and learning from wrong turns that we made along the way. We will depend on the Board and various committees to unfold the map and help us figure out the next year of our journey together.

The trip we are taking together and the plans we make are crucial to the well being of the UUCC. The issues facing our members and friends, and the need for social action in our community depend on the strength and wellbeing of the UUCC. We have to make sure that our chalice burns brightly for all who depend on us. This is the time to renew your investment and engage in the good work that we do every day. So, come take a break, stretch your legs, and unfold the map at our annual meeting this month. Our future depends on the how well we plan and prepare for this journey together.

Rev. Stephen Robinson

# UUCC Sunday Services Access

## UUCC In-Person Sunday Services

Sunday services will be in-person and live-streamed for those who are not able to attend in person.

- Everyone 2 and over is required to wear a facemask at all times.
- The Heyward and kitchen doors will be closed Sunday. Please use the main or patio doors for entry.
- No food indoors.
- Water is allowed in a covered container.

## Sunday Services- Instructions for joining us virtually:

If you cannot or prefer not to join us in person, we have two ways for you to still be with us. Decide on which way and then see information below for access.

### A. Zoom interaction before and after streamed service:

For attendees who would like the opportunity to interact with others attending the virtual service, we have created a Zoom event that opens each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and will stay open until approximately 30 minutes after the service ends.

Zoom log in for pre and post service: <https://zoom.us/j/95571103221>

Meeting ID 955 7110 3221 Phone number for audio only: 312 626 6799

### B. Streaming service only

1. Open the browser on your Internet-connected device (computer, laptop, smartphone).
2. Click on this link [https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLMjjpgcaZx8UMNn2Gb\\_nxX35q4bfVyUM](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLMjjpgcaZx8UMNn2Gb_nxX35q4bfVyUM) or paste it in the search bar, hit ENTER:
3. After 10:45, click on the video "Sunday Service *Service Date*"
4. Watch the service being streamed from the UUCC sanctuary

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## UUCC COVID 19 Health Protocols

### Effective May 1, 2022

**Safety Precautions- Vaccinations, Masks, and Social Distancing.** Masking inside the sanctuary and the building are OPTIONAL, with the following provisions:

- a. If the transmission risk in the community increases and the guidance from the public health experts change, we may require that masks be worn indoors at all times again.
- b. Any singing will require that masks be worn.
- c. We recommend that people with specific high-risk conditions or who are not vaccinated (i.e., children ages 2-5) should continue to wear a mask for the safety of themselves and those around them.
- a. UUCC recommends that everybody who is eligible gets the COVID 19 vaccine and booster/s.

**Additional safety considerations.** Any person who is ill or who has tested positive for COVID should not attend any in-person gathering until a physician has cleared them as no longer in danger of infecting others. Anyone who attends an event in the UUCC buildings or grounds and is later diagnosed as having COVID should notify the UUCC Administrator ([uucc@uucolumbia.org](mailto:uucc@uucolumbia.org).) Names of infectious persons will not be a part of public notifications.

# News and Notes

## **Ladies LUUnch BUUnch Thursday, May 12, Noon**

The Ladies LUUnch BUUnch will meet Thursday, May 12, at noon at Miyo's on Forest Drive. We have enjoyed this restaurant in the past as it offers us a varied menu and ample seating for a group. This is a wonderful time to get together with old friends and make new friends. Hoping to see our usual good turnout for this special gathering. Please email Linda McLeod at [bonneylass44@gmail.com](mailto:bonneylass44@gmail.com) so we can make reservations for all of us. See you there!

## **UUC Congregational Music Survey May 12 - May 31**

You are invited to take a short survey about music at the UUC! Participation will allow you to share what is most meaningful and enjoyable in your experience of music in Sunday services, special events, and choral and collaborative musical groups. Survey results will be seen by UUC Music Director Anna Hamilton as she plans for the coming year. Your opinions are valuable in shaping a vibrant and meaningful musical life at the UUC! The survey link will be shared in the upcoming e-blast.

## **UUC Choir Rehearses May 15 & 22, 9:30-10:30am**

You are invited to sing! The UUC Adult Choir will continue in-person rehearsals outdoors at the UUC. All outdoor rehearsals and performances will be *masks optional*. Join us before the service 9:30-10:30am on Sundays, May 15 and 22. All are welcome and no prior experience is necessary. Choir rehearsals will continue with a multi-platform approach, and a link will be shared so singers who would like to participate virtually can attend on Zoom. Contact Anna Hamilton to be added to the UUC Choir e-mail list for detailed information and access to virtual rehearsal links: [music@uucolumbia.org](mailto:music@uucolumbia.org).

## **UUC Book Club, Sunday, May 15, 6:30pm**

Join us for a discussion of “*Wild*,” by Cheryl Strayed. The UUC Book Club is open to all members and friends. Contact Phil Turner if you have questions or would like more information: [philtturner2009@gmail.com](mailto:philtturner2009@gmail.com)

## **Jung-Dreams-Art-Creativity Class Thursday, May 19, 7:30-8:30pm, Sanctuary**

Please note: this class will now be held in the Sanctuary. Join us for this Adult Religious Education class to learn Carl Jung's basic ideas as they relate to our dreams and creativity. In this fast-paced world, how do we slow down, discover our inner world and find surprises about our true selves. Treasures abound as we relate to art, poems, music and nature. The presenter, Melissa Bush PhD, studied dreams at the Jung Institute in Switzerland. Masks required. RSVP to Jean Capalbo at [Jacapalbo@gmail.com](mailto:Jacapalbo@gmail.com)

## **Social Action Meeting, Sunday, May 22, After Service**

The Social Action Committee will meet in person 15 minutes after the end of the UUC service in the Sanctuary observing indoor Covid protocols. We will stream the event as well. Questions? Contact Kevin McKinney or Connie Quirk at [socialaction@uucolumbia.org](mailto:socialaction@uucolumbia.org).

## **Social Action Committee Retreat Monday, May 23**

Save the date for a Social Action Committee retreat! We'll be meeting at Connie & Kevin's home on beautiful Lake Wateree on Monday, May 23, to enjoy fellowship and plan for the months and years to come. Details will be forthcoming!

## News and Notes, continued...

### Virtual Story Circle, Wednesdays 10am

Story Circle will continue on Wednesdays from 10:00-11:00 a.m. Questions? Call Barbara Bates Smith at [828-421-7685](tel:828-421-7685).

### UUC Men's Breakfast Group, 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays

The UUC men's breakfast group meets at a local restaurant or member's home at 9:00 a.m. on the second Thursday of each month. If you are interested, please contact Phil Turner for more information: [philturner2009@gmail.com](mailto:philturner2009@gmail.com)

### Gaia's Rising CUUPS, Thursday Nights, 7:30pm

Join the Covenant of Unitarian Universalist Pagans (CUUPS) Thursday nights at 7:30pm in the UUC library. Note: no meeting on Thursday, May 19. Contact Katy Long at [katylong25@gmail.com](mailto:katylong25@gmail.com)

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## Custodial Assistance Needed Periodically

Our custodian, Bill Dolley, takes vacations periodically throughout the year and we are looking for someone to fill in when he's away. The work includes: setting up for special events, which mostly includes setting up and breaking down tables and chairs; vacuuming; emptying the dishwashers; weekly trash; cleaning bathrooms; and may include running a floor auto scrubber. The position pays \$13.65 an hour and you will be covered by worker's compensation. You will receive dates of Bill's absences far in advance and volunteer assistance may be available when setting up or taking down special events, etc. If you are interested or have questions, please notify Andrea Dudick at [uucc@uucolumbia.org](mailto:uucc@uucolumbia.org).

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## Denominational Connections

### UUA General Assembly 2022

Seven UUC members have already registered for this year's annual UUA General Assembly in Portland, Oregon, June 22 – 26. It's the annual gathering of UU's to conduct business of the Association. Three have been assigned as voting delegates. There's still time to register to attend – with options being In-person (Cost \$575), or Full Virtual (Cost \$275). To learn all about GA, check out <https://www.uua.org/ga>, or contact Bob Whitaker ([Denomconn@uucolumbia.org](mailto:Denomconn@uucolumbia.org)), Karen Brown, Linda Brennon, or Keitha Whitaker.

### Denominational Connections Committee MEMBER INVITATION

Section 8.1(e) of our UUC Bylaws establishes a Denominational Connections Committee to consist of a Chair and three or more members or friends of the Congregation. The duties of this committee are to provide a liaison between the Congregation and the UUA and the appropriate subsidiary jurisdictions of the UUA; Encourage interest and participation in denominational concerns, activities, and events; and keep appropriate (UUC) committees informed about denominational initiatives, resources, and services relating to their (Committee) areas of responsibility.

Please let me know soon if you would like to join the Denominational Connections Committee so that we can schedule a committee meeting (in person/with Zoom) as soon as possible. Contact me if you have any questions or would like to be a member of this committee.

Bob Whitaker, [Denomconn@uucolumbia.org](mailto:Denomconn@uucolumbia.org), 803-391-5639

## **May Share the Plate Recipient: Planned Parenthood**

Half of our cash collection this month goes to Planned Parenthood, which for nearly 100 years has promoted a commonsense approach to women’s health and well-being based on respect for each individual’s right to make informed, independent decisions about health, sex, and family planning. Planned Parenthood will be represented by Allison Terracio, Organizing Program Coordinator, on May 22.

If sending a check please write “Share the Plate” in the memo line or you can give by either going to our website, [uucolumbia.org](http://uucolumbia.org), and clicking on the ‘donate’ bar at the top of the page, or entering “[abundant.co/uucc/give](http://abundant.co/uucc/give)” in your browser. Please be sure to select “Share the Plate.”

## **April Share the Plate Collection Total: NAMI Mid-Carolina**

Thanks to your generous giving to Share the Plate, we sent a check to our April 2022 recipient, NAMI Mid-Carolina, for \$665.50. The Social Action Committee appreciates your participation in making this a successful program.

## **Thank You from March Share the Plate Recipient Congaree Riverkeeper**

Thank you for your recent donation from your Share the Plate program. None of our important work would be possible without your ongoing support. Your donation will help up continue our efforts to protect our rivers. Thank you for your support, Bill Stangler, Executive Director

## **Sunday Flowers Program**

Would you like to share your flowers for our Sunday service in recognition of a birthday, anniversary, or a special memory? You will provide your own floral arrangement. Just let us know the date you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary by sending an email to the Worship Committee at [worshipchair@uucolumbia.org](mailto:worshipchair@uucolumbia.org). Please include your name, phone number, and the date you would like to bring your flowers. You will be contacted to confirm the date and details.



## **UUC Accepts Contributions Electronically**

Please note that your online contributions are not posted to the UUC account until the second business day after you make them. You may give by either going to our website, [uucolumbia.org](http://uucolumbia.org), and clicking on the ‘donate’ bar at the top of the page, or entering “[abundant.co/uucc/give](http://abundant.co/uucc/give)” in your browser.

If you should have any questions or need help, please contact our Administrator, Andrea Dudick, at [uucc@uucolumbia.org](mailto:uucc@uucolumbia.org) or 803-799-0845 Thank you for your generosity.

## **Recordings of Sermons on Website**

Please go to our website ([uucolumbia.org](http://uucolumbia.org)) and look on the right-hand side of the Home Page. Select the Service Archive link and scroll down to the sermon you’d like to see. When on that page, simply select the play button, sit back and enjoy the sermon.

## **UUC Music on YouTube!**

You are invited to visit the UUC Music Coordinator's YouTube page to view and listen to music from services and performances from our talented UUC Musicians.: [UUC Music](#)

# Green Sanctuary 2030: Going Greener One Step at a Time

As most of you did, I started going greener so many years ago I can't remember when I began. But one thing I do know is that I took to heart the phrase, "I can't do everything, but I can do something." This gave me the guilt free path of adopting new routines as I learned about them and thought, "that's not hard...I can add that one more thing."

For many years I have read containers to be sure that the product was not tested on animals and had a biodegradable component to it. But recently I started thinking about the bottle that the good stuff came in. Could I find a good product in a dry form?? My search and experiments led me to recommend the following items:

**Shampoo:** Believe it or not, it's pretty easy to find a bar of shampoo! I prefer the one from Trader Joes, Sophia, my daughter, prefers "Love Beauty And Planet" which can be found at Target and sometimes Kroger.

**Dish Soap:** Although it's sold as hand soap, I have been using Trader Joes oatmeal and honey pure vegetable soap to wash my dishes. It is inexpensive, comes two to a package, and most important; I have tried several bars of soap for my greasy dishes and this one works the best.

**Bulk Spices and Dry Beans, Rice etc.:** Now, I know a lot of stores have bulk food, but ROSEWOOD MARKET right around the corner and 24 Carrot allow you to bring in your clean glass jars from home to use instead of a brand-new plastic bag. Brilliant!!

**Laundry Detergent:** Can come in dissolvable sheets! Go to [homevative.com](http://homevative.com) This was my newest acquisition by way as a Christmas gift from a friend. I have been using them since January and am quite happy.

**Fabric Softener:** Method drier sheets found at Target checks off all the boxes! The sheets are biodegradable, not tested on animals, plant sourced materials and truthfully, can be used over and over before tossing them into the compost.

**Dog Poo Bags:** OK, so this is my next move. I just noticed they are easy to find now. I use all the bread bags first, but then you always need to have the rolls of bags on hand too. I have quite a stash of rolls at the moment...but when I use them up, I'll give the greener ones a try. Some are "biodegradable," others state that they are made from recycled plastics. One small change at a time as I can fit them in. No guilt for not being perfect.

Bethany Storlazzi

# Report on the Third Annual Work Week at The Mountain

The Mountain Retreat and Learning Center, located at the top of Little Scaly Mountain near Highlands, NC, is owned by the UU congregations of the Southeast.

In early April eleven members and friends of the UUCC volunteered at The Mountain to help staff prepare for the upcoming busy season. Our plan allowed each person to schedule their own time there so we had participants spending as few as three or as many as eleven days. Also a wide variety of possible chores allows each person to make a contribution according to his/her skills, tastes, and physical condition.

Our tasks ranged from answering phones, greeting visitors, and addressing envelopes in the office to hours spent shoveling dirt and stones to refill a trench that had been dug at the request of the power company. A few of the accomplishments that fall between those extremes include helping the kitchen staff with food preparation; building new shelves in cabins being upgraded; repairing worn bed spreads; sorting and organizing in the maintenance building and other sheds; unpacking, laundering, and folding new sheets (dozens of them!) to fit the new mattresses purchased through a foundation grant; cleaning winter debris from hiking trails, the amphitheater, the fire ring, the memorial garden, and other public places.

We also assisted with the cleaning of rooms and cabins before the arrival and after the departure of paying guests. Many closets of various uses and sizes (including the Rock Room) were cleaned and organized. We scrubbed and sanitized all the public bathrooms...a few more than once. Many hours were spent washing windows and walls in public areas. The library shelves were dusted and books reorganized. All the dining hall tables, chairs, and service stands were thoroughly cleaned and sanitized. A couple of our group went to the Many Hands Peace Farm and washed eggs. (Really!) We often helped with the set up and breakdown of The Commons for social hour. We swept floors and washed tables and service areas after three meals every day.

But in spite of hard work and exhausted bodies, there was much enjoyment. We had the good fortune to be doing much of this work during the annual Music Week at The Mountain. The organizers invited us to all their morning opening services, evening concerts, and late evening jam sessions. We took advantage of that invitation as often as possible. And nothing could be better than sharing time with and getting to know our fellow UUCC'ers at the beautiful and holy place called The Mountain.

Thanks to Bob & Jane Gillespie, Jane Lawther, Kevin McKinney & Connie Quirk, Laura Redden, Mckenzie Scott, Marlene Trader, Jim & Ginny Verne, and Jeanette Walton.

Finally...for a weekend of eating, drinking, and making merry without the chores, plan to join us at the annual UUCC retreat at The Mountain October 28-30.

# Membership Memo

Our annual celebration known as 30 Days of Love has finished. This beloved tradition, which runs from Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day in January through Valentine's Day in February, is an opportunity for us to collectively nurture our spirits, deepen our understanding of our shared faith, and act on our values for collective liberation.

Whether you joined in every event or haven't heard of 30 Days of Love yet, we want to lift up some of the amazing gifts generated by our contributors and invite you to continue bringing love and justice to our world. *The materials are free for your continued use, individually or in your congregations, and we invite you to share them widely in your community.* Bookmark them for when you need a moment of respite or to share in an upcoming worship service or small group gathering. <https://sidewithlove.org/weekly-spiritual-nourishment-offerings?emci=58a7c397-af8e-ec11-a507-281878b83d8a&emdi=1a041baa-3a8f-ec11-a507-281878b83d8a&ceid=19296686>.

If you think that's the end . . . it's not! Hint. Look around you. It's our annual pledge campaign and this year our campaign gives you the chance to love again and again and again! We know you give more already. We see you put money in the plate every Sunday for our Share the Plate recipients. Don't forget to count that as part of your pledge! (If you put it in an envelope, we'll know it's you and we can record it as such). Our Pledge Campaign helps us to make a budget that allows us to keep the lights on, keep staffing levels at their current level (and, most years, offer them a bit more in compensation), and keep offering this sanctuary space where we can come together every Sunday, renew and replenish our spirits, and go forth into the week with the strength and courage to keep spreading love and hope into the world and into the lives of those around us.

Additionally, if a friend or family member asks you about this faith with the long name, we now have a link we can share that will give them a bit of who we are, a bit of our history, and an invitation to join us in bringing more love into the world. "We are Unitarian Universalists," found here: <https://www.uua.org/files/html/we-are-unitarian-universalists.html>

Become a member and join us as UUs in South Carolina! Membership is open to those 18 years of age or older. If you'd like to know more about membership at UUCC, talk with any member of the Membership Committee on any Sunday or email [membership@uucolumbia.org](mailto:membership@uucolumbia.org). We're easy to find. Look for the red "Ask Me" ribbons on our nametags.

Keitha Whitaker, Membership Chair

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS & BOARD LIAISONS 2021/2022

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# Meetings & Rentals

Art For All Group	Cancelled	7:00 pm	
Board Meeting	Wednesday, May 18	6:30 pm	Online Meeting
Chair Yoga	On Hiatus		
Children & Youth RE Committee	TBA	7:00 pm	Online Meeting
Choir - UUCS Rehearsal	Sundays, May 15 & 22	9:30-10:30 pm	Patio & Zoom
Choir – Prism (women)	Cancelled	6:30 pm	
Choir - Encore (men)	Cancelled	9:30 am	
Christian Heritage	TBA	Noon	
CUUP's, Gaia's Rising	Thursdays	7:30 pm	Library
Funeral Consumers Alliance	Cancelled	5:30 pm	
Forum	Sundays	9:30 am	Library & Zoom
Green Team	TBA	12:15 pm	
Knit or Not	Cancelled	2:00 pm	
Membership Committee	TBA	2:00 pm	Online Meeting
Visitor Orientation	Sunday, June 12	12:15 pm	Classroom Room 8
Science & Religion	Cancelled	7:00 pm	
September Set	Cancelled	Noon	
Social Action Committee	Sunday, May 22	1:00 pm	Sanctuary & Zoom
Technology Committee	TBA	6:00 pm	
UU Animal Ministry	TBA	5:00 pm	
UU Book Club	Sunday, May 15	6:30 pm	Zoom
UU Humanist	TBA	7:00 pm	
UU Partner Church Committee	TBA	12:30 pm	
Women's Book Club	TBA	7:00 pm	
<b>Rentals</b>			
La Leche League	Cancelled	6-8pm	
Tai Chi 803-772-9557 columbia.sc@taoist.org	Cancelled	6:30 pm	
Men's AA I	Cancelled	6:30 pm	
Women's AA I	Cancelled	6:30 pm	
Men's AA II	Cancelled	5:00 pm	

## The Seven Principles of Unitarian Universalism

Grateful for the religious pluralism that enriches and ennobles our faith, we are inspired to deepen our understanding and expand our vision. We covenant to affirm and promote:

1. The inherent worth and dignity of every person
2. Justice, equity, and compassion in human relationships
3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement of spiritual growth in our congregations
4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning
5. The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and society at large
6. The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all
7. Respect for the interdependent web of existence of which we are a part

If these principles reflect your understanding of the world and appeal to your sense of spiritual fulfillment, we invite you to consider membership in the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Columbia. If you would like to discuss membership or if you would simply like more information, please speak to any member of the Membership Committee or of the Board of Trustees.

### UUC Board of Trustees

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