

All are warmly invited to each of the following events held during South Carolina Interfaith Harmony Month (January) and through World Interfaith Harmony Week in February.

Tuesday, December 17

Governor Nikki Haley proclaims January 2014 is "South Carolina Interfaith Harmony Month"

Thursday, January 2 - Buddhist

7:00 p.m.

"What the Buddha Taught and Why It Matters Today," by Ven. Thubten Chonyi, an ordained Buddhist nun. South Carolina Dharma Group, at Seibels House, 1601 Richland St., Columbia, SC 29201. For more info: scdharma@gmail.com.

Thursday, January 9

6:30 p.m. Snacks and socializing, Women of Many Faiths of Columbia 7:00 p.m. Brief Introduction to WOMF followed by facilitated sharing on "Showing Compassion to Others" Baha'l Center, 2020 Assembly Street, Columbia, SC 29201. For more info: 803-798-7116

Sunday, January 12 - Christian-Methodist

9:45-10:45 a.m.

Pan-Methodist Campaign for Children in Poverty, Bishop Jack Meadors (ret.)

Shandon United Methodist Church, SUMC-Player Hall, 3407 Devine St, Columbia, SC 29205

For more info: 803-256-8383

Sunday, January 12 – Christian-Methodist

9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Dialogue on compassion with the Dawsey Sunday School class and worship in the main sanctuary, Fellowship and refreshments Washington Street United Methodist Church 1401 Washington St, Columbia, SC 29201. For more info: 803-254-8405

Wednesday, January 15 - Buddhist

Introduction to Nichiren Buddhism SC SGI-USA Buddhist Community Center, 228 O'Neil Ct., Columbia, SC 29223. For more info: 803-419-4551

Saturday, January 18 - Baha'i

Baha'i Faith event TBA. For more info: 571-606-3068

Sunday, January 19 - Sikh

11:00 a.m

Observance and Prayers 2:00 p.m. Vegetarian lunch Sikh Religious Society of SC, 11419 Broad River Road, Chapin, SC 29036. For more info: 917-415-0464

Wednesday, January 29 - Buddhist

7:00 p.m.

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Saturday, February 1 - Pagan

6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Lights of Nut ceremony Osireion (email holli@sc.rr.com for reservation, directions to a home location, and more info)

Sunday, February 2 - Unitarian Universalist

11:00 a.m. -12:00 noon

Water communion as part of Sunday morning service (Eatin' Meetin' covered dish lunch to follow) Clayton Memorial Unitarian Universalist Church, 334 Clayton Memorial Unitarian Universalist Church Road, Newberry, SC 29108. For more info: (803) 345-0637

Sunday, February 2 - Hindu

Rescheduling

3:00-5:00 p.m.

Introduction to Hindu Worship, (including vegetarian dinner) Hindu Temple & Cultural Center, 5704 Kiawah Road, Columbia, SC 29212. For more info: (803) 781-9054

Friday, February 7

7:00-9:00 p.m.

Dances of Universal Peace

Inspired by various spiritual traditions, these dances help us awaken our awareness of the divine in others and in ourselves. After the dance, we socialize over refreshments. 2701 Heyward Street (Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Columbia), Columbia SC 29205. For more info: (803) 743-0731

Sunday, February 23 – Christian-Lutheran

Time TBA

Interfaith Concert.

Ebenezer Lutheran Church, 1301 Richland St, Columbia, SC 29201. For more info: 803-765-9430

Wednesday, February 26 – Muslim

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Introduction to Understanding Islam And Muslims Presentation, open discussion and socialization with light food. Masjid As-Salaam, 5119 Monticello Road, Columbia, S.C. 29203. For more info: 803-252-9477

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