

# Major Historical Milestones of the Transylvanian Unitarian Church

Official acceptance of the “Arianus” religion by the state assembly.

Founding date of the Transylvanian Unitarian Church at the Diet of Torda.

1568

Martyr death of David Ferenc, founder of the Unitarian Church.

1579

1571

Death of John Sigismund II, the Unitarian King. Beginning of recatholicization under Catholic rulers.

Under the rule of a Catholic Prince the Unitarian Church is forced to enter into the Agreement of Des. The Church makes theological compromises on non-adorationist faith articles.

1638

1693

Diploma Leopoldinum is issued by the Hapsburg Emperor. Forced recatholicization gains speed. The Unitarian Church loses many church buildings, schools, property, and printing and other privileges.

Edict of Toleration by the Hapsburg Emperor. The Unitarian Church is allowed normal functioning.

1781

1918

Transylvania is attached to the Kingdom of Romania. Unitarians are now in cultural minority.

Communist rule begins. Persecution of Unitarian Church officials and ministers includes imprisonments.

1945

1989

End to communist rule in Romania. The Unitarian Church begins normal functioning yet again.