

# River of Grass Unitarian Universalist Congregation

## Love-stream Worship!

October 11, 2020 – 10:30 am

### Celebrating our Diversity: The Latinx Community

Come join us this second Sunday of October to continue our month-long exploration of the meanings and ways of Deep Listening. This week we will share our personal story on the joy we have experienced as adopted members of the greater Latinx family. We'll reflect on the value of diversity and of listening to the perspectives of those of Latin heritage, and on how we might open our hearts even wider to express our UU principles based on love and respect. Oh! and there will be new music by some of our seriously awesome River of Grass musicians that will touch your heart, we promise.

Come as you are to gather with us for this Sunday's love-streamed service, remembering only the medium is virtual; the connections, the love, the spirit are real. Following the service, we will share virtual Hospitality time with a live chat and small groups where we can relish each other's beautiful faces and voices together once again.

If you need some support getting settled after logging into our Worship Zoom Meeting, we will have folks "in the room" at 10:00 to help. Then, as we always do, at 10:30, we will ring the chimes and gather in spirit if not in body, then follow our service with Virtual Hospitality, greeting one another right there in our Zoom screen.

Gather with us from your computer, laptop, tablet, smartphone with video and audio or just audio; or audio only from a basic phone at the connections below -- this information also at [riverofgrassuu.org](http://riverofgrassuu.org):

#### Topic: Worship October 11, 2020

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/961564350?pwd=cFpKY2RtRk4wVE5NbDczdTU5THViQT09>

Meeting ID: 961 564 350

Password: 873805

Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/ab3E9JRtb9>

We'll be watching for you, and happier than ever to see you!

Ken and Leana Bresnahan

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## Order of Service

### Oh, Let Us Gather

#### Welcome

**Musical Welcome** – “Lo Feo” Words & Music: Teresita Fernandez; Performed by Ilan Chester, Maria Rivas, MV Caldera, and Victor Hugo Amaya

**Reading**– “The Music of the Spheres” by Ernesto Cardenal

**Theme Hymn** – “Spirit of Life” Words & Music: Carolyn McDade Words in Spanish: Ervin Barrios; Performed by: Linda Lathroum and Brenda Parker

**Chalice Lighting** – Adapted from “Bienvenidos a la Comunidad Unitaria Universalista”

*Quizá usted se sienta comprometido a mejorar el mundo...*

*Quizá usted esté del lado del amor y en contra de la injusticia y la opresión...*

*Quizá usted crea que las personas con diferentes creencias religiosas pueden unirse en una comunidad espiritual trascendente...*

*Quizá usted busca un hogar religioso en donde se le inste a buscar sus propias respuestas...*

*Siéntase bienvenido entre nosotros... (Ervin Barrios)*

*Perhaps you feel committed to make the world a better place...*

*Perhaps you are on the side of love and against injustice and oppression...*

*Perhaps you believe that people of different religious faiths can unite in a transcendent spiritual community...*

*Perhaps you are searching for a religious home in which you are encouraged to search for your own answers...*

*Please feel welcome among us... (Translated by Leana Bresnahan)*

#### Covenant

*Love is the spirit of this congregation and service is its law.*

*This is our great covenant:*

*to dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in love, and to help one another.*

*El Amor es el espíritu de esta congregación, y el servicio su ley principal.*

*Esta es nuestra gran promesa:*

*vivir juntos en paz, buscar la verdad a través del amor,  
y ayudarnos mutuamente.*

**Song** – “Gracias a la Vida” Words & Music: Violeta Parra; Performed by Linda Lathroum and Aaron Stang

#### Candles of Community

#### Response

**Wisdom Story** – “Pepe and the Parade: A Celebration of Hispanic Heritage” Written by Tracey Kyle; Read by: Diane Diaz

**Thank You!**

**Capital Campaign Testimonial** – Barbara Ratchford

**Song** – “La Campaña” Words by Aaron Stang; Song parody based on “La Grange” by ZZ Top

**Message** – “Celebrating our Diversity: The Latinx Community – Leana Bresnahan

**Offering Hymn** – “Open My Heart” Words & Music: Henry S. Flurry

**Offering** – Give digitally and via text: <https://riverofgrassuu.org/donations.html>

**Song** – “O Barquinho” Words: Ronaldo Bôscoli & Buddy Kaye; Music: Roberto Menescal; Performed  
by: Renato & Marpessa De Moraes

**Extinguish Chalice/Carry the Flame**

**Closing Words**

**Hospitality Connection**