

# River of Grass UU Congregation

## December 5, 2021 – 10:30 am

### Opening to Joy

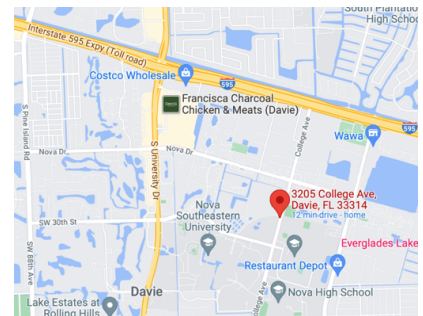
It's hard to believe it was 89 Sundays ago that we closed our in-person Sunday services as the COVID-19 virus took over everything we knew, or thought we did. 89. This Sunday the numbers have turned in our favor to hold our first In-Person Multi-Platform service where some of us will in the same room together and others joining by Zoom and facebook in a world now forever changed -- as are we. But one thing has not changed – our love for one another, our commitment to this faith we share, our determination to both deepen and widen the circle of Beloved Community at River of Grass. We so hope you will join us by whatever means works for you as we open to joy that shines in and around and through us in the most challenging of times. We were made for this. We were made for now. We were made for one another. We were made for joy!

Please be aware, if you join us in-person:

- masks are required at all times
- seating is limited
- no food or drink is allowed inside our rented space
- sign in at the door for contact tracing, should the need arise

Meeting location:

University of Florida (IFAS Satellite Building)  
3205 College Avenue  
Davie, FL 33314



We'll be live on Zoom at the link below, as well as on our facebook page.

**Topic: Worship December 5, 2021**

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!

Rev. Amy Carol Webb

**Opening to Joy**  
**River of Grass – December 5, 2021**  
**Order of Service**

**Oh, Let Us Gather**

**Welcome**

**Announcements**

**Opening Words**

**Theme Hymn** – “Enter, Rejoice & Come In” Words & Music: Louise Ruspini

**Chalice Lighting**

*We light this Chalice*

*For the love that holds us*

*For the light that leads us*

*For the hope that calls us on. (Webb)*

**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.*

**Reading**

**Music** – “Return Again” Words & Music: Shlomo Carlebach

**Message**

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

**Candles of Community**

**Pastoral Response**

**Closing Hymn** – “Watchin’ the River Run” Words & Music: Jim Messina and Kenny Loggins; Performed

by: Gary Gonzalez and Aaron Stang

**Carry the Flame**

**Extinguish Chalice**

**Hospitality Connection**