

# River of Grass UU Congregation

January 14, 2024 – 10:30 AM

## Tell Them About the Dream

“Even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream.

It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream.

I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed:

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal.”

- Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

These words written by the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. - the core of one the best known and influential speeches in American history - still resonate with us today as we celebrate what would have been his 95th birthday. On the steps of Washington D.C.'s Lincoln Memorial at the massive 1963 civil rights march, King actually went completely off script as he began powerfully sharing his vision. He said he saw black and white children holding hands, of our country turning into an oasis of freedom. Where all finally would be free at last. Free at last. Thank God Almighty, free at last.

He courageously told us his dream 61 years ago. And died for it seven months later. And where is our country today? Where are we today? Where are you today? Isn't it our time now to “tell them about the dream?”

Come, let us be brave together this Sunday at 10:30! – either in-person at the Old Davie Schoolhouse Heritage Hall or virtually on Zoom. We welcome you on Sunday morning at 10:30. Come a bit before and we can Chat prior to the service... See you then!

In person at:

- Our Sunday morning rental space is located at the Old Davie Schoolhouse
- 6650 Griffin Road, Davie, FL 33314 ([Click for Directions](#))
- Service will begin at **10:30 AM**
- Childcare will be provided.

Use the Zoom link below to gather with us virtually in Zoom. Catch us on Facebook live on our [facebook page](#).

### 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>

Diane Lade

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## River of Grass – January 14, 2024 – Order of Service

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

**Theme Hymn #389** – “Gathered Here” Words & Music: Philip A. Porter; Performed by: River of Grass choir; Gary Gonzalez; and Cecilia Roy

**Chalice Lighting**

*We light this candle for strength,  
For determination, for courage,  
For faith.  
That by our own lives, the unwavering flame of justice  
Shall reach the far corners of every human heart. (Webb)*

**Covenant**

*In the light of love, let us renew our covenant as we say together:  
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.*

**Deepening Music #1017** – “We Are Building A New Way” Words & Music: Martha Sandefer;  
Performed by: Cecilia Roy

**Candles of Community**

**Stones of Reflection**

**Pastoral Response**

**Sung Response**

*From all that dwell below the skies  
let songs of hope and faith arise;  
let peace, good will on earth be sung  
through every land, by every tongue.*

**Message** – “Still Just A Dream?” Bev Kaufman

**Offering** – <http://riverofgrassuu.org/donations.html>

**Offering Music**

**Wisdom Story** – “Love Will See You Through” Written by: Angela Farris Watkins. Illustrated by: Sally Wern Comport. Read by: Diane Diaz

**Singing Youth to Class** – “We Love You and Bless You” Words & Music: Rev. Amy Carol Webb

**Message** – “What Exactly is the Dream?” Andy Perez

**Closing Music** – “The Times They Are A-Changin’” Words & Music: Bob Dylan; Performed by: Cecilia Roy

**Announcements**

**Closing Words**

**Extinguish Chalice**

**Shine On**  
**Invite to Hospitality**  
**Music Reprise**