

River of Grass Order of Service
April 5, 2026
Monthly Theme: Embracing Possibilities
Easter
Amy Horton Travera

GATHERING

10:25 Morning Sing #128 For All That Is Our Life; Words: Bruce Findlow, Music Patric L Rickey
#360 Here We Have Gathered; Words: Alicia S Carpenter, Music: Genevan Psalter
Oh, Let Us Gather Words and Music: RevAmy Carol Webb

Ringing of the Chimes

Prelude #38 Morning Has Broken; Words: Eleanor Farjean, Music Gaelic Melody

Welcome

Opening Words

Opening Music #112 Do You Hear? Words: Emily L Thorn, Music: William Caldwell's Union
Harmony 1837

Chalice Lighting by Scott Taylor

We light this flame

in a world where so much has grown dark.

May it remind us that sparks can always be struck,
and very little is inevitable.

Most of it is mystery and magnificent surprise.

Which means new and yet-to-be imagined worlds always await.

Which means a door has already swung wide,
with possibility waiting on the threshold
ready to pull us through.

CONNECTING

Covenant

English: *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.*

Spanish: *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.*

Birthday Video

Wisdom Story "Maybe" by Kobi Yamada, illustrated by Gabriella Barouch

Singing the Children to Classes

Offering/Offertory

DEEPENING

Deepening Music #6 Just As Long As I Have Breath; Words: Alicia S Carpenter, Music: Johana G
Ebeling

Candles of Community

Stones Ritual; Moment of Reflection

Pastoral Response

Sung Response

Heritage and Hope

Message “A Tomb is No Place to Stay “ Written by Lisa Fishbeck; Shared by Amy Horton Tavera

SENDING

Closing Music Climb Every Mountain by Rodgers & Hammerstein

Closing Words

Extinguishing the Chalice

Announcements

Invite to Hospitality

Sending; Shine On / Music Reprise