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River of Grass

Unitarian Universalist Congregation
11850 W State Rd 84, A-9, Davie, FL 33325

Welcome to our River of Grass Family

Welcome to our Love; **Welcome Home**

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Thursday, August 6, 2026

Sunday Service August 9, 2026

Monthly Worship Theme: Meet the Moment

Love at the Center of Reproductive Justice & Bodily Autonomy

Kati LeTourneau



Resonance of
Choice
by saheedartz

*"Many of us grew up with the language of "choice."
Pro-choice, freedom of choice, my body, my
choice. That language did important work for a long
time, and it's not wrong, but it's not enough."*

Kati LeTourneau

Kati LeTourneau will offer an exploration of
Love, Reproductive Justice,
Abortion Justice and Solidarity

Our Mission

*We nurture our spirits, love intentionally,
and work to create a just and healthy planet.*

Come as you are Sunday morning at 10:30 – either
in-person in Davie: 11850 W SR 84, A-9, Davie, FL
33325 or **virtually on YouTube LiveStream**
(link below). Childcare provided.



We come together to lament
with, celebrate with, & care for
one another in our community
& our world.

On Zoom; link below;
Gather 8:15, start 8:30

In person meditation at River of Grass will
resume on August 30th.

Zoom meditation on Sunday mornings will continue
uninterrupted at the link provided. Mark Kmetzko will be
your Zoom guide for August.

UU Kids will have fun all summer long!
While our regular Sunday Faith Development
program is on recess until September,
we will have crafts and activities
available for children and youth every Sunday.



For more information about our religious education
programs: faithdevelopment@riverofgrassuu.org.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChJNmoySFzsKskHmsjkZe2g>

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Flowing River Sangha:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/646777873?pwd=WHZaNjJQNWF5T0t6UW1kRiFLTVcyZz09>

Sunday Worship in August

Monthly Theme:

**Meet the Moment
Together
Everywhere!**

August 9 - Love at the Center of
Reproductive Justice & Bodily Autonomy;
Kati LeTourneau

August 16 - Meeting the Moment
Dialectically: Why Balance Matters;
Andy Bunce

August 23 – A Call to Social Justice;
Leana Bresnahan, Susan Skach-
Bejarano, Kechi Mourer, Theo Lucas

August 30 –





Rev Nick Sanchez

It is with great joy that the Board of Trustees announces that Rev Nick and his family have arrived in South Florida and are settling into their new home.

During the month of August, Rev Nick will be meeting with River of Grass congregants and leaders to get to know his new community and together make plans for the congregational year.

Currently, we expect Rev Nick to lead his first worship service at River of Grass on September 6th, but stay tuned to this newsletter for announcements....
his first worship service could come sooner than that!

With love and JOY! Leana



While many of us are on vacation and enjoying summer fun the River is still having steady attendance to our service every Sunday.

Hospitality would like to make sure we have savory items, fruit or vegetables each Sunday.

Can you volunteer to bring something?

And a special thank you to Marilisa for securing sweets each week from Publix.

Sign up in the hospitality area or contact Elly at elly.keane19@gmail.com



UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, August 6, 6pm Zoom **Mindfulness for Today's World**
Carolyn Santangelo and Scott May

Sunday, August 9, 8:15am Zoom Only **Flowing River Sangha**

Sunday, August 9, 10:30am A-9 + YouTube Livestream **Worship Love at the Center of Reproductive Justice & Bodily Autonomy**; Kati LeTourneau

Sunday, August 9, 10:30am A-9 **Children's Faith Development**

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Sunday, August 16, 10:30am A-9 + YouTube Livestream **Meeting the Moment Dialectically: Why Balance Matters**; Andy Bunce

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River of Grass Demonstration outside the
South Dade Migrant Youth Detention Center 2019



Carolyn Santangelo & Scott May

Mindfulness for Today's World

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82686665851?pwd=kF4kTZS0dA7mK3HM2FXXalsxV1bJX0.1>

Worship Service:

Gary Gonzalez Sangha

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/646777873?pwd=WHZaNjJQNWF5T0t6UW1kRIFLTVcyZz09>

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Men's Group

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Order of Service for August 9, 2026

Morning Sing Keep on Moving Forward; Words & Music:

Pat Humphries

Oh, Let Us Gather; Words and Music: RevAmy Carol Webb

Welcome

Prelude Talkin' About a Revolution by Tracy Chapman

Welcome Cont.

Call to Worship

Opening Music Just as Long as I Have Breath #6; Words:

Alicia S Carpenter, Music: Johann G Ebling

Chalice Lighting

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.

Wisdom Story A Is for Activist by Innosanto Nagara

Singing the Children to Classes

Offering/Offertory

DEEPENING

Deepening Music Spirit of Life #123; Words and Music by

Carilyn McDade

Candles of Community

Stones of Reflection

Pastoral Response

Heritage and Hope

Message Everyone Loves Someone Who Had an Abortion;

Kati LeTurneau

Closing Music Solid As A Rock trad. unknown

Closing Words

Extinguishing the Chalice

Announcements

Invite to Hospitality/Shine On

Music Reprise Thank God for Abortion by Viva Ruiz



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*Announcements wishing to be sent out in this weekly
congregation-wide newsletter should be received
by noon Wednesday.*

*All announcements will pertain to congregational life
and affiliated groups and and will be for activities or
events occurring within two weeks.*

*Outside groups and individuals, wishing to use this
vehicle of congregation-wide communication, must
have the approval of the President.*

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Sunny Vale Public Library

Board Meeting Highlights

From their Meeting: