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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, September 10, 2026

Sunday Service September 13, 2026

Monthly Theme: Interdependence



Tony Krynski

Take Me to the River – River of Grass's Annual Water Communion Service - Multi Generation

RevNick Sanchez

“We each may be but separate drops, but together,
we form a mighty River of community.”

Join us River of Grass's
annual water communion ceremony!
Come join the community as we celebrate
our interdependence.

Bring water from home, from your travels, or from a
place that holds meaning for you.

We'll combine our many waters to form a mighty
River! Don't have water to bring? No worries!
We'll have water available & everyone is welcome.

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.

A-9 + Zoom; link below;
Gather 8:15, start 8:30
Gary Gonzalez

Children's & Youth's Faith Development 10:30am



Dreamstime.com

For more information about our Faith Development
Program for children and youth, reach out to our
Director, Karen Gonzalez at
ReligiousEducator@RiverofGrassUU.org.

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

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Flowing River Sangha:

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



New Beginnings TreesArtPrint

September Worship
Monthly Theme:
Beginnings / Interdependence

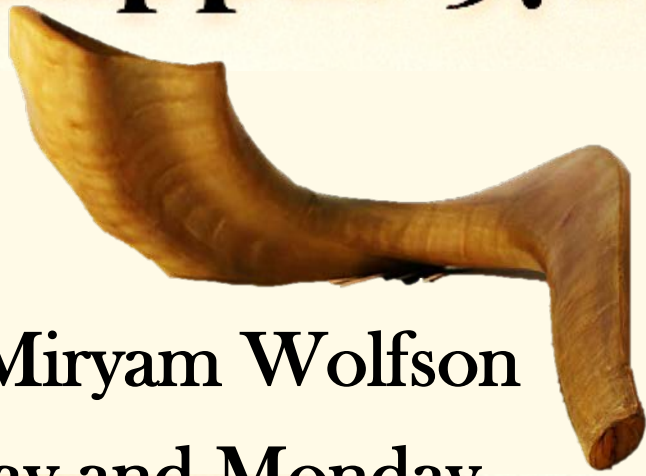
September 13 – Take Me to the River /
Water Communion / Multi Generation -
RevNick

September 20 – Interfaith/Interdependent
Rabbi Miryam Wolfson

September 27 – Bricks and Mortar -
RevNick

Congregation Shaarei Simchah

**River of Grass UU
Yom Kippur 5787**



Rabbi Miryam Wolfson

**Sunday and Monday
September 20-21, 2026**

Kol Nidrei 6:30pm

Yom Kippur 10:00am

Yizkor 1:00pm

Minchah/Neilah 5:00pm

**IN PERSON services will be held in
Davie, Florida at River of Grass**

All are welcome.

**Congregation Shaarei Simchah looks forward to
worshiping together with River of Grass.**

**Please join our Jewish Renewal and
Unitarian Universalist communities for the
holiest day of the Jewish calendar.**

**Rabbi Wolfson will lead our Sunday Service on
September 20.**

Email RevNick for the Zoom link.



Fall Potluck Picnic!

**Sunday, October 4, 2026
1 – 4 pm**

**at the Home of
Liz and John Perez in Plantation**

River of Grass members, family, and friends,
you are INVITED!

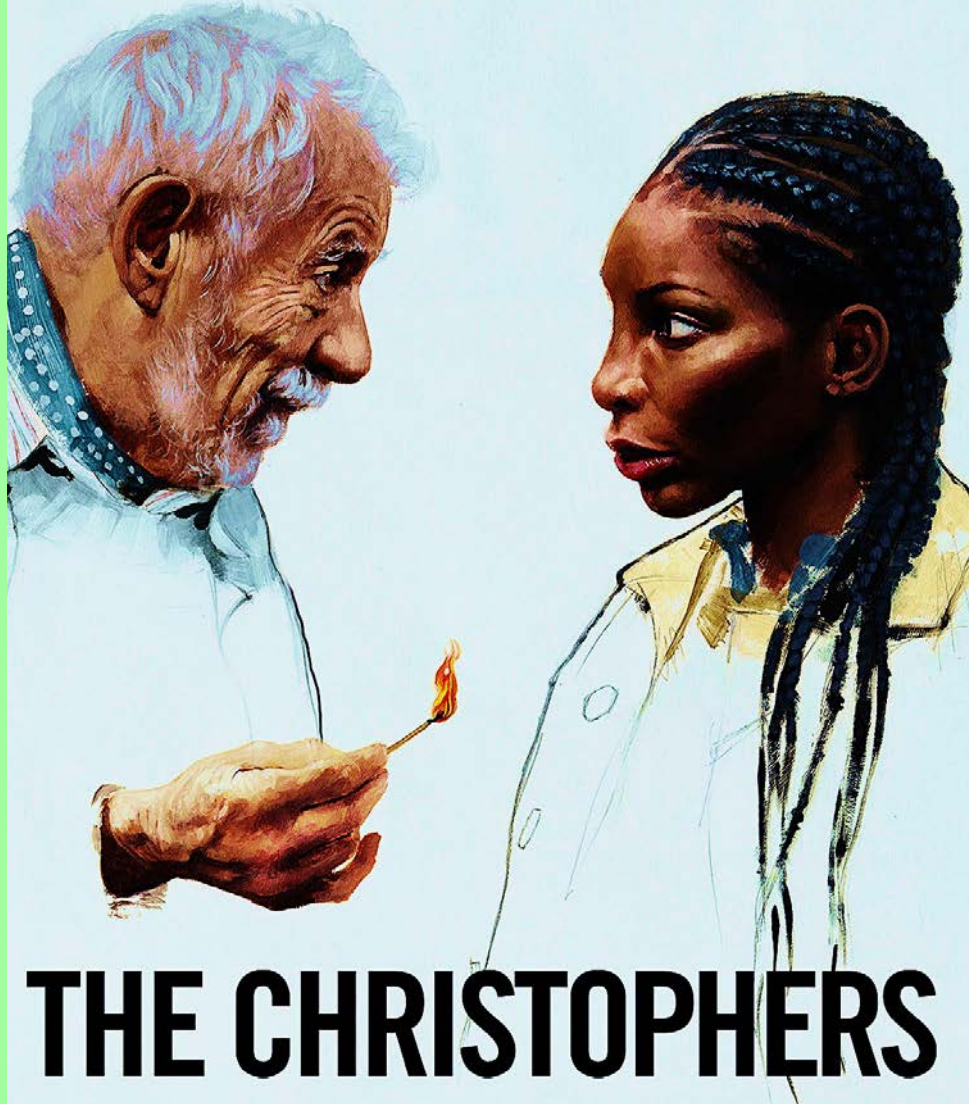
We will share good food and great
conversation while the
children play and swim.

Please let us know if you can bring food to
share, and if so, what will you bring.
(Sign-up sheet at worship service.)

Your presence is the best gift.

To RSVP or for more info, email
[membership@ riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:membership@riverofgrassuu.org)

or call/text 954-258-6315



Julian Sklar is a cantankerous once-famous painter living in seclusion in London.

His two estranged children want his inheritance. They hire a freelance art restorer to become Julian's assistant.

She gains access to Julian's studio and finishes his most important series, **The Christophers**.

She does so much painting on them that they become forgeries.

The Christophers is directed by Steven Soderberg; it is on Amazon; it won the Best Picture Academy Award 2016.

mUUvies will discuss
The Christophers
Today, Thursday, Sept 10, 7pm.
Google Meet Link below
Steve and Kathy Jens-Rochow



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HER FUNDRAISING GOAL



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JOIN TEAM TSUNAMI



**5K
OR
3K**
ROUTES
AVAILABLE!

Please see Linda, Gayle, or Pam for more details about signing up to walk or donate to the team.

Every donation counts as we fundraise for mental health services here in Broward.

Thank you for your support!

For information Linda lindalath@gmail.com

To join team TsuNAMI:

<https://www.namiwalks.org/team/83980>

Carolyn Santangelo & Scott May

Mindfulness for Today's World

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

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, September 10, 6pm Zoom **Mindfulness for Today's World** Carolyn Santangelo and Scott May

Thursday, September 10, 7pm Zoom, **mUUvies: The Christophers**, Steve and Kathy Jens-Rochow

Sunday, September 13, 8:15am Zoom + A-9, Gary Gonzalez **Flowing River Sangha**

Sunday, September 13, 10:30am A-9 + YouTube Livestream, **Sunday Service – Take Me to the River / Water Communion / Multi Generation** - RevNick

Sunday, September 13, 10:30am A-9 **Children's Faith Development** Karen Gonzalez

Thursday, September 17, 7pm Zoom + A-9; **Men's Group** Ken Bresnahan Topic:

Saturday, September 19, 2-4, A-9; **Spiritual Art Sign Painting** Steve Jens-Rochow

Sunday, September 20, 8:15am Zoom + A-9, Gary Gonzalez **Flowing River Sangha**

Sunday, September 20, 10:30am A-9 + YouTube Livestream, **Sunday Service – Take Me to the River / Water Communion / Multi Generation** - RevNick

Sunday, September 20, 10:30am A-9 **Children's Faith Development** Karen Gonzalez

Wednesday, September 23, 7pm, bUUkies zoom; **Hail Mary** Steve and Kathy Jens-Rochow

Thursday, September 24, 6pm Zoom **Mindfulness for Today's World** Carolyn Santangelo and Scott May

Friday, September 25, 7pm, A-9, **Drum Circle** Andy Bunce and Linda Lathroum



Carolyn Santangelo & Scott May

Mindfulness for Today's World

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Order of Service for September 13, 2026

Morning Sing

I've Got Peace Like a River #100: Words & Music: Marvin V Frey

Wade in the Water #210; Words & Music: African American Spiritual

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

Welcome

Prelude Take Me to The River; Words and Music: Al Green and Mabon "Teenie" Hodges, River of Grass Band

Welcome Cont.

Chalice Lighting The Spirit of Water by Katie Sivani Gelfand

We light this chalice as a symbol of reunion.

We reunite in this sanctuary to share the flow of our hearts with one another.

We gather together in ritual to celebrate our fountains of joy
to hold each other through storms of grief
to guide one another through rapids of transformation
to rest together on ponds of stillness.

Together, we honor the spirit of water, its many forms,
and its life-giving essence

Opening Music Down to the River to Pray; Words and Music: African American Spiritual

Call to Worship Wellspring of New Beginnings; RevNick Sanchez
Covenant

Offering/Offertory New Beginnings: Words&Music: Gerald Albright

Deepening Music Watching the River Run; Words and Music: Kenny Loggins and Jim Messina

Candles of Community

Stones of Reflection Water is Wide: Trad. English and Scottish
Pastoral Response

Blessing of the Backpacks / Blessing of the Teachers

Message Take Me to the River; RevNick Sanchez

Joining of the Waters Ritual

Special Music by The Waters

Blessing the Water

Closing Music Blue Boat Home #1064; Words: Peter Meyer, Music: Roland Hugh Pritchard

Closing Words All Rivers Run to the Sea by Kayle Rice

Extinguishing the Chalice

Announcements / Invite to Hospitality

Shine On / Music Reprise



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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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