

River of Grass

Unitarian Universalist Congregation
11850 W State Rd 84, Ste A9, Davie, FL 33325

WELCOME TO OUR RIVER OF GRASS FAMILY. WELCOME TO OUR WARMTH. WELCOME HOME!

River of Grass Weekly Update – September 19, 2024

WILD GODS AND LEARNING LETTING GO The Autumnal Equinox

*But it would be a great mistake to ignore the stray bit of data that doesn't fit,
that may even confound everything you thought you were sure of.*

— Barbara Ehrenreich

Our September REVIVAL! continues this Sunday with our observance of the Autumnal Equinox with a celebration of Wild Gods of the seasons' change that can teach us the fine art of letting go ... that we might grow.

Come as you are at 10:30 this Sunday morning – either in-person at our new location in Davie (info below) or virtually on Zoom and Facebook Live. Come a bit before and we can chat prior to the service. We'll be watching for you!

In person at:

- **11850 W State Road 84, Suite A9, Davie, FL 33325** ([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>

Upcoming In-Person or Virtual Events - This Sunday:

Sunday, September 22, 2024 - 10:30 AM

River of Grass UU Congregation – “WILD GODS AND LEARNING LETTING GO: The Autumnal Equinox” - Rev. Amy Carol Webb <https://zoom.us/j/961564350?pwd=cFpKY2RtRk4wVE5NbDczdTU5THViQT09>

Faith Development for Kids and Youth:

This Sunday in our Faith Development program for kids and youth, we'll be working on our individual Kindler projects, preparing to present them to the congregation in October. At noon, we will regather at the Color Me Mine studio to create our own chalices.

For more information about our Faith Development program, reach out to our Director, Karen Gonzalez at

ReligiousEducator@RiverofGrassUU.org.

Families are asked to register their children for a new year of Faith Development using the link below.

[REGISTER FOR FAITH DEVELOPMENT 2024-25](#)

Flowing River Sangha meditation on Sunday Mornings

The Flowing River Sangha meets on Sunday mornings at **8:30 AM via Zoom**. Come learn and practice cultivating present-moment awareness with an experienced meditator and group facilitator. Gary Gonzalez has been leading mindfulness meditation groups since 2014. Join us via Zoom at the following link: [Flowing River Sangha Zoom Link](#). We look forward to seeing you there. Peace.

Can you help with Hospitality?

Volunteers are needed to help host our hospitality time. This service to our community includes arriving early to make the coffee and set up our tables, and staying late to help with cleaning up after our guests. All friendly people with a little extra Sunday morning time are welcome. Please reach out to Drea Kelley at Hospitality@RiverofGrassUU.org to let her know you're interested in being a part of this happy team!

Upcoming Events:

- Thursday, Sep 19 - Mindfulness for Today's World at 6:00 pm
- Thursday, Sep 19 - Men's Group
- Saturday, Sep 21 - Yes on 4! Super Saturday at River of Grass from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Sunday, Sep 22 - Flowing River Sangha Meditation at 8:30 am
- Sunday, Sep 22 - Sunday Service at 10:30 am
- Wednesday, Sep 25 - [Virtual Admin Drop in with Sandy from 10:30 am - 12:00 pm](#)
- Thursday, Sep 26 - Focus on abortion: Americans Share Their Stories at UU Miami at 7:00 pm
- Saturday, Oct 5 - NAMI Walk at Nova Southeastern University – Team TsuNAMI and River of Grass Friends
- Saturday, Nov 16 - River of Grass Annual Auction at 6:00 pm

Free “Mindfulness for Today's World” weekly online sessions:

Thursdays 6:00 - 7:00 pm for adults, [zoom link for Thursday at 6 pm](#)

For more information or to register contact Carolyn@InsightInstituteLLC.com or Scott@InsightInstituteLLC.com, or visit <http://www.insightinstitutellc.com/>

RoG Men's Group – We will meet today, Thursday, Sep 19th. We are meeting **in person or via Zoom at 7:00 pm in Suite A9, 595 Park of Commerce:** The official address is 11850 SR 84, Suite A9, Davie, FL 33325. Our optional pre-meeting dinner will be at **Lester's Diner: 1393 NW 136th Ave, Sunrise, FL 33323.** We'll meet there at 5:30 pm. We are a lay-led group that looks to our members for discussion topics. All who identify as male are invited to join us! **Our topic tonight is Acceptance.** We will meet in person or via [Zoom Meeting](#). If you're joining us for dinner, please email Ken Bresnahan, group facilitator, so that he can coordinate space.) For questions: contact Ken; at mensgroup@riverofgrassuu.org.

Virtual Admin Drop-In with Sandy - Have a question for our Office Administrator? Come on and drop in any time between **10:30 am - 12:00 noon every Wednesday on Zoom.**

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88206328735?pwd=Ka6B9096Uyl90Q7wRsacYtb5VxbqsY.1>

Yes on 4! – Sign up for Yes on 4 September Weekend of Action Davie Canvass With River of Grass! <https://mobilize.us/s/vOvYiG> **Saturday, Sep 21st from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.** We will also have 200 postcards to write if you're not able to knock on doors.



River Spiritual Artists or other wannabe creatives

We will gather for our open studio this Saturday, Sep 21st from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at River of Grass (11850 W State Rd 84, A9, Davie, FL 33325). Our Creative, Milton Carp, who studied Dream Catcher creation with Indigenous Shahmen, will bring materials for you to make your own Dream Catchers. And other River Folx will be painting, crafting or creating. So, bring your art or craft supplies and we will create together. Or just come and use our supplies and create spiritually. If you have any questions please contact Steve Jens-Rochow at SpiritualArt@riverofgrassuu.org.



Focus on abortion: Americans Share Their Stories

A traveling exhibit to encourage civil discourse

Don't miss this compelling and timely photo exhibition showcasing portraits by photojournalist and author Roslyn Banish. These portraits highlight the often-overlooked voices of those who have experienced abortion.

WINE & CHEESE RECEPTION: Thursday, Sep 26th from 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Miami: 7701 SW 76 Ave., Miami, FL 33124; www.uumiami.org

Tickets: <https://givebutter.com/FocusOnAbortionMiami>

NAMI Walk on Saturday, Oct 5th – Please join **Team Tsunami** and **River of Grass Friends** to Support **NAMI Broward County** in its mission to provide education, support, and advocacy to everyone in Broward affected by mental illness -- and that's everyone! **MENTAL HEALTH FOR ALL!**

Donate OR Join Our Team Tsunami and Walk With Us on **Saturday, Oct 5th!**

JOIN OR DONATE TO TEAM TSUNAMI

The Walk Event is 8:00 am - noon, with the 5K starting at 9:00 am.

NOVA Southeastern University, 3301 College Avenue, Davie, FL 33314

Step forward on the path to Hope! Thank you!



National Alliance on Mental Illness

River of Grass Soiree Auction

Saturday, Nov 16th from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Theme: "The Love of Giving"

What restaurant do you go to regularly? Do you know the owner of a business? Now is the time to ask for donations. Attached are individual letters that you can print and take to them. Also, this week we will start to put your party date on the calendar. (We already have a couple of requests!) And of course, your donation form is attached to this email. All these forms will be on the auction tab on our [website](http://www.riverofgrassuu.org).

SSJGT, Service and Social Justice Green Team, Green Tip of the Week: Use recycled paper and reduce printing whenever you can. Ask yourself if you really need a hard copy. Print double-sided whenever your printer allows. The trees will thank you!

To see all of the upcoming events at River of Grass, please visit the calendar on our website at riverofgrassuu.org/calendar.html. **River of Grass UU Congregation** is on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/RiverofGrassUU) (LIKE us) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/RiverofGrassUU) (FOLLOW Us). For more information, please contact communityawareness@riverofgrassuu.org.

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Announcements wishing to be sent out in the weekly congregation-wide update should be e-mailed to WeeklyEmail@RiverofGrassUU.org by noon Wednesday. All announcements will pertain to congregational life and affiliated groups and will be for activities or events occurring within two weeks of the e-mail. Outside groups and individuals, wishing to use this vehicle of congregation-wide communication, must have the approval of the Board of Trustees.

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