



# River of Grass

Unitarian Universalist Congregation

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**Welcome** to our River of Grass Family

**Welcome** to our Love; **Welcome Home**

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating  
26 Years

## Juneteenth, 2025

Sunday Service, June 22, 2025



**Summer Solstice: Hold Fast to Summer** Kathy Jens-Rochow

“At the Summer Solstice, all is green and growing,  
potential coming into being, the miracle of manifestation painted large  
on the canvas of awareness.” - Gary Zukay

“Hold fast to summer. Enjoy, with heightened appreciation,  
these still-warm Summer days. Create more memories, take more pictures.

Enjoy a bit of denial. Suck all the summer sweetness out of your  
sun-warmed garden tomatoes. Smile at someone. Squeeze a hand.

Put up some jam or pickles. We store these things up as  
we approach the uncertain seasons.

And our summer companions will be our winter support and sustenance.

In celebration of the changing seasons,  
we gather together in community.” - Ben Soule

## Our Mission

Nurture our spirits; love intentionally; create a just & sustainable world.

Come as you are Sunday morning at 10:30 – either **in-person in Davie** (info below) or **virtually on Zoom or Facebook** (links below).

Come a bit before and we can chat prior to the service. Come to:

- 11850 W State Road 84, Suite A-9, Davie, FL 33325
- Children's & youth's Faith Development at 10:30. Childcare provided.

## Faith Development for Kids & Youth:



Our children and youth are always welcome in our sanctuary on Sunday mornings, where there are quiet activities for them at the Playground table.

Children under the age of 5 are also welcome in our Nursery for supervised care by our attendant, Marimar.

There are no additional classes during the summer.

For more information about our FD program, contact our Director, Karen Gonzalez at [ReligiousEducator@RiverofGrassUU.org](mailto:ReligiousEducator@RiverofGrassUU.org).

## Our Covenant

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.

Worship Service:

<https://zoom.us/j/961564350?pwd=cFpKY2RtRk4wVE5NbDczdTU5THViQT09>

Meeting ID: 961 564 350; Password: 873805

Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/ab3E9JRtb9>

<https://www.facebook.com/riverofgrassuu>

Director of Faith Development

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Meditation:

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



Juneteenth commemorates the ending of slavery in the United States.

June 19, 1865, is the day when General Gordon Granger & the Union Army entered Galveston and ordered the final enforcement of the Emancipation Proclamation.

A **Juneteenth Celebration** will take place at 5:30 p.m. Friday, June 20, before an 8 p.m. Marlon Wayans comedy show at the Coral Springs Center for the Arts, 2855 Coral Springs Drive. The free party includes small bites, a DJ, performances and admission to the Coral Springs Museum of Art. Wayans tickets: [thecentercs.com](http://thecentercs.com).

## Order of Service Sunday, June 22, 2025

Morning Sing Oh, Let Us Gather; Words and Music by RevAmy Carol Webb

Ring of the Chimes Zander Horton-Travera

Prelude Here Comes the Sun; by the Beatles; Words and Music by George Harrison

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Song I Know This Rose Will Open; Words and Music by Mary Grigolia

Chalice Lighting Zander Horton-Travera

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Deepening Music #298 We Laugh, We Cry; Words and Music by Shelly Jackson

Denham

Candles of Community

Stones of Reflection (instrumental interlude)

Pastoral Response

Offering / Offertory

Wisdom Story The Favorite Book by Bethanie Deeney Murguia

Singing the Youth to Class Words and Music by RevAmy Carol Webb

Message Hold Fast to Summer

Closing Words

Closing Music Summertime from Porgy & Bess Music by George Gershwin;

Words by Ira Gershwin and DuBose Howard

Extinguishing Chalice

Announcements for the Life of the Community

Invite to Zoom and Live Hospitality

Sending/Shine on

Music Reprise



# UPCOMING EVENTS

*All email addresses or links are below*

Thursday, June 19, 6pm Zoom

**Mindfulness for Today's World** Carolyn Santangelo and Scott May

Thursday, June 19, 7p, A-9 + Zoom **Men's Group** Ken Bresnahan

Sunday, June 22, 10:30am A-9+Zoom **Summer Solstice Worship Service**

Kathy Jens-Rochow

Sunday, June 22 10:30am A-9 + Zoom

**Children and Youth Faith Development** Karen Gonzalez

Wednesday, June 25 **bUUKies** Zoom Steve and Kathy Jens-Rochow

Thursday, June 26, 6pm Zoom

**Mindfulness for Today's World** Carolyn Santangelo and Scott May

Sunday, June 29, 10:30am A-9+Zoom **General Assembly Worship Service**

Kathy Jens-Rochow

Sunday, June 29 10:30am A-9 + Zoom

**Children and Youth Faith Development** Karen Gonzalez

Thursday, July 3, 6pm Zoom

**Mindfulness for Today's World** Carolyn Santangelo and Scott May

Thursday, July 3, A-9 + Zoom **Men's Group** Ken Bresnahan

Sunday, July 6, 10:30am A-9+Zoom **Interdependence; Climate Justice**

Kathy Jens-Rochow

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**Children and Youth Faith Development** Karen Gonzalez

Carolyn Santangelo & Scott May  
Mindfulness for Today's World

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/551319571?pwd=TDdRdmhML3FoVVEvbnRXRC9qRIJPQT09>

Gary Gonzalez <https://riverofgrassuu.org/sunday-meditation.html>

Worship Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/961564350?pwd=cFpKY2RtRk4wVE5NbDczdTU5THViQT09>

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Men's Group

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# Green Tip of the Week



Wood Desk  
Offered recently

**Getting rid of stuff? Get free stuff!**  
**Use Freecycle.org** to upcycle your household items. Join a local group [Coral Springs, Sunrise, Davie, Weston, Plantation] and offer your unwanted furniture or household items, or request something.

## *From the Church Bulletin*

*These messages actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced at church services. To be read with suitable reverence:*

Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir.  
They need all the help they can get.

To see all of the upcoming events at River of Grass, please visit the calendar on our website [riverofgrassuu.org](http://riverofgrassuu.org)

River of Grass UU Congregation is on FaceBook. For more information, please contact us at [communityawareness@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:communityawareness@riverofgrassuu.org).

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*Announcements wishing to be sent out in this weekly congregation-wide newsletter should be e-mailed to [WeeklyEmail@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto: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. Outside groups and individuals, wishing to use this vehicle of congregation-wide communication, must have the approval of the President. [president@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:president@riverofgrassuu.org)*

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