

River of Grass UU Congregation

October 20, 2024 – 10:30 AM

“Listening to Babes and Sages: A Multigenerational Worship Service”

“Make the world better.”

- Lucy Stone, Unitarian Suffragette

What is love calling you to do? The world needs Unitarian Universalists to show up for justice with spiritual grounding, generosity, humility, courage, and concrete skills. It is a spiritual practice to choose love over fear, to be brave, to show up when we're called, and to occupy space with loving resistance rather than fearful retreat. We are most powerful when we understand that all the issues we care most deeply about are fundamentally interlinked and that each of us has a role to play in building a world in which all people can be free and thrive. When we bring our best selves to our justice work, whichever specific issue or campaign it might be, we are choosing to Side With Love.

Join us on Sunday for inspiration from “babes and sages” as we count down to one of the most consequential elections of our lives. 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>

Karen Gonzalez

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Ringing of the Chimes – Xander Horton-Tavera

Prelude – “Keep Marching” from the Broadway Musical, SUFFS, Shaina Taub VIDEO

Welcome – Maureen Lundell

Call to Worship – “Choose to bless the world!” Rebecca Ann Parker adapted

Theme Hymn – “Keep On Movin Forward” Words & Music: Emma’s Revolution; Performed by: River of Grass Choir; Theo Lucas, Director

Chalice Lighting – Chalice Lighter: Xander Horton-Tavera

We kindle our chalice flame this morning

Awakening the fire of our ancestors in our hearts

Beacon of freedom held out to light the way

Light of reason illuminating the path

Spark of courage igniting our Spirits

Aglow with hope for all we endeavor to do together

Holy flame of times past, brighten this present moment

That we may be the Love that is our center and our foundation, both.

Blessed be. (Tracy Johnson)

Covenant

In the light of love, let us renew our covenant as we say together:

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.

Music #34 – “Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire” Words: Hall Hopson; Music: traditional English melody

Candles of Community

Stones of Reflection

Pastoral Response

Sung Response Music #371, text #381 – Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551; Words: Composite Based on Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

Wisdom Story – “Elizabeth Leads the Way” written by: Tanya Lee Stone; Read by: Karen Gonzalez

Heritage and Hope

Offering – [Sunday Plate Donation](#)

Offertory Music – “Side With Love” Performed by: Gary Gonzalez

Message – “Listening to Babes and Sages” Karen Gonzalez and friends

Closing Music #1018 – “Come and Go with Me” Words & Music: African-American spiritual, slavery period

Closing Words & Extinguish the Chalice

Announcements & Invite to Hospitality

Sending/Shine On

Music Reprise – “Keep Marching”

This Week's Team:

Monthly Theme:	Vision	Audio Tech:	Renatio deMoraes
Worship Chair:	Kathy Jens-Rochow	PPT Builder/Runner:	Steve Jens-Rochow
Worship Leader:	Karen Gonzalez	Chalice Lighter:	Xander Horton-Tavera
Worship Host:	Maureen Lundell	Tech Broadcast:	Kathy Jens-Rochow
Song Leader:	Gary Gonzalez	Ushers:	
Storyteller:	Karen Gonzalez	Office OOS:	Sandy Blair Chibnick
Zoom Host:	Susan Juncosa	Media Librarian:	Brit Lundell