



Celebrating 27 Years

Jon Kitner/Spiritual Art

# 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, June 11, 2026

Sunday Service June 14, 2026

Monthly Worship Theme: Flourishing Together

### Wild and Precious Life

Kathy Jens-Rochow



Kate letters lots

“Life is what happens while you are busy.”

John Lennon

Five members of our congregation: Lauren and Clara Owens, Ben Stiles, Ahysa Boutron and Ed Lewis will share their journeys and plans.

## ***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.

### **Flowing River Sangha with Gary Gonzalez**

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

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



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

This Sunday, our Faith Development kids  
will be making Dream Catchers with Milton Carp.



## **Flourishing Together in June**

**June 7<sup>th</sup> - Flower Power; A Communion**



**June 14<sup>th</sup> - A Wild and Precious Life**

**June 21<sup>st</sup> - Meet the Moment: Together Everywhere**

**June 28<sup>th</sup> - Music is What Love Sounds Like**



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Flowing River Sangha:

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## **Justice Seekers Watch Party**

**Sunday, June 14, 7pm, A-9**

**Live Streaming;**

**Viewing and Networking Party**

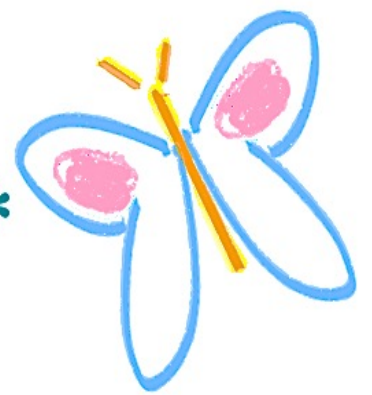
**An Uplifting Evening of Song,  
Solidarity and Action**

*Performances and Appearances by  
Rufus Wainwright, Bette Milder, Patti Smith,  
Julia Roberts, Jane Fonda, Broadway  
Inspirational Voices, Singing Resistance,  
Rude Mechanical Orchestra, Sasha Allen*

*Let's Sing Along as we  
Celebrate Free Speech and Democracy.  
Open to members and friends.  
Bring your own snacks and beverages.*



# We are seeking a Nursery Caregiver\*



To apply, reach out to  
[Personnel@RiverofGrassUU.org](mailto:Personnel@RiverofGrassUU.org)



*\*Job may or may not include  
housekeeping duties.*



*Alligator Alcatraz is scheduled to close soon.*

*No court cases have been settled,  
but Gov DeSantis has decided to relocate all of  
the people who have yet to be deported  
to other detention centers in Florida.*

*The weekly vigils continue as long as people are  
incarcerated there; we gather to send hope & love.  
See Andy Bunce if you'd like to attend one of the  
vigils in the coming weeks.*

The vigils are every Sunday 4-5pm

When we have a group to carpool, we meet at the  
River at 2:15 and depart by 2:30.

Please contact Andy Bunce for carpool details:  
[andrewbunce@att.net](mailto:andrewbunce@att.net)



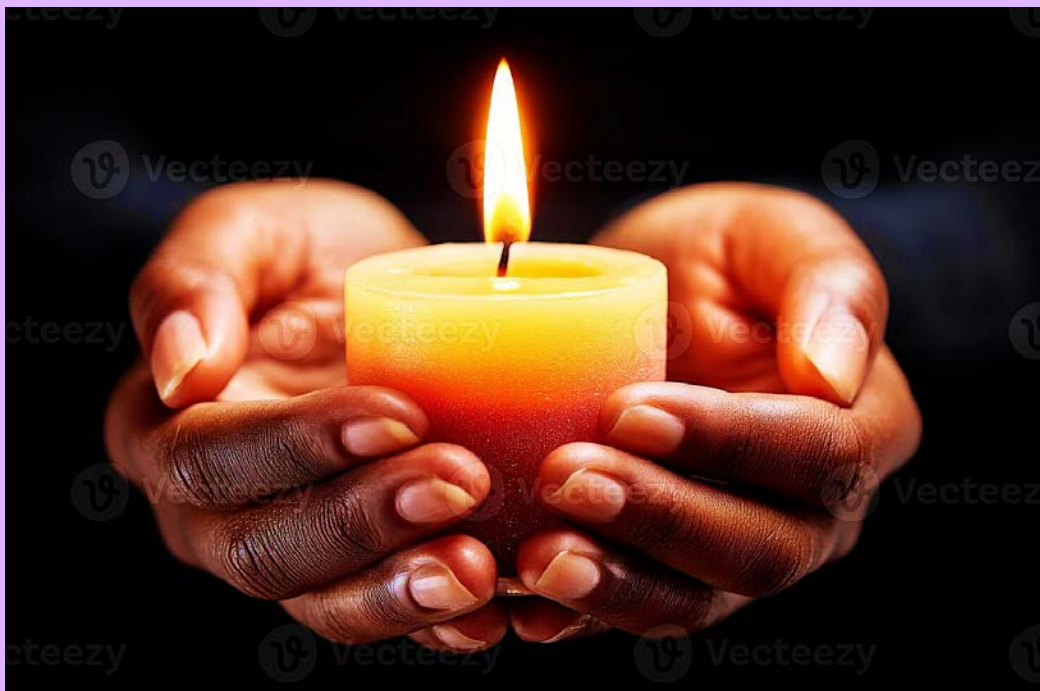
MEET THE MOMENT:  
TOGETHER EVERYWHERE



**Tenth Anniversary**

**June 12, 2016**

**Pulse Day of Remembrance  
for the loss of  
49 people  
in the  
Pulse Nightclub shooting.**





# UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, June 11, 6pm Zoom **Mindfulness for Today's World**  
Carolyn Santangelo and Scott May

Thursday, June 11, 7pm Zoom **mUUvies; Concrete Cowboy**  
Kathy and Steve Jens-Rochow

Sunday, June 14, 8:15am A-9 +Zoom **Flowing River Sangha**  
Gary Gonzalez

Sunday, June 14, 10:30am A-9 + YouTube Livestream **Worship Service - Wild and Precious Life** Kathy Jens-Rochow

Sunday, June 14, 10:30am A-9 **Children's Faith Development**  
Karen Gonzalez

Thursday, June 18, 6pm Zoom **Mindfulness for Today's World**  
Carolyn Santangelo and Scott May

Sunday, June 21, 8:15am A-9 + Zoom **Flowing River Sangha**  
Gary Gonzalez

Sunday, June 21, 10:30am A-9 + YouTube Livestream **Worship Service - Meet the Moment: Together Everywhere Livestream from General Assembly** Robert Smith

Thursday, June 25, 6pm Zoom **Mindfulness for Today's World**  
Carolyn Santangelo and Scott May

Sunday, June 28, 8:15am A-9 +Zoom **Flowing River Sangha**  
Gary Gonzalez

Sunday, June 28, 10:30am A-9 + YouTube Livestream **Worship Service - Music is What Love Sounds Like / Multi Generation**  
Robert Smith, Peter Meerwarth, River of Grass Band

Sunday, June 28, 10:30am A-9 **Children's Faith Development**  
Karen Gonzalez



Carolyn Santangelo & Scott May

Mindfulness for Today's World

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Gary Gonzalez Sangha

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# Order of Service for June 14, 2026

## **Morning Sing**

#1020 Woyaya; Words and Music by Loughy Amoa, Solomon Amarfio et.al.

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

## **Welcome/Ringing of the Chimes**

**Prelude** The wonder of life by Dirk Busch

## **Welcome Cont.**

**Opening Words** The Summer Day by Mary Oliver

**Opening Music** #338 I Seek the Spirit of a Child; Words: Carl G Seaburg,  
Music: Traditional English Melody

## **Chalice Lighting**

*As siblings on this journey*

*We warm one another*

*with our care, our tears, and laughter,*

*Sharing moments of comfort and celebration.*

Tess Baumberger

## **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.*

**Wild & Precious Life Part 1** Lauren and Clara Owens

**Wisdom Story** Woods and Words by Sara Holly Ackerman; Illustrations by  
Naoko Stoop

**Singing the Children to Classes**

## **Offering/Offertory**

**Deepening Music** #123 Spirit of Life; Words and Music by Carolyn McDade

## **Candles of Community**

## **Stones of Reflection**

## **Pastoral Response**

**Musical Response** #371, #381; Music: Genevan Psalter 1551, Words: Isaac  
Watts 1674-1748

**Wild & Precious Life Part 2** Ahysa Bourton and Ed Lewis

**Closing Words** Excerpts from The Manifesto of Encouragement by  
Danielle LaPorte

**Closing Music** What A Wonderful World; Words and Music: George David  
Weiss and Bob Thiele

## **Extinguishing the Chalice**

## **Announcements/Invite to Hospitality**

## **Shine On/Music Reprise**



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and affiliated groups and and will be for activities or  
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