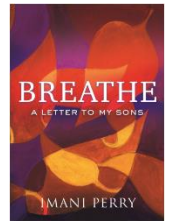


# Announcements

**Faith Development: 12:30:** Pre-K - 1st graders; **1:30 pm:** 2nd - 6th graders; **3:00pm:** Teens. This Sunday our children and youth will be talking about how the work to combat racism can be scary and hard. Building Beloved Community and journeying toward spiritual wholeness isn't easy. The proposed [8th UU Principle](#) invites us to "accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions." Racism has been built up for over [400 years](#). If we want to dismantle it, we must commit to the long haul and the hard work. If you'd like more information about our Faith Development program for children and youth, contact our Director, Karen Gonzalez at [ReligiousEducator@RiverOfGrassUU.org](mailto:ReligiousEducator@RiverOfGrassUU.org).

**Common Read THIS SUNDAY - Feb 28<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm:** Every year the UUA selects a book to be shared by all UU congregations. We've been reading "Breathe: A Letter to My Sons" by Imani Perry these last few weeks. Join the discussion Sunday, Feb. 28 after service at 12:30. Rev. Amy will lead the reflections by our congregation. You don't have to have read the book to participate. E-mail [bUUkies@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:bUUkies@riverofgrassuu.org) in order to receive the Zoom meeting invitation.



**Rev. Amy's upcoming sabbatical:** Rev. Amy's sabbatical will begin March 13, 2021, and end May 09, 2021. She will be back with us for the Annual Meeting on May 9<sup>th</sup>, and back in the pulpit on May 16, 2021. For more information about her sabbatical, please read the attached PDF (Rev Amy sabbatical book.pdf) or check out the information listed on our website: <https://riverofgrassuu.org/rev-amys-sabbatical.html>.

**Registration for Unit One of Building the World We Dream About is now open:** The registration link can be found on our website, on our Facebook page, and [REGISTER HERE FOR BUILDING THE WORLD WE DREAM ABOUT](#).

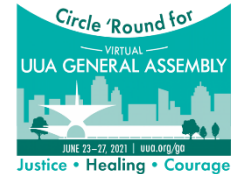
In these first 12 90-minute sessions, we'll focus our gaze inward as we learn about ourselves and begin the work of becoming an antiracist / antioppressive / multicultural faith community. Specific dates and times will be determined by those who register.

Building the World We Dream About is a Unitarian Universalist program that seeks to interrupt the workings of racism and transform how people from different racial/ethnic groups understand and relate to one another. It consists of 24 two-hour workshops, with Taking It Home activities, reflections, and readings to be done between workshops. The program creates opportunities for participants to practice dreaming our world otherwise, and then commit to new, intentional ways of being.

As Unitarian Universalists, we hope developing antiracist, anti-oppressive, and multicultural habits and skills will lead us to build the multicultural world of the beloved community we dream about. Contact Karen Gonzalez at [ReligiousEducator@RiverOfGrassUU.org](mailto:ReligiousEducator@RiverOfGrassUU.org) for more information or to sign up for this transformational experience.

**Why Virtual General Assembly?** General Assembly (commonly referred to as GA) is the annual gathering of Unitarian Universalists, where we conduct business of the Association,

explore the theological underpinnings of our faith, and lean fully into our mission and principles. That remains true even when we cannot gather physically. Last year, GA had more than 4,900 registered attendees participate from remote locations around the world. Although we give up the face-to-face interaction and hugs that are prevalent when we meet in-person, we retain our dedication to community and make our experience more accessible and more environmentally sustainable.



This year River of Grass will fund our three voting delegates, as well as others who are interested in attending. This is a major time commitment but so worth it. Go to <https://www.uua.org/ga> to view agendas and programs being offered. Only voting delegates are expected to attend the business meetings, but all are encouraged to attend. Last year we paid the registration fee for five attendees. With many ROGers attending, we can cover most of the workshops. Attendees will be expected to write a report to the Board. If you are interested in attending, please contact Kathy Jens-Rochow at [president@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:president@riverofgrassuu.org).

**Poetry Service - Apr 25<sup>th</sup>!** Do you enjoy poetry? Members are invited to submit a poem for our annual poetry reading service. The theme is “Becoming”. Poems must be brief (no more than 4 minutes reading time) and in keeping with our UU principles. All poetry must have permission of the author or no known copyright restriction. Send submissions to Zena Tucker or email [membership@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:membership@riverofgrassuu.org). **All poems must be received by Mar 30<sup>th</sup>.**



**Flowing River Sangha - We meet every Tuesday at 7:00 pm. Our next gathering will be on Tuesday, Mar 2<sup>nd</sup> via zoom.** <https://zoom.us/j/201911385>. We will meet from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. This is an open-ended, drop-in group for all levels of meditation experience. Gary Gonzalez [meditation@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:meditation@riverofgrassuu.org).

**Have you heard about our Faith Forward Inquirers Series?** We meet on Wednesdays from 7:30 – 8:30 pm on Zoom, see the schedule below! Faith Forward Inquirers Series is a rotation of seven conversations about our congregation and Unitarian Universalism. The series is designed for visitors and newcomers who are looking for a general introduction, and yet the sessions are appealing to veteran members who want more information about our beloved community. New members and inquirers are encouraged to attend. Classes are not mandatory for membership but are highly recommended! Our next class is scheduled for **Mar 3<sup>rd</sup> and is FF Inquirers #5: Worship & Liturgical Year**. For more information, email Zena Tucker, [membership@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:membership@riverofgrassuu.org). Zoom link for our session is: [ZOOM Link for RoG Inquirers](#).

| Date    | Time           | Event  |
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| 3/3/21  | 7:30 - 8:30 pm | FF Inquirers#5: Worship & Liturgical Year            |
| 3/24/21 | 7:30 - 8:30 pm | FF Inquirers#6: Social Action & Community Service    |
| 3/31/21 | 7:30 - 8:30 pm | FF Inquirers#7: Pastoral Care and Small Groups       |
| 4/7/21  | 7:30 - 8:30 pm | FF Inquirers#8: Membership 101 & Congregational Life |

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| 4/28/21 | 7:30 - 8:30 pm | FF Inquirers#4: Faith Development for Children and Adults |
| 5/5/21  | 7:30 - 8:30 pm | FF Inquirers#5: Worship & Liturgical Year                 |
| 5/12/21 | 7:30 - 8:30 pm | FF Inquirers#1: Q&A with Minister                         |
| 5/26/21 | 7:30 - 8:30 pm | FF Inquirers#6: Social Action & Community Service         |
| 6/2/21  | 7:30 - 8:30 pm | FF Inquirers#7: Pastoral Care and Small Groups            |
| 6/9/21  | 7:30 - 8:30 pm | FF Inquirers#8: Membership 101 & Congregational Life      |

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

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

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

**Young Adults** are now meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays, at 7:30 pm virtually on Zoom – Millennials, Gen Xers, and Gen Zs, are welcome to tune in to the YUUnG Adult Virtual Coffee Hour on **Sunday, Mar 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm**. Our group’s purpose is to foster an inclusive, diverse and intentional community that inspires spiritual growth and connection. Please email [youngadults@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:youngadults@riverofgrassuu.org) if you have any questions and to obtain the zoom details.

**River of Grass New Mailing Address** - We have our post office box and are forwarding all of our mail there now. Our new mailing address is listed on our website as a footer on each page and in the [contact us page](#) if you need to look it up.

**River of Grass UU Congregation, 3225 N Hiatus Rd, Unit 452485, Sunrise, Florida 33345**

**SSJGT, Service and Social Justice Green Team, Green Tip of the Week:** Drive a fuel efficient or electric vehicle. Even a few extra miles per gallon eliminates thousands of pounds of CO2 per year, saves you money, and helps Mother Earth.

**Capital Campaign Contributions:** We have set up several methods for you to make your pledges/contributions to the Capital Campaign. The table below details the various methods, including charges that the River accrues when this payment method is used. We are here to help with any questions you may have. Feel free to contact our office administrator, Sandy Blair Chibnick, via email at [office@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:office@riverofgrassuu.org).

| Monetary Donations         |   |   |
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| Method                     | How   | Processing fees paid by River of Grass        |
| Check                      | Write CC on memo line Mail to River of Grass:<br>3225 N Hiatus Rd, Unit 452485<br>Sunrise, FL 33345 | \$0   |
| Checking account via Vanco | Set up payment on our <a href="#">Donations page</a> . Designate on the Capital Campaign line       | \$0.45 per transaction plus processing fee 1% |
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| Zelle      | Use your bank to set up \$ transfer. Send Zelle<br>payment to <a href="mailto:CapitalCampaign@riverofgrassuu.org">CapitalCampaign@riverofgrassuu.org</a> .   | \$0   |
| Securities | <p>Any questions contact Northstar Financial Planners:<br/><i>Allen Giese, Steve Tepper, or Stacy Saavedra at (954) 693-0030</i></p> <p>Securities should be transferred per instructions from the donor's brokerage or<br/>advisor using the following DTC and A/C numbers as the destination</p> <p><b>#0188 - TD Ameritrade Institutional</b><br/><b>A/C #944110334</b></p> <p><b>RIVER OF GRASS UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION, INC.</b></p> <p>The donor should notify the CC Team and the Office Administrator of the details of<br/>the donation by emailing <a href="mailto:CapitalCapaign@riverofgrassuu.org">CapitalCapaign@riverofgrassuu.org</a>.</p> |   |