

# Announcements

## **Faith Development for Children on Zoom today.**

**12:00 noon:** Mockingbirds (Grades 3-6)

**1:00 pm:** Fireflies (Ages 3-5)

**1:30 pm:** Dragonflies (Grades K-2)

**2:30 noon:** Teens (Grades 7-12)

*Kids are invited to a Faith Development Meetup on Zoom on Sunday. Look for an email from Karen or reach out to her at [religiuseducator@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:religiuseducator@riverofgrassuu.org).*

*These meetups require passwords.*

**Young Adults are meeting every Sunday at 6:30 pm virtually on Zoom** – Millennials, Gen Xers, and Gen Zs, are welcome to tune in to the YUUnG Adult Virtual Coffee Hour on **Sunday, Apr 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**. We are an intentional community of young adults that uplift and inspire each other. We seek to grow together while enjoying life to the fullest. Please email [youngadults@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:youngadults@riverofgrassuu.org) if you have any questions and to obtain the zoom details.

## **WEEK TWO OF THE APD CAMPAIGN... and 72% of responses are in!**

**Rita Cherubini and Kathy Jens-Rochow, Co-Chairs**

### **Annual Prosperity Drive 2020-2021**

If you haven't received our pledge packet, do let us know. Also, the Brochure will be on the website and available very soon. **So, have you been thinking of how you will support River of Grass with your new 2020-2021 pledge?** Your River of Grass Steward has contacted you to discuss your Annual Prosperity Pledge. Please welcome them kindly and be sure to respond to their calls by email or phone.

If you are ready to make a pledge, you will find the pledge card right on our website in a digital version! Go to [www.riverofgrassuu.org](http://www.riverofgrassuu.org). Under Donations, hover over "Donations" and "Stewardship" will be a choice; click on that and the scroll down to the pledge card. Fill in the blanks and Click "Send" and it heads out to the appropriate person at The River. Save postage, delay and a trip to the post office!

Remember, Virtual Worship will be available this Sunday at 10:30. Stay tuned on how to connect! Our Caring team is making calls to everyone...you are never alone at The River!

Thank you for your generosity. You are our beloveds!

**Virtual Earth Day Demonstration** - Unable to have face to face demonstrations for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Earth Day on April 22<sup>nd</sup>? Climate groups around the world are calling for virtual demonstrations. Our local [350.org](http://350.org) South Florida group is asking activists to photograph themselves holding a homemade sign. And then post it on social media and/or send to [350southflorida@gmail.com](mailto:350southflorida@gmail.com) or upload to <https://photos.app.goo.gl/Y2gi5VkegAqgxPJD7>. 350 South Florida will assemble the photos into a giant banner and

then promote them. **They ask that you send the images by Monday, Apr 20<sup>th</sup>.** If you have any questions, please contact Steve Jens-Rochow [SSJGT@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:SSJGT@riverofgrassuu.org).

**Flowing River Sangha – We meet every Tuesday at 7:00 pm. Our next gathering will be on Tuesday, Apr 21<sup>st</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).

**Children's Bedtime Story: Wednesdays at 6:00 pm** - Come meet Dakota and listen to a meaningful bedtime story via Zoom on **Wednesday evenings, Apr 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 pm**. Look for an email from Karen or reach out to her at [religiuseducator@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:religiuseducator@riverofgrassuu.org) for more information.

**Thursday Mindfulness Drop-in 6:00 pm** – How are you doing, and are you tending to any felt anxiety or stress? Are you taking time to pause and check-in with your heart, body and mind? Consider joining tonight's community mindfulness Zoom session every Thursday at 6:00 pm. Our next gathering will be **Thursday, Apr 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm on** <https://zoom.us/j/551319571>. **Note:** This is not a class, just a time to pause and notice, and share with others. Drop in any week. Contact: [Carolyn@insightinstitutellc.com](mailto:Carolyn@insightinstitutellc.com) or [Scott@Insightinstitutellc.com](mailto:Scott@Insightinstitutellc.com).

**River of Grass Men's Group** is open to all men. The Men's Group Men's Group meets via Zoom every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm. Men's Group will also have "checks in" via zoom on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and those months that have a 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday. **Thursday, Apr 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm we will meet on Zoom for a Check-In.** For more info or to obtain the Zoom link, please contact Kip Barkley or Ken Bresnahan [mensgroup@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:mensgroup@riverofgrassuu.org).

**Membership Committee announces: Virtual River Mixer!** Another opportunity to connect with your River peeps. **BYOD potluck Friday, Apr 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**. Bring your own dinner and, while you nosh, chat with others from our River of Grass community. After we eat, join us for “Tips, tricks and just silly” What are you doing to make your stay at home more bearable? Share a funny story from your sequestered time. Register on EventBrite to receive online link and email reminders: <https://www.eventbrite.com/x/river-mixer-tickets-102471683564>. Email Zena or Kathy at [membership@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:membership@riverofgrassuu.org).

**Faith Development – Parents Having Coffee Online** - Parents will join together to share their woes, joys and ahas in a Zoom Room on **Saturday morning, Apr 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am**. Look for an email from Karen Gonzalez [religiuseducator@riverofgrassuu.org](mailto:religiuseducator@riverofgrassuu.org).

**SSJGT, Service and Social Justice Green Team, Green Tip of the Week:** Put an assortment of Tupperware (with lids) in one of your canvas bags and leave in your car. Take it into the restaurant when you go out to eat and use the Tupperware for your take home left-overs rather than use the styrofoam containers the restaurants use.