Announcements

Faith Development: 12:30: Pre-K - 1st graders; **1:30 pm:** 2nd - 6th graders; **3:00 pm:** teens This coming Sunday in our Faith Development classes, our children and youth will be learning about some ways to talk about and celebrate Thanksgiving that are respectful to the Wampanoag Tribe. In this way, we hope to heal some of the hurt this holiday has caused for Indigenous People throughout our country. If you'd like to learn about countering traditional stories of this upcoming holiday, please take a look at our Faith Development Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/RiverOfGrassUUFaithDevelopment) where more information can be found. Contact Karen Gonzalez for more information about our Faith Development program or for links to join a class, ReligiousEducator@RiverofGrassUU.org.

Young Adults are now meeting on the 2nd and 4th 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, Nov 22nd at 7:30 pm. Our purpose is to foster an inclusive, diverse and intentional community that inspires spiritual growth and connection. Please email youngadults@riverofgrassuu.org if you have any questions and to obtain the zoom details.

Flowing River Sangha – We meet every Tuesday at 7:00 pm. Our next gathering will be on Tuesday, Oct 27th 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.

Free "Mindfulness for Today's World" weekly online sessions - Thursdays 6:00 - 7:00 pm for adults; Zoom link for 6pm For more info contact Carolyn@InsightInstituteLLC.com or Scott@InsightInstituteLLC.com, or visit https://www.insightinstitutellc.com.

Project Angel Tree supporting ChildNet:

This year, River of Grass has adopted 75 foster care kids for this holiday season. We are trying to stay safe and yet still be generous and loving with our most vulnerable population.

- We are asking you to choose a child and then purchase one of the requested gift cards and an age appropriate plush toy.
- Our Faith Development children will be creating holiday postcards that we will attach to the toy.
- The gift cards and plush toys can be delivered to Marilisa Lawless's home, as she is the lead on this project.
- Please email Sandy, office@riverofgrassuu.org, for Marilisa's address. They can be mailed or delivered. She has a covered porch and they can be left out front whether she is home or not.
- We are asking that these are at her home by Saturday, Dec 5th.
- <u>The Google Sheet can be viewed by clicking here</u>. Please add your name and contact information to the green column to the right of the child (ren) you choose.

Thank you for always stepping up for River of Grass!

To find out more about ChildNet please check out their website: https://www.childnet.us/ ChildNet has been chosen by the Florida Department of Children & Families to serve as the Community Based Care (CBC) lead agency in both Broward and Palm Beach Counties. As such, it is the single private non-profit entity responsible for managing the local system of services and supports for the communities' most vulnerable children. Their system of care was developed with extensive input from local stakeholders and its effective implementation depends upon their continued support.

The Auction Alternative

"It's coming! It's coming!"

"Holding the Vision" The Auction Alternative

And to kick off the week of online bidding

Saturday, Dec 5th, FUNd Raising Game Night, Bingo and Bidding!

Put your thinking caps on. What would you like to donate? An online game night? There are a large number of games a group can play online. Gift items – jewelry, new household items. The donor will be responsible to deliver the item to the bidder either by mail or contactless delivery. Services – contactless services like oil changes, life coaching session. Email us at auction@riverofgrassuu.org with your donation ideas and items.

River of Grass - Fundraising Mask - Would you like a River of Grass Side with Love Mask? Click here to purchase your River of Grass Unitarian Universalist Congregation Fundraising Mask! Orders will be shipped right to your door without any additional shipping charges! This face mask is machine washable, double ply, and made up of 60% Polyester, 40% Cotton. They cost \$15 each with 3 different sizes available: Adult, Youth 9-15, and Child 3-8. (https://www.fundraisingmasks.org/product-page/river-of-grass-fundraiser)

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 **Dec 2nd and is FF Inquirers #5: Worship & Liturgical Year.** For more information, email Zena Tucker, membership@riverofgrassuu.org. Zoom link for our session is: ZOOM Link for RoG Inquirers.

Date	Time	Event
12/2/20	7:30 - 8:30 pm	FF Inquirers#5: Worship & Liturgical Year
1/6/21	7:30 - 8:30 pm	FF Inquirers#7: Pastoral Care and Small Groups
1/13/21	7:30 - 8:30 pm	FF Inquirers#8: Membership 101 & Congregational Life
1/27/21	7:30 - 8:30 pm	FF Inquirers#6: Social Action & Community Service

2/3/21	7:30 - 8:30 pm	FF Inquirers#1: Q&A with Minister
2/10/2	1 7:30 - 8:30 pm	FF Inquirers#2: Unitarian Universalist History, Principles and Sources
2/24/2	1 7:30 - 8:30 pm	FF Inquirers#4: Faith Development for Children and Adults
3/3/21	7:30 - 8:30 pm	FF Inquirers#5: Worship & Liturgical Year
3/24/2	1 7:30 - 8:30 pm	FF Inquirers#6: Social Action & Community Service
3/31/2	1 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
4/28/2	1 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
5/12/2	7:30 - 8:30 pm	FF Inquirers#1: Q&A with Minister
5/26/2	1 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

SSJGT, Service and Social Justice Green Team, Green Tip of the Week: Purchase energy efficient appliances. When it's time for a new TV, fridge, dishwasher, washer, dryer or AC, look for the Energy Star (r) rating. It ensures an energy efficient green product. Even if it costs more up front, it will save money on your electric bill, reducing the pollution created to provide electricity to your home.

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 <u>contact us page</u> if you need to look it up.

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