

# **River of Grass Unitarian Universalist Congregation**

## **Love-stream Worship!**

**October 18, 2020 – 10:30 am**

### **Listening to the Dark**

#### **Unexpected Answers in Unexpected Places**

Answers. We want them.

From day one, in the best of times. And in the worst of times?

Answers. We want them. Now.

But sometimes we may not know where to look and  
or recognize an answer when we see it.

As we continue our month-long exploration of the meanings and ways of Deep Listening, we'll consider daring to look for unexpected answers in unexpected places -- and recognize them whenever, and wherever, we may find them.

Come as you are to gather with us for this Sunday's love-streamed service, remembering only the medium is virtual; the connections, the love, the spirit are real. Following the service, we will share virtual Hospitality time with a live chat and small groups where we can relish each other's beautiful faces and voices together once again.

If you need some support getting settled after logging into our Worship Zoom Meeting, we will have folx "in the room" at 10:00 to help. Then, as we always do, at 10:30, we will ring the chimes and gather in spirit if not in body, then follow our service with Virtual Hospitality, greeting one another right there in our Zoom screen.

Gather with us from your computer, laptop, tablet, smartphone with video and audio or just audio; or audio only from a basic phone at the connections below -- this information also at [riverofgrassuu.org](http://riverofgrassuu.org):

#### **Topic: Worship October 18, 2020**

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>

We'll be watching for you, and happier than ever to see you!

Rev. Amy Carol Webb

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## Unexpected Answers in Unexpected Places

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Order of Service

**Oh, Let Us Gather**

**Welcome**

**Opening Words**

**Reading**

**Theme Hymn** – “Circle ‘Round for Freedom” Words & Music: Linda Hirschhorn

**Chalice Lighting**

*Acquainted once more with darkness,*

*We learn again*

*We are light.*

*Feeling our way once more through shadows of change,*

*We learn again,*

*We are light.*

*Finding ourselves once more in the comfort and power of community,*

*We learn again,*

*We are light.*

*Understanding once more that without the dark*

*There can be no dawn*

*Without change*

*There can be no new way*

*Without one another*

*We so soon forget,*

*We are light.*

*We are light.*

*We are light.*

**Covenant**

*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.*

**Song** – “Voice Still and Small” Words & Music: John Corrado

**Candles of Community**

**Pastoral Response**

**Thank You!**

**Offering Hymn** – “Building A New Way” Words & Music: Martha Sandefer

**Offering** – Give digitally and via text: <https://riverofgrassuu.org/donations.html>

**Wisdom Story** – “Crow Boy” Written by Taro Yashima; Read by: Rob Giblin-Davis

**Capital Campaign Testimonial** – Ken & Leana Bresnahan

**Song** – “La Campaña” Words by Aaron Stang; Song parody based on “La Grange” by ZZ Top

**Growing Our Beloved Community**

**Message** – “Listening to the Dark” – Rev. Amy Carol Webb

**Song** – “Sounds of Silence” Words and music: Paul Simon; sung by: Relative Viewpoint

**Extinguish Chalice**

**Closing Words**

**Carry the Flame**

**Hospitality Connection**