River of Grass Unitarian Universalist Congregation

Love-stream Worship! March 7, 2021 – 10:30 am

Commitment: Neither Miles nor Time

One year later ... how would you finish that sentence? This Sunday, I'll finish it like this: One year later, I know the true meaning of "commitment" as we have shown each other what it is to commit ourselves to one another, to River of Grass' mission and vision, to the power of Beloved Community, to the calling of this remarkable faith tradition we journey through together. One year later, I know more than ever how love fuels our lives, how hope lights our way, how our commitment to this congregation and to one another and to re-making the world toward justice feeds our souls. It's the kind of commitment neither miles nor time can diminish or deny.

On this first Sunday of our month exploring what it means to be a People of Commitment, and renew our bonds through the opportunities of my sabbatical restoration, 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.

Follow the link below to join us in Zoom – or if you'd like, we'll be simulcasting on our Facebook page. Tune in there for the service, then log onto our Zoom link for hospitality time afterward. And now that we have a larger Zoom space ready to welcome all who will join us from over this world – who will we meet this week?

Sunday morning, gather with us at the River – on your computer, your tablet, your phone (with video or only audio if you like, we'll miss your face!) -- just click or dial into our River of Grass Meeting Room at the link or numbers below. We'll be watching for you!

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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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Oh, Let Us Gather

Welcome

Reading

Theme Hymn – "Step by Step the Longest March" Words from the preamble to the Constitution of United Mine Workers of America; Music: Traditional Irish Melody; Performed by: Rev. Amy Carol Webb

Chalice Lighting

For all that lies behind

For all that lies before

For all that lies within

We kindle this flame

To light the way. (Webb)

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.

Hymn – "There Is a Love" Words & Music: Elizabeth Norton & Rev Rebecca Parker; Arranged by: Gary Gonzalez; Performed by: River of Grass Virtual Choir

Candles of Community

Pastoral Response

Thank You!

March Birthdays!

Offering Hymn – "Bridge over Troubled Water" Words & Music: Paul Simon; Performed and Arranged by: Aaron Stang

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

Wisdom Story – "The Carrot Seed" Written by: Ruth Krauss, Illustrated by: Crockett Johnson; Told by: Diane Lade

Music Meditation – "Solace" by Amy Carol Webb, used with permission

Message – Commitment: Neither Miles nor Time – Rev. Amy Carol Webb

Closing Music – "With You Without You" Words: Gordon Light; Music: Mark A. Miller; Performed by: River of Grass Virtual Choir

Extinguish Chalice

Closing Words

Carry the Flame

Hospitality Connection