

# **River of Grass Unitarian Universalist Congregation**

**Love-stream Worship!**

**June 6, 2021 – 10:30 am**

## **Seeking the Spirit of a Child: A Flower Ceremony**

**(aka: From the Toolbox to the Toybox)**

This Sunday we seek the spirit of a child to launch our June theme of “Play” with our annual Flower Ceremony (2<sup>nd</sup> annual virtual) celebrating the beauty and joy in all their expressions with us and through us. As we see re-emergence from this pandemic year on the horizon, how have we changed? How has our world changed? How do we bring our changed selves into this changed world? What might it mean to approach it with the spirit of a child? We’ve added, and will keep adding, so much new and necessary to our toolbox. What about our toybox?

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!

### **Topic: Worship June 6, 2021**

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>

~ Rev. Amy Carol Webb

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**Oh, Let Us Gather**

**Welcome**

**Reading**

**Theme Hymn**

**Chalice Lighting**

*We light our chalice today  
for our hearts always reaching for hope  
Like flowers always reaching for the Sun,  
That we may keep our faces always turned  
Toward the warmth and light of Truth. (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.*

**Deepening Hymn** – “I Know This Rose Will Open” words & music: Mary E. Grigolia; played by Renato DeMoraes

**Candles of Community**

**Pastoral Response**

**Thank You!**

**Birthdays!**

**Offering Hymn** – “Nothing Else to Do” Music: Amy Carol Webb -

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**Wisdom Story** – “The Flower Ceremony” from Tapestry of Faith, told by Rob Giblin-Davis

**Music Meditation** – “I Seek the Spirit of a Child” words: Carl G. Seaburg; music: traditional English melody; piano, Brenda Parker; sung by Sarah Gonzalez (with special appearance by Wesley)

**Message** – “Seeking the Spirit of a Child” - Rev. Amy Carol Webb

**Closing Music** – “The Rose”- Flower Ceremony Video, Words & Music: Amanda McBroom; performed by Rev. Amy Carol Webb

**Extinguish Chalice**

**Hospitality Connection**