

River of Grass UU Congregation

June 19, 2022 – 10:30 am

The Complex Feelings of Father's Day

“May we be grateful for the nurturing we have received in our lives, from sources both hidden and obvious. May we heal from the losses highlighted by Father’s Day. May we nurture each other and the generations to come. May the friendship and love we have in our lives today ease the pain and amplify the positive memories of our past. May this be a day of reconciliation and peace.”

-Rev. Lyn Cox

Sunday’s worship service focuses on exploring and celebrating Father’s Day, with all the complex emotions it brings.

Holidays are complicated, especially the ones named after roles. Human relationships are messy, including relationships with people who are honored by holidays.

For a lot of people, Father’s Day brings up feelings of grief for fathers who were lost, or who couldn’t be there, or who chose not to be there.

Father’s Day might bring up feelings of sorrow or regret for people who want(ed) to be fathers and haven’t been able to, or who haven’t been able to be the fathers they wanted to be for their kids.

On the other hand, Father’s Day can be joyful and sweet, remembering the times when dads or granddads or role models were there for us.

We will come together to recognize all the complex feelings of Father’s Day and to find reconciliation and peace.

Follow the Zoom link below to gather with us virtually in Zoom. Catch us on Facebook live on our facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/riverofgrassuu>.

Come as you are – we’ll be watching for you! We welcome you on Sunday morning at 10:30. Come a bit before and we can Chat prior to the service... See you then!

We’ll be live on Zoom at the link below, as well as on our facebook page.

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>

Rob Giblin-Davis

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Oh, Let Us Gather

Welcome

Call to Worship

Chalice Lighting

Theme Hymn – “How Could Anyone” Words & Music: Libby Roderick

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.

Music – “Lean on Me” Words & Music: Bill Withers

Candles of Community

Response

Thank you

Offering – <http://riverofgrassuu.org/donations.html>

Wisdom Story – “Daddy Poems” by: John Micklos; Read by: Diane Diaz

Meditation – “Fathering Words” by: Rev. Myke Johnson

Message – “The Complex Feelings of Father’s Day” by: Ryan Urie; led by: Rob Giblin-Davis

Music – “Love is the Water” Words & Music: Pat Wiktor; Sung by: Rev. Amy Carol Webb

Announcements

Closing Words

Extinguishing the Chalice

Sending/Shine On

Welcome to Hospitality