

River of Grass UU Congregation

October 8, 2023 – 10:30 AM

Circling, Spiraling, Sacred: First Nations Day

We are circling, circling together. We are singing, singing our heart song.

This is family, this is unity, this is celebration.

This is sacred.

– Buffy Sainte-Marie

Amidst the circles and spirals of life, the places all our circles interjoin, the places our moment in history spirals with all other moments in history, join us as we gather this Sunday to honor the First Nations of the world and of our land – in music, in verse, in ritual ... in beauty.

Come as you are – either in-person at the Old Davie Schoolhouse Auditorium or virtually on Zoom. We welcome you on Sunday morning at 10:30. Come a bit before and we can Chat prior to the service... We'll be watching for you!

In person at:

- Our Sunday morning rental space is located at the Old Davie Schoolhouse
- 6650 Griffin Road, Davie, FL 33314 ([Click for Directions](#))
- Service will begin at **10:30 AM**
- Childcare will be provided.

Use the Zoom link below to gather with us virtually in Zoom. Catch us on Facebook live 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>

Rev. Amy Carol Webb

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Prelude – “Circle Game” Words & Music: Joni Mitchell; Performed by: Cecilia Roy, piano

Welcome

Call to Worship – “Eagle Poem” by: Joy Harjo

Opening Hymn #396 – “I Know this Rose will Open” Words & Music: Mary E. Grigolia; Performed by:
Cecilia Roy, piano

Chalice Lighting

*Flame of fire, spark of the universe
that warmed our ancestral hearth –
agent of life and death,
symbol of truth and freedom.*

We strive to understand ourselves and our earthly home.

(Leslie Pohl-Kosbau)

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 Music #155 – “Circle Round for Freedom” Words & Music: Linda Hirschhorn; Performed
by: Cecilia Roy, piano

Candles of Community

Pastoral Response

Heritage & Hope

Offering Music – “Circle of Life” Words & Music: Elton John; Performed by: Cecilia Roy, piano

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

Birthday Video

Wisdom Story – “She Sang Promise: The Story of Betty Mae Jumper, Seminole Tribal
Leader” Words by: Jan Godown Annino; Illustrated by: Lisa Desimini; Read by: Rev. Amy Carol Webb

Singing Youth to Class – “We Love You and Bless You” Words & Music: Rev. Amy Carol Webb

Message – “Circling, Spiraling, Sacred: First Nations Day” Rev. Amy Carol Webb

Closing Music – “We Are Circling” Words & Music: Buffy Sainte Marie; Performed by: Cecilia Roy, piano

Announcements

Closing Words

Extinguish Chalice

Shine On

Invite to Hospitality