River of Grass UU Congregation February 25, 2024 – 10:30 AM

When the Obstacle Becomes the Way

The impediment to action advances action. – Marcus Aurelius

Quod Obstat Viae Fit Via, the Stoics said 2,000 years ago – what stands in the way becomes the way. Any time an obstacle blocks the path we mean to take, we must ask ourselves whether we are to make our way over, under, around, or through it – or choose another path. No matter the answer to that quandary, we are changed in the process. What does that mean for us as persons, as communities ... as this River of Grass Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Davie in the year 2024? How may the obstacles in our way have become our way?

Gather with us to explore the possibilities, as we conclude February's theme of "Belonging" this Sunday at 10:30! – either in-person at the Old Davie Schoolhouse Heritage Hall or virtually on Zoom. Come a bit before and we can Chat prior to the service... See you then!

In person at:

- Our Sunday morning rental space is located at the Old Davie Schoolhouse
- 6650 Griffin Road, Davie, FL 33314 (<u>Click for Directions</u>)
- 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 <u>facebook page</u>.

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 – "Time After Time" Words & Music: Cindy Lauper; Performed by: Cecilia Roy, piano

Welcome - Kathy Jens-Rochow

Call to Worship #443 – "We Arrive Out of Many Singular Rooms" Written by: Patton

Theme Hymn – "Where You Go (I Will Go)" Words & Music: Shoshana Jedwab; Performed by: River of Grass choir; Gary Gonzalez

Chalice Lighting

We gather this hour as a people of faith With joys and sorrow, gifts and needs. We light this beacon of hope, Sign of our quest For truth and meaning, In celebration of the life we share together (Christine Robinson)

Covenant

In the light of love, let us renew our covenant as we say together:

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 #1053 – "How Could Anyone" Words & Music: Libby Roderick; Performed by: Cecilia Roy, piano

Candles of Community

Stones of Reflection

Pastoral Response

Sung Response Music #371, text #381 – Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551; Words: Composite Based on Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

Heritage and Hope

Offering - http://riverofgrassuu.org/donations.html

Offering Music – "For All That Is Our Life" Words: Bruce Findlow; Music: Patrick L. Rickey; Performed by: Cecilia Roy, piano

Wisdom Story – "The Opposite of Genius" Told by: Karen Gonzalez

Singing Youth to Class – "We Love You and Bless You" Words & Music: Rev. Amy Carol Webb **Message** – "When the Obstacle Becomes the Way" Rev. Amy Carol Webb

Closing Music #168 – "One More Step" Words & Music: Joyce Poley; Performed by: Cecilia Roy, piano **Announcements**

Closing Words

Extinguish Chalice

Shine On

Invite to Hospitality

Music Reprise