River of Grass UU Congregation

March 17, 2024 - 10:30 AM

Scatter Seeds: A Vernal Equinox Celebration

If we reap just what we sow,
Let us scatter seeds of the love we're give
Scatter seeds and watch kindness grow.

– Amy Carol Webb

Sometimes 'round South Florida, where things are mostly always green with something or other in bloom all of our days, we can accidentally overlook the astonishing wisdom of Spring and all it means to life on our planet – and *in* us. This Sunday, we'll consider the power of seeds – of potential, of nurturing, of the "ish-ness" of it all -- what kinds of seeds we ourselves are planting – and what kinds of seeds we ourselves **are**.

Come as you are, in person or on Zoom and Facebook Live this Sunday at 10:30 to continue March's theme of "Awakening" with a celebration of the Vernal Equinox!

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 – "Scatter Seeds" Words & Music: Amy Carol Webb; Performed by: Amy Carol Webb

Welcome – Leana Bresnahan

Call to Worship – "Greeting the Spring: An Elemental Invocation" Written by: David Ensley

Theme Hymn #396 – "I Know This Rose Will Open" Words & Music: Mary E. Grigolia; Performed by:

River of Grass choir; Theo Lucas, Director

Chalice Lighting

On this day of equal light and darkness

as Father Sun claims Mother Earth once more

we light this flame

for life renewed

for hope reborn

for the return again

of Spring. (Webb)

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 #21 – "For the Beauty of the Earth" Words: Folliott Sandford Pierpoint; Music: Conrad Kocher

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 – Sunday Plate Donation

Offering Music – "Lady of the Seasons' Laughter" Words: Kendyl L. R. Gibbons; Music: David Hurd

APD Testimonial

THANK YOU

Wisdom Story - "ish"

Message – "Scatter Seeds: A Vernal Equinox Celebration" Rev. Amy Carol Webb

Closing Music - "Olam Chesed Yiboneh" Words & Music: Rabbi Menachem Creditor

Announcements

Closing Words

Extinguish Chalice

Shine On

Invite to Hospitality & Music Reprise