

# **River of Grass Unitarian Universalist Congregation**

## **Love-stream Worship!**

**January 24, 2021 – 10:30 am**

## **Let Go / Lift Up: Bending the Arc 2**

Each January we share a Ritual of Release and Affirmation to let go of things we wish to leave behind – behaviors, ideas, habits, fears, regrets, illusions that no longer serve us, that weigh us down and hold us back – and then affirm those things we wish to carry forward, to cultivate, to amplify and magnify in our lives in this new year.

Join us on Zoom or Facebook Live for this Sunday's love-streamed service, to Let Go and Lift Up as we continue to bend the arc of the Universe toward justice. 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.

### **Topic: Worship January 24, 2020**

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>

We'll be watching for you, and happier than ever to see you!

Rev. Amy Carol Webb

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## Order of Service

**Oh, Let Us Gather**

**Welcome**

**Reading**

**Theme Hymn** – “Gathered Here” Words & Music: by Philip A. Porter; Brenda Parker, piano

**Chalice Lighting**

*We light this candle for strength  
for determination  
for courage, for faith  
that by our own lives  
the unwavering flame of justice  
shall reach the far corners  
of every human heart. (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.*

**Hymn** – “Building a New Way” Words/Music: Martha Sandefer; Brenda Parker, piano; Amy Carol Webb, vocals

**Candles of Community**

**Pastoral Response**

**Thank You!**

**Offering Hymn** – “Building a New Way” Music: Martha Sandefer; Brenda Parker, piano

**Offering** – Give digitally and via text: <https://riverofgrassuu.org/donations.html>

**Wisdom Story** – “Brick by Brick” Written by: Charles R. Smith; read by: Karen Gonzalez

**Music Meditation** – “Come Tomorrow” Words & Music: Dave Matthews and Marc Batson; Performed by:

Gary Gonzalez and Emily Gonzalez

**Message Part 1** – Let Go / Lift Up: Bending the Arc 2 – Rev. Amy Carol Webb

**Let Go / Lift Up Ritual**

**Message Part 2** -- Let Go / Lift Up / Speak Out -- Rev. Amy Carol Webb

**Poet Prophets Speak** -- “Inaugural Poets Mash Up,” Rev. Karen G. Johnson

**Message Part 3** -- Let Go / Lift Up / As long as we are here -- Rev. Amy Carol Webb

**Closing Music** – “As Long As We Are Here” Music: Jake Runestad; Words: Todd Boss (after Rainer Maria

Rilke); Performed by: the Master Chorale of South Florida, Brett Karlin, Director; Used with permission

**Extinguish Chalice**

**Closing Words**

**Carry the Flame**

**Hospitality Connection**