

River of Grass UU Congregation

December 3, 2023 – 10:30 AM

What Will You Do With Your One Wild & Precious Life

“Tell me, what else should I have done?
Doesn't everything die at last, and too soon?
Tell me, what is it you plan to do
with your one wild and precious life?”
-Mary Oliver

This Sunday we are delighted to hear from three new members who will speak of their journeys to become who they are or even who they want to be. This service is a beloved tradition and opens thinking by the presenters and the listeners of how and why we participate in this world. Opportunity or tragedy brings about change and how do we respond. Ask yourself the question, What will you do with your one wild and precious Life?

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>

Rita Cherubini

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River of Grass – December 3, 2023 – Order of Service

Prelude – “Lean on Me” Words & Music: Bill Withers; Performed by: Cecilia Roy

Welcome – Leana Bresnahan

Call to Worship

Theme Hymn #327 – “Joy, Thou Goddess” (V1 & 2) Words: Friedrich Schiller; Music: Ludwig van Beethoven; Performed by: River of Grass choir; Gary Gonzalez; and Cecilia Roy

Chalice Lighting – by: Allison Ehrman

*A single flame can warm a room,
A single word can calm a fear.
A single smile can lift a heart,
A single touch can heal a wound.
As the light replaces the darkness,
Let us rejoice together in its rebirth.*

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 – “Dust in the Wind” Words & Music: Kerry Livgren; Performed by: Cecilia Roy

Candles of Community

Stones of Reflection – “There’s a River Flowin’ in My Soul” Words & Music: Rose Sanders;

Performed by: Cecilia Roy

Pastoral Response

Sung Response

*From all that dwell below the skies
let songs of hope and faith arise;
let peace, good will on earth be sung
through every land, by every tongue.*

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

Offering Music – “Got To Get You Into My Life” Words & Music: John Lennon and Paul McCartney;

Performed by: Cecilia Roy

December Birthdays

Wisdom Story – “In Every Life” Written by: Maria Frazee; Read by: Karen Gonzalez

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

Music – “Get Me Through December” Words & Music: Fred Lavery and Gordie Sampson; Performed by:

Alison Krauss with Natalie MacMaster; [Video](#)

Message – “What Will I Do With My One Wild & Precious Life” Leana Bresnahan, Bill Garside-Foy, Andy Perez (read by: Rita Cherubini)

Closing Music – “All You Need Is Love” Words & Music: John Lennon and Paul McCartney; Performed
by: Cecilia Roy

Announcements

Closing Words

Extinguish Chalice – by: Allison Ehrman

As we leave this gathering,

Let us carry this warmth,

Let us share this light.

May the flame grow deep within us.

May the world be transformed by our brilliance,

As we're fortified by the sun's triumphant return.

So may it be.

Shine On

Invite to Hospitality

Music Reprise – “All You Need Is Love” Words & Music: John Lennon and Paul McCartney; Performed
by: Cecilia Roy