

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH, 2017

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candle Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candle Cards are collected until the end of greetings.

PRELUDE

Piano Sonata D. 958, II. Adagio *Franz Schubert* (1797 - 1828)
Xuan He, piano

INTROIT

Rytmus *Ivan Hrusovsky* (1927 - 2001)

Ave Eva	Be greeted Eve,
fons amoris,	you source of love,
tu regina venustatis.	you are the queen of nobleness.

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

*HYMN 38

Morning Has Broken

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary *John W. Thompson* and *Randy Scruggs* (b. 1953)
text adapted: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*
music arranged: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Open my heart to be a sanctuary
All made holy, loved and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit	El amor es el espíritu
of this congregation,	de nuestra congregación
And service is our gift.	Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.
This is our great covenant:	Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:
To dwell together in peace,	Convivir en paz,
To speak our truths in love,	Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,
And to help one another.	Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

*HYMN 1064

Blue Boat Home

SERMON

The Whole Thoreau: Contact! *Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie*

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

The Wisdom of the Moon text: *Jan Richardson* (b. 1967)
music: *Susan LaBarr* (b. 1981)

I love the sun,
its revealing brilliance,
its lingering warmth;
but in the lean dark of night,
let me learn
the wisdom of the moon,
how it waxes and wanes
but does not die,
how it gives itself
to shadow,
knowing it will emerge whole
once more.

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 288 years, the abundant support of our community has allowed Arlington Street Church to remain a beacon for liberal religious values in downtown Boston. Your gifts in the Sunday plate sustain both the church and the larger community – half of the offering is shared



with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. As a convenient option, you may text the word GIVE to 617-300-0509 or scan the QR code.

Thank you for your stewardship and support!

OFFERTORY

Beati Quorum Via text: *Psalm 119:1-8*
music: *Charles Villiers Stanford* (1852 - 1924)

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 116

I'm On My Way

About Today's Musical Ensemble:

Crepusculum is a student-run chamber choir. Members attend the Berklee College of Music and other schools in the Boston area. Crepusculum (Latin for “twilight”) strives for the perfect blending of light and dark voices.

**You are invited to stand as you are willing and able.*

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

***RECESSIONAL** *(sung twice; please join in!)*

When You Walk From Here text: *Linnea Good*
music: *Tom Witt*, arranged: *Mark David Buckles*

*When you walk from here, When you walk from here,
Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, walk humbly in God's care.*

POSTLUDE

Prelude for Organ *Fanny Mendelssohn (1805 - 1847)*
Xuan He, organ

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

For today's intergenerational worship, children and youth are invited to sit with their families or join Erica and Dan in the balcony to enjoy the service with sermon bingo, coloring, and some of our favorite stuffed animal friends. Kids will head up to the balcony as we sing Morning Has Broken and return during our closing hymn, I'm On My Way.

Lena is available in the nursery to care for babies and small children. To find the nursery, go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit and cross through the chapel. The nursery is on your left before the stairs.

November Share the Plate: Only a Child

Only a Child, founded in Guatemala City in 1994 by Arlington Street member George Leger, maintains a shelter and carpentry shop and insures an education for street kids.

The shelter, housing up to a dozen guys at a time, is far more than a place to sleep; it provides a surrogate family in which the youth are taught responsibility and accountability and develop confidence and self-esteem.

All of them work, many in the on-site shop, where they learn carpentry skills and produce finely crafted cedar boxes they sell to support the program.

They also go to school. In a bid to maximize the kids' chances to leave the streets once and for all, we sponsor their tuition at high-quality independent schools and at university.

Thank you for your generosity!

Beth Robbins, Interim Director of Family Ministry; Mark David Buckles, Director of Music; and the Arlington Street Choir are off today. They look forward to seeing you next week for Thanksgiving Sunday!