

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH, 2019

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

Nocturne in B-flat minor Op. 9, No. 1 *Frédéric Chopin* (1810 - 1849)

Nocturne in E-flat Major Op. 9, No. 2

Kelly Lenahan, piano

INTROIT

Alleluya *Gustav Holst* (1874 - 1934)

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

*HYMN 1000

Morning Has Come

1. Morning has come, arise and greet the day! Dance with joy and sing a song of gladness! The light of hope here shines upon each face. May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

2. A new day dawns, once more the gift is giv'n. Wonder fills this moment shared together. The light of peace here shines upon each face. May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

3. Open our eyes to see that life abounds; open hearts to welcome it among us. The light of love here shines upon each face. May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Longtime Sun *Mike Heron* (b. 1942)

from *A Very Cellular Song* arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

May the long - time_ sun shine up - on_ you,
All_____ love sur - round you, And the pure_____
light with - in_ you guide_____ your way
on, guide_____ your way on.

*At this time, all children are welcome to leave
with Rev. Erica Rose Long!*

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

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary *John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs (b. 1953)*
adaptation: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*
arrangement: *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 300

With Heart and Mind

1 With heart and mind and voice and hand may we this time and place transcend to make our purpose understood: a mortal search for mortal good, a firm commitment to the goal of justice, freedom, peace for all.

2 A mind that's free to seek the truth; a mind that's free in age and youth to choose a path no threat impedes, wherever light of conscience leads. Our martyrs died so we could be a church where every mind is free.

3 A heart that's kind, a heart whose search makes Love the spirit of our church, where we can grow, and each one's gift is sanctified, and spirits lift, where every door is open wide for all who choose to step inside.

SERMON

Wholehearted Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Signature text: *Rev. Jacob Trapp (1899 - 1992)*
music: *Keith J. Arnold (b. 1969)*

Julie Metcalf, violin

We awaken to the sun's glory of light
praising you in the morning.
You are the blue dome above,
the limitless sky beyond.

You are the warmth that embraces mother earth,
the rain that quenches her thirst
and gives renewal of life to all her children.

You are the brightness of sunlit leaves,
the shade under a cool canopy of trees,
the congregation of great rocks, giving strength,
among which we stand steadfast.

You are the stillness in the mountain,
the corresponding stillness in us
deeper than all stirrings of self.
You are the mesas and cliffs
from which birds dart down and sing.
You are the wings, the singers, and the song.
You are the list'ning world.
Your signature is the beauty of all things.

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 289 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 (all texted gifts support the church operations) or scan the QR code. *Thank you for your stewardship and support!*

OFFERTORY

A Living Prayer text and music: *Ron Block* (b. 1964)
recording: *Alison Krauss* (b. 1971)

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN

Life Calls Us On text: *Rev. Kendyl Gibbons* (b. 1955)
music: *Rev. Jason Shelton* (b. 1972)
Please see insert for lyrics.

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

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

Where You Go (I Will Go) *Shoshana Jedwab* (b. 1964)
choral arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Where you go I will go, beloved
Where you go I will go
Where you go I will go, beloved
Where you go I will go
'Cause your people are my people
Your people are mine
Your people are my people
Your divine, my divine

POSTLUDE

Polonaise in A Major Op. 40, No. 1 *Frédéric Chopin* (1810 - 1849)
Kelly Lenahan, piano

Today in Family Ministry

After the Children's Blessing, Rev. Erica and our children will gather in the Perkins Room for a chalice lighting, a song, meditation, and joys and sorrows. Then they will continue their exploration of the Hebrew Bible with the story of David and Goliath. What can we learn from this story and how can it remind us to be courageous in the face of a BIG challenge? The children will return to the sanctuary at the end of the service to join the Arlington Street Choir for the Recessional.

If you have arrived with a baby or small child who becomes restless, you are welcome to enjoy the nursery/playroom. Go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit and cross through the chapel. The nursery will be on your left before the stairs. The service is piped in for your listening pleasure!

Following the service, our Coming of Age Group will meet in the Program Room from 12:30-2:00pm.

March Share the Plate: Rise Against Hunger

For the sixth year in a row, we are teaming up with Rise Against Hunger to advance their powerful mission of eradicating world hunger by 2030!

On the afternoon of May 5th, we are transforming the Parish Hall into an all-ages assembly line. In just a few hours, we will package rice, soy, dehydrated vegetables, and vitamins into an astonishing 20,088 meals. To be successful, this event requires our participation in packing the meals as well as a significant financial investment. Please give generously to ensure that we can meet our goal of sending love and nourishment to some of the world's most vulnerable people.

Thank you for your generosity!