

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, MARCH 27TH, 2022

COVENANT RENEWAL SUNDAY!

*Today, Arlington Street members and friends
renew our Great Covenant to love and service
and make financial pledges to sustain our beloved spiritual community.*



PRELUDE

Improvisation

Andrew Stack, piano

WELCOME Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Senior Minister

INTROIT Arlington Street Church Choir

The Sixth Principle *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Bek Zehr, congas

We believe in world community with peace, liberty, and justice. Amen.

CHALICE LIGHTING

Covenant Renewal: #NoMatterWhat Sharon Gentges and Alden MacNulty

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

GREETINGS Lucy Humphrey, Worship Coordinator

***HYMN 1010**

We Give Thanks *Rev. Wendy Luella Perkins* (b. 1966)

arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Oh, we give thanks for this precious day
For all gathered here, and those far away
For this time we share with love and care
Oh, we give thanks for this precious day

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary *John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs (b. 1953)*
adaptation: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)*

Hana Omori, soprano

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

To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service, please submit it in advance [here](#). During the service, candles are welcome in the Zoom chat.

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit
of this congregation,
And service is our gift.

This is our great covenant:
To dwell together in peace,
To speak our truths in love,
And to help one another.

El amor es el espíritu
de nuestra congregación
Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.
Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:
Convivir en paz,
Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,
Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

*HYMN

I Am Sending You Light *Melanie DeMore (b. 1954)*

Mark David Buckles, piano and vocals
Julie Metcalf, violin and vocals

I am sending you light, to heal you, to hold you
I am sending you light, to hold you in love
I am sending you light, to heal you, to hold you
I am sending you light, to hold you in love

No matter where you go
No matter where you've been
You'll never walk alone
I feel you deep within

So I am sending you light, to heal you, to hold you
I am sending you light, to hold you in love
I am sending you light, to heal you, to hold you
I am sending you light, to hold you in love

No matter what you feel
Or what you choose to show
I'm always there for you
And so I want you to know

That I am sending you light, to heal you, to hold you
I am sending you light, to hold you in love
I am sending you light, to heal you, to hold you
I am sending you light, to hold you in love

I walk the path with you
Go slow, dear one, don't hurry
I'll go just like you need to go
There is no need to worry

Cause I am sending you light, to heal you, to hold you
I am sending you light, to hold you in love
I am sending you light, to heal you, to hold you
I am sending you light, to hold you in love
I am sending you light, to heal you, to hold you
I am sending you light, to hold you in love

SERMON

Gratitude and Generosity Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM Arlington Street Church Choir
Hope text and music: *Ysaye M. Barnwell* (b. 1946)

If we want hope to survive in this world today,
then every day we've got to pray on, pray on.

Walk on, work on, move on, march on, teach on, sing on!

COVENANT RENEWAL

Improvisation

Mark David Buckles, piano

Following the sermon ...



The **incarnate congregation** will receive paper pledge forms
from the ushers

Zoomers are invited to pledge at
www.tinyurl.com/NoMatterWhatPledge

Thank you!

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY DURING THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC

Friends, these are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary generosity. Many income-generating events and rentals have had to be canceled or postponed, putting a huge strain on the church budget. Our ministers and staff are continuing to work; our goal is to continue to pay them. You can text the word GIVE to (617) 300-0509 or scan the QR code to give any amount you'd like. Even more helpful for cash flow would be to set up [automatic payments](#) via bank transfer or credit card. Our treasurer, Liz



Teixeira, (treasurer@ascboston.org) would be happy and grateful to assist you with this process! In addition, please consider making an extra gift to sustain Arlington Street this month. Together though apart, we can thrive! *Thank you for your steadfastness and support!*

OFFERTORY

Bridge Over Troubled Water *Paul Simon* (b. 1941)

Hana Omori, soprano

Cheng Cheng, piano

When you're weary, feeling small
When tears are in your eyes, I will dry them all
I'm on your side, when times get rough
And friends just can't be found

Like a bridge over troubled water
I will lay me down
Like a bridge over troubled water
I will lay me down

When you're down and out
When you're on the street
When evening falls so hard
I will comfort you
I'll take your part when darkness comes
And pain is all around

Like a bridge over troubled water
I will lay me down
Like a bridge over troubled water
I will lay me down

Sail on silvergirl
Sail on by
Your time has come to shine
All your dreams are on their way
See how they shine
If you need a friend
I'm sailing right behind

Like a bridge over troubled water
I will ease your mind
Like a bridge over troubled water
I will ease your mind

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

MARCH SHARE THE PLATE:

HELP UKRAINIANS THROUGH WORLD CENTRAL KITCHEN

José Andrés, the beloved D.C. chef famous for feeding people in need around the world, is in Europe with his World Central Kitchen team providing thousands of meals in Poland, Romania and even inside Ukraine.

Here's a little of the World Central Kitchen story:

"It all began in 2010, after a huge earthquake devastated Haiti....

"Food relief is not just a meal that keeps hunger away. It's a plate of hope. It tells you in your darkest hour that someone, somewhere, cares about you. This is the real meaning of comfort food....

“Since those early days, our journey has taken World Central Kitchen all over the world. We fed an island after Hurricane Maria destroyed Puerto Rico. We fed tens of millions struggling with the Covid-19 pandemic.... We were under a bridge with thousands of asylum seekers in Texas, in a demolished Kentucky town after brutal tornadoes, on the Louisiana coast when yet another enormous hurricane made landfall.



“We have traveled a long way together, with support from people just like you.”

Thank you for joining in this heroic effort to help the people of Ukraine. *Thank you for your generosity!*

FANFARE: TODAY’S GRAND TOTAL

***HYMN**

Life Calls Us On text: *Rev. Kendyl Gibbons* (b. 1955)
music: *Rev. Jason Shelton* (b. 1972)

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals
Julie Metcalf, violin

Here in reverence now we gather
For the blessings we have known,
With a pledge to one another
That we journey not alone.
Joy and sorrow make us wise,
Kin to all that lives and dies;
Love calls us on, love calls us on.

Words and deeds of those before us
Waken here to keep us strong;
Blend our voices in the chorus
Of creation’s living song.
Courage bids us lift our eyes
Upward to the shining skies;
Hope calls us on, hope calls on.

Loyal guides in love and duty
Lead us with a trusted light;
Blest are they whose inward beauty
Shows the path of truth and right.
Honor is their earthly prize;
By their work we realize,
Faith calls us on, faith calls us on.

We have shared a radiant hour
When the truth has made us free,
And the spirit’s gracious power
Dreamed of good that yet shall be.
Bright the path before us lies
Joyful pilgrims now we rise;
Life calls us on! Life calls us on!
Life calls us on! Life calls us on!

BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

For our benediction, you are invited to put your hands over your heart in Namaste
I bow to the Divine in You.

RECESSIONAL

Where You Go (I Will Go) *Shoshana Jedwab* (b. 1964)
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
For your people are my people
Your people are mine
Your people are my people
Your divine, my divine

POSTLUDE

Fanfare *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)
Mark David Buckles, organ



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This morning’s pulpit flowers are a gift from the Richard Mattoli flower fund.
Thank you, Richard!