



Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, JULY 9TH, 2023

PRELUDE

Young Woong Cho, Piano

WELCOME Rev. Ali Jablonsky

CHALICE LIGHTING AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

GREETINGS Lucy Humphrey, Worship Coordinator

***HYMN 131**

Love Will Guide Us *words: Sally Rogers*
music: Betty A Wylder (b. 1923)

Love will guide us, peace has tried us, hope inside us will lead the way on the road from greed to giving. Love will guide us through the hard night.

If you cannot sing like angels, if you cannot speak before thousands, you can give from deep within you. You can change the world with your love.

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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

To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service, please submit it in advance on our website. 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 346

Come Sing a Song With Me..... words & music: *Carolyn McDade (b. 1935)*

Come, sing a song with me, come, sing a song with me,
come, sing a song with me, that I might know your mind.

Chorus

And I'll bring you hope when hope is hard to find,
and I'll bring a song of love and a rose in the wintertime.

Come, dream a dream with me, come, dream a dream with me,
come, dream a dream with me, that I might know your mind.

Chorus

And I'll bring you hope when hope is hard to find,
and I'll bring a song of love and a rose in the wintertime.

Come, walk in rain with me, come, walk in rain with me,
come, walk in rain with me, that I might know your mind.

Chorus

And I'll bring you hope when hope is hard to find,
and I'll bring a song of love and a rose in the wintertime.

Come, share a rose with me, come, share a rose with me,
come, share a rose with me, that I might know your mind.

Chorus

And I'll bring you hope when hope is hard to find,
and I'll bring a song of love and a rose in the wintertime.

SERMON

Won't You Be My Neighbor..... Rev. Ali Jablonsky

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Won't You Be My Neighbor..... words & music: *Fred Rogers*

It's a beautiful day in this neighborhood
A beautiful day for a neighbor
Would you be mine? Could you be mine?

It's a neighborly day in this Beautywood
A neighborly day for a beauty
Would you be mine? Could you be mine?

I have always wanted to have a neighbor just like you
I've always wanted to live in a neighborhood with you
So, let's make the most of this beautiful day
Since we're together, we might as well say
Would you be mine? Could you be mine?

Won't you be my neighbor?
Won't you please, won't you please?
Please, won't you be my neighbor?

Neighbors are people who are close to us
And friends are people who are close to our hearts
I like to think of you as my neighbor and my friend

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Friends, these are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary generosity. Since 1729, the support of our community has allowed Arlington Street to thrive as a beacon of love, service, justice, and peace. This congregation is entirely self-supporting. In addition, we share each Sunday's collection with a partner in our vital mission. It's up to us to finance the beloved spiritual community we want to create! Today, we invite you to be part of Arlington Street's story of devotion, innovation, and transformational generosity. Please consider making a special gift to this morning's offering.

WAYS TO GIVE



1. Scan the QR code
2. Visit tinurl.com/GiveASC
3. Search @ArlingtonStreet on [Venmo](#) (Charities)
4. Text the word "GIVE" to (617) 300-0509
5. Mail a check to Arlington Street Church
351 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116

If you're ready to give regularly, you can set up automatic payments at tinurl.com/GiveASC or by contacting Liz Teixeira at Treasurer@ASCBoston.org. Rev. Kim, Rev. Beth, and many of our most devoted members and friends pledge 5-10% of their income each year. In addition, we encourage you to provide now for a future gift to Arlington Street by remembering the church in your will. Thank you for helping to ensure a robust future for our beloved spiritual community!

Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

SUMMER SHARE THE PLATE

Generosity is a spiritual practice at Arlington Street Church. Because sharing our resources transforms both ourselves and our world, we share our Sunday offering with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace.

Since September, we have given generously to many causes about which we are passionate, including NEADS Service Dogs; Gay for Good, the Refugee & Immigrant Assistance Center and The Memory Project (support for refugee families arriving from Afghanistan); and World Central Kitchen (feeding Ukrainian refugees). During the Summer months, our Share the Plate offerings are saved to use for future local emergencies and to help in rescue and rebuilding efforts following natural (and unnatural) disasters around the world. In 2017, we were able to make a significant gift in the wake of a 10-alarm fire in East Cambridge that displaced over 100 residents just weeks before Christmas. This past September, we supported Louisiana's Lowlander Center's Hurricane Ida relief, doubling our impact with gifts from the summer Share the Plate.

To make your gift, please scan the QR code above; visit www.tinyurl.com/GiveASC; or text the amount you want to give and the word SHARE (ex. \$50 SHARE) to (617) 300-0509. *Thank you for your generosity!*

OFFERTORY

Conviction of the Heart.....words & music: *Kenny Loggins*

Bek Zehr, Soprano

Where are the dreams
That we once had?
This is the time
To bring them back

What were the promises
Caught on the tips of our tongues?
Do we forget or forgive?
There's a whole other life
Waiting to be lived when
One day we're brave enough
To talk with conviction of the heart

And down your streets
I've walked alone
As if my feet were not my own
Such is the path I chose
Doors I have opened and closed
I'm tired of living this life
Fooling myself, believing we're right when
I've never given love
With any conviction of the heart

One with the earth
With the sky

One with everything in life
I believe we'll survive
If we only try

How long must we all wait to change
This world bound in chains that we live in
To know what it is to forgive and be forgiven?

Too many years of taking now
Isn't it time to stop somehow?
Air that's too angry to breathe
Water our children can't drink

You've heard it
Hundreds of times
You say you're aware
Believe, and you care
But do you care enough
Where's your conviction of the heart?

One with the Earth
With the sky
One with everything in life
I believe it will start
With conviction of the heart

With the Earth
With the sky
One with everything in life
I believe it will start
With conviction of the heart

One Earth
One sky
Only one world
Only one chance
For one life
When will live
(With conviction of the heart)
One child
One dream
And only one life

Give her one chance
For one life
When will we live

Only one Earth
Only one sky
Only one world

We've only got one chance
To live in one life

I believe it's only gonna start
When we begin with
Some conviction of the heart

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 118

This Little Light of Mine*African-American Spiritual*

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.
Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.
Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine
Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine.
Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

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

Young Woong Cho, Piano

Flowers on the High Pulpit

Would you like to make a gift of flowers for the entire congregation to enjoy

on a Sunday morning? You can make your dedication in memory,
in honor, or in celebration of someone or something you love.

You can have flowers delivered or bring your own
(a minimum of two dozen flowers is perfect for our huge space).

Please email our congregational administrator,
Jess (JAcosta@ASCBoston.org), to claim your date! *Thank you!*

Staff Directory

Parish Ministers

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie (*she/her*), Senior Minister

Rev. Beth Robbins (*she/her*), Executive Minister

Rev. George G. Whitehouse (*he/him*), Minister at Large

Community Ministers

Rev. John Gibbons (*he/him*)
Minister for Good Trouble

Rev. Dr. Kelly Murphy Mason (*she/her*)
Minister for Spiritual Direction

Rev. Fred Small (*he/him*)
Minister for Climate Justice

Rev. Ali Jablonsky (*she/her*)
Chaplain, Tufts Medical Center

Dr. Arthur Judge (*he/him*)
Hospital Chaplain, retired

Rev. Erica Rose Long (*she/her*)
Chaplain, Massachusetts General Hospital

Rev. Joanna Lubkin (*she/her*)
Interim Minister, Theodore Parker Church

Rev. Vera O'Brien (*she/her*)
Chaplain, HopeHealth Hospice

Music

Mark David Buckles (*he/him*), Director of Music

Hyunju Jung (*she/her*), Collaborative Pianist

Rodger Clinton Vine (*he/him*), Artist in Residence

Choir Section Leaders

Hannah Shanefield (*she/her*), Soprano

Bek Zehr (*they/them*), Mezzo Soprano

Samuel LaGrego (*he/him*), Tenor

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