



# ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2011

## PRELUDE

Selections from “Madama Butterfly”... *Giacomo Puccini* (1858-1934)  
Michael Sakir, piano

**CALL TO WORSHIP** ..... Doug Fiero  
An Old Man ..... *Robert Pinsky*

**CHALICE LIGHTING** ..... George Whitehouse  
We Light our Chalice..... *Howard Thurman*

## WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

### \*HYMN 16

’Tis a Gift to Be Simple

## COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

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 beginning of the first hymn. After the service, Candle Cards are posted downstairs during coffee hour. You may also submit a candle by Saturday night at the church website, [ASCBoston.org](http://ASCBoston.org), by clicking on “Worship.”

### Spirit of Life (Hymn 123)

Spirit of Life, come unto me.

Sing in my heart all the  
stirrings of compassion.

Blow in the wind, rise in  
the sea;

Move in the hand, giving  
life the shape of justice.

Roots hold me close; wings  
set me free;

Spirit of Life, come to me,  
come to me.

*Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí.*

*Y al corazón,  
cántale tu compasión.*

*Sopla al volar,  
sube en la mar;*

*Hasta moldear  
la justicia de la vida*

*Arráigame,  
libérame,*

*Fuente de Amor, ven a mí,  
ven a mí.*

## 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.*

**READING**

Mindfulness ..... Jon Kabat-Zinn

**\*HYMN 22**

Dear Weaver of Our Lives' Design

**SERMON**

Letting Go, Retirement by Degree ..... Doug Fiero

**OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**

Over 300 pledging members and friends support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Please consider a generous donation today! Contributions placed in an envelope will be credited toward your pledge or gift.

**OFFERTORY**

Final duet from "L'incorinazion di Poppea"

Michael Sakir, piano

*Claudio Monteverdi (1567-1643)*

**\*HYMN 18**

What Wondrous Love

**\*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

To live in this world ..... *Mary Oliver*

**POSTLUDE**

Sextet from "Cosi fan tutte" ..... *W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)*

Michael Sakir, piano

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

**PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!**

**Service is Our Gift**

Doug Fiero, *Guest Speaker*

George Whitehouse, *Worship Coordinator*

Alma Antoniotti & Gail Jennes, *Assistant Treasurers*

Sarah Richards, *Candles Coordinator*

Cheryl Thieret, *Lead Greeter*

Philip Roberts, *Lead Usher*

Michael Sakir, *Guest Pianist*