

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2014

PRELUDE

Le Carnaval des Animaux (The Carnival of the Animals)

Camille Saint-Saens (1835-1921)

IV. Tortues (Tortoises)

VII. Aquarium

XIII. Le Cygne (The Swan)

XIV. Finale

Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, piano

WELCOME TO ALL BEINGS

INTROIT

Nigun Bialik *Traditional Chassidic Tune*

arr. A. W. Binder (1895–1966)

CHALICE LIGHTING

Responsive Reading 637 Chris Alburger, Intern Minister

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

GREETINGS Laura Evonne Steinman

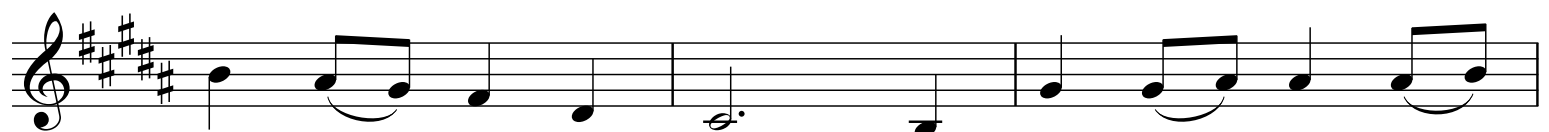
*HYMN

We Celebrate the Web of Life text: *Alicia S. Carpenter (1930-1990)*

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



1. We cel - le - brate the web of__ life, its
2. A frag - ment of the per - fect__ whole, in
3. Of an - cient dreams we are the__ sum; our
4. Re - spect the__ wat - er, land, and__ air which



mag - ni - tude we sing; for we can__ see di -
cac - tus__ and in quail, as much in__ ti - ny__
bones link__ stone to star, and bind our__ fu - ture__
gave all__ crea - tures birth; pro - tect the__ lives of__



vin - i - ty in ev - ery liv - ing thing.
bar - na - cle as in the great blue whale.
worlds to__ come with worlds that were and are.
all that__ share the glo - ry of the earth.

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, by clicking on “Worship.”

Some of us pray with words, some of us pray through action, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and to one another. As you feel called, please join us in singing the chorus of *Healing Prayer*.

Healing Prayer music: *Nick Page* (b. 1952)
text: *African American Spiritual “Balm in Gilead” and Nick Page*
Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; Julie Gregorio, soprano

The image shows musical notation for the song 'Healing Prayer'. It consists of two staves: 'Drone' and 'Melody'. The Drone staff is a single treble clef line with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and a 3/4 time signature. It contains a series of quarter notes: B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat. The Melody staff is also a treble clef line with the same key signature and time signature. It begins with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The melody consists of quarter notes: B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat. There is a triplet of eighth notes (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) under the first three notes of the second measure. The lyrics 'We pray We' are written below the melody staff, with 'We' under the first note, 'pray' under the next three notes, and 'We' under the final note.

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 15

The Lone, Wild Bird

SERMON

We Begin Again, In Love Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

The Rainforest Song.....*Jim Scott* (b. 1946)

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

Recitative and Aria from *The Creation* *Joseph Haydn* (1732-1809)
Justin Hicks, bass

And God said: Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind; cattle and creeping thing, and beasts of the earth after their kind.

from *Genesis 1:24*

Straight opening her fertile womb, the earth obey'd the word,
and teem'd creatures numberless, in perfect forms and fully
grown.
Cheerful, roaring, stands the tawny lion.
In sudden leaps the flexible tiger appears.
The nimble stag bears up his branching head.
With flying mane and fiery look, impatient neighs the sprightly steed.
The cattle in herds already seeks his food on fields and meadows
green.
And o'er the ground, as plants, are spread the fleecy, meek and
bleating flock. Unnumber'd as the sands in whirls arose the host
of insects.
In long dimension creeps with sinuous trace the worm.

from *Paradise Lost* by John Milton (1608-1674)

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

ANIMAL PROMENADE & BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Le Carnaval des Animaux (The Carnival of the Animals)

V. L'Elephant (The Elephant)

Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, piano

*HYMN 203

All Creatures of the Earth and Sky

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

from Merger Poem *Judy Chicago* (b. 1939)

*CHORAL BENEDICTION (*sung twice; please join in!*)

When You Walk From Here text: *Linnea Good*
music: *Tom Witt*, arr. *Buckles*

When you walk from here, When you walk from here,
Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, And with God's humble care.

POSTLUDE

Sheep May Safely Graze..... *J. S. Bach* (1685-1750)

Transcribed for piano solo by *Ignaz Friedman* (1882-1948)

Rodger Clinton Vine, piano

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

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Happy Blessing of the Animals Sunday! Today, CRE welcomes all of our honorable furry, four-legged, or scaly visitors. We especially excited to have Jack, the Market Basket Giraffe, with us to receive our gratitude and blessings for all of his hard work this summer.

CRE will remain in the sanctuary for most of the service to help Rev. Kim bless the animals. If you need a little time outside of the service, there is childcare provided in the Nursery.