

# Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

*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**

La Colombe (The Dove) ..... *Olivier Messiaen* (1908 - 1992)  
Blackbird ..... *John Lennon* (1940 - 1980) and *Paul McCartney* (b. 1942)  
Sheep May Safely Graze ..... *Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685 - 1750)  
Rodger Clinton Vine, piano

## **INTROIT**

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

*We believe in the interdependent web of all existence  
of which we are a part. Amen.*

## **WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS**

*The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.*

## **\*HYMN**

This is My Dog ..... text: *Rev. Elizabeth Weber* (b. 1982)  
and *Barbara Weber* (b. 1952)  
music: *Jean Sibelius* (1865 - 1957)

This is my dog, the one that makes my heart sing  
This is my cat, the one whose purr I love  
These are my pets, who bring joy to my living  
They are the ones I'm always thinking of.  
But other friends have good dogs, too, and good cats  
And birds are everywhere as true and fine.  
Oh hear my song, thou god of all the creatures,  
A song of hope for their lives and for mine.

These are our pets that give us understanding  
Of other creatures under heaven's sky.  
Dogs, cats, and gerbils, fishes, snakes, and hamsters:  
They help us know of things that swim and fly.  
Porpoises and rhinoceros and condors:  
They need our care, much more than we can tell.  
So may we live in ways that bless all creatures  
Both near and far, we pledge to treat them well.

## **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  
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 15

The Lone, Wild Bird

1 The lone, wild bird in lofty flight is still with thee, nor leaves thy sight. And I am thine! I rest in thee. Great spirit come and rest in me.

2 The ends of earth are in thy hand, the sea's dark deep and far-off land. And I am thine! I rest in thee. Great spirit come and rest in me.

### SERMON

Persist ..... Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

### SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

#### ANTHEM

Animal Crackers, Vol. II ..... text: *Ogden Nash* (1902 - 1971)  
music: *Eric Whitacre* (b. 1970)

I. The Canary

The song of canaries  
Never varies,  
And when they're moulting  
They're pretty revolting.

II. The Eel

I don't mind eels  
Except as meals.  
And the way they feels.

III. The Kangaroo

O Kangaroo, O Kangaroo,  
Be grateful that you're in the zoo.  
And not transmuted by a boomerang  
Into zestful tangy Kangaroo meringue.

### OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 288 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 or scan the QR code.

*Thank you for your stewardship and support!*

## OFFERTORY

Times Like This, from *Lucky Stiff* ..... text: *Lynn Ahrens* (b. 1948)  
music: *Stephen Flaherty* (b. 1960)

Ann-Marie Iacoviello, soprano

## PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

### ANIMAL PROMENADE & BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Old Yeller Dog Came Trottin' Through the Meetinghouse

*Charlie Boyd Acuff*

Grasshopper Sitting on a Sweet Potato Vine

*Luther Davis* (1887 - 1986)

Geese Honking ..... *Clyde Davenport* (b. 1921)

Boys, Them Buzzards are Flying ..... *Garry Harrison* (1954 - 2012)

The Cuckoo ..... *Traditional*, arrangement: *Aaron Olwell* (b. 1981)

Forked Deer ..... *Traditional American Tune*

Turtle in the Grass ..... *Ariel Friedman* (b. 1985)

Julie Metcalf, fiddle

Joel Wennerstrom, banjo

### \*HYMN 203

All Creatures of the Earth and Sky

1 All creatures of the earth and sky, come, kindred, lift your voices high, Alleluia, Alleluia! Bright burning sun with golden beam, soft shining moon with silver gleam:

(Chorus) Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

2 Swift rushing wind so wild and strong, white clouds that sail in heav'n along, Alleluia, Alleluia! Fair rising morn in praise rejoice, high stars of evening find a voice: (Chorus)

3 Cool flowing water, pure and clear, make music for all life to hear, Alleluia, Alleluia! Dance, flame of fire, so strong and bright, and bless us with your warmth and light: (Chorus)

4 Embracing earth, you, day by day, bring forth your blessings on our way, Alleluia, Alleluia! All herbs and fruits that richly grow, let them the glory also show: (Chorus)

5 All you of understanding heart, forgiving others, take your part, Alleluia, Alleluia! Let all things now the Holy bless, and worship God in humbleness: (Chorus)

### \*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

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

**\*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**

Toccata in B Minor (from 10 Pieces, 1890)  
*Eugene Gigout* (1844 - 1925)  
Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

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**Today in Family Ministry**

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Our children are staying with us in the sanctuary today for this intergenerational service. Children are welcome to sit with their families or join Dave in the left hand balcony after the first hymn. All are invited to help Rev. Kim bless the animals!

If you have arrived with a baby or small child who becomes restless, there's a nursery/playroom with the service piped in for your listening pleasure. 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.

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**Share the Plate: NEADS Service Dogs for Veterans**

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Based in Princeton, Massachusetts, NEADS (National Education for Assistance Dog Services) designed the Trauma Assistance Dog (TAD) program for veterans diagnosed with combat-related post-traumatic stress. Since 2006, NEADS has matched more than 100 highly skilled service dogs with United States veterans at no cost to veterans.

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