

**Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist**

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

**PRELUDE**

Gathered Here, Within This Place ..... *Don Besig* (b. 1936)

You Were Created to Receive the Greatest Love ..... *Minseob Lee*

Hyunju Jung, piano

**WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Rev. Dr. Kelly Murphy Mason, Community Minister for Spiritual Direction

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

**INTROIT**

Look Up ..... *Dave Bassett & Joy Oladokun* (b. 1992)

Bek Zehr, vocals and guitar

Sometimes your life feels like a broken roller coaster  
A thousand useless moving parts  
Sometimes you spend your nights  
Too scared of getting closer  
Hiding out in the back seat of your car

You tell yourself it's raining  
The clouds are in your head  
You tell yourself it's better  
To jump before you fall again  
Before you lose it all again

Look up  
Do you see the sunlight?  
Look up  
There's flowers in your hair  
Hold on  
'Cause somebody loves you  
You know trouble's always gonna be there  
Don't let it bring you to your knees  
Look up

Mondays aren't always bright  
Some days, you lose the fight  
But life can be beautiful if you let it be  
Tomorrow keeps taunting you  
With all kinds of mystery  
It's a blank page for your poetry if you let it be

So don't tell yourself it's raining  
The clouds are in your head  
You tell yourself it's better  
To jump before you fall again  
Before you lose it all again

Look up  
Do you see the sunlight?  
Look up  
There's flowers in your hair  
Hold on  
'Cause somebody loves you  
You know trouble's always gonna be there  
Don't let it bring you to your knees, yeah  
Look up

**GREETINGS** ..... Lucy Humphrey, Worship Coordinator

**\*HYMN 347**

Gather the Spirit ..... *Jim Scott* (b. 1946)

Gather the spirit, harvest the power  
Our separate fires will kindle one flame  
Witness the mystery of this hour  
Our trials in this light appear all the same

**Chorus**

Gather in peace, gather in thanks  
Gather in sympathy now and then  
Gather in hope, compassion, and strength  
Gather to celebrate once again

Gather the spirit of heart and mind  
Seeds for the sowing are laid in store  
Nurtured in love, and conscience refined  
With body and spirit united once more

**Chorus**

Gather in peace, gather in thanks  
Gather in sympathy now and then  
Gather in hope, compassion and strength  
Gather to celebrate once again

Gather the spirit growing in all  
Drawn by the moon and fed by the sun  
Winter to spring, and summer to fall  
The chorus of life resounding as one

**Chorus**

Gather in peace, gather in thanks  
Gather in sympathy now and then  
Gather in hope, compassion and strength  
Gather to celebrate once again

## 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 [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 128

For All That Is Our Life ..... lyrics: *Bruce Findlow (1922 – 1994)*  
music: *Patrick L. Rickey (b. 1964)*

For all that is our life  
We sing our thanks and praise  
For all life is a gift  
Which we are called to use  
To build the common good  
And make our own days glad

For needs which others serve  
For services we give  
For work and its rewards  
For hours of rest and love  
We come with praise and thanks  
For all that is our life

For sorrow we must bear  
For failures, pain, and loss  
For each new thing we learn  
For fearful hours that pass  
We come with praise and thanks  
For all that is our life

For all that is our life  
We sing our thanks and praise  
For all life is a gift  
Which we are called to use  
To build the common good  
And make our own days glad

**SERMON**

Welcoming Welcome ..... Rev. Dr. Kelly Murphy Mason

**SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER**

**ANTHEM**

Surrender ..... *Christina Perri* (b. 1986)

Bek Zehr, vocals and guitar

Surrender

Surrender

I can make a list, a million things I need to fix  
I make everyone crazy, is it something about me?  
I keep tightening my grip, but I aim so much I miss  
And I'm fighting the river

When I try to hold it all together  
But it's just not getting better

Surrender

Surrender

It's breaking my heart 'cause I don't understand  
Why so much is out of my hands  
I have to remember  
Surrender

Oh, I keep learning the hard way  
Oh, keep forgetting how to pray  
Someone tell me I'm okay

I climbed a mountain, I could not resist  
And I hit bottom at the top of it  
I was broken wide open

There's a freedom in the freefall  
Wanna scream, but I whisper

Surrender

Surrender

Oh, surrender  
I've got to remember  
Surrender

**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 [tinyurl.com/GiveASC](https://tinyurl.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 [tinyurl.com/GiveASC](https://tinyurl.com/GiveASC) or by contacting Liz Teixeira at [Treasurer@ASCBoston.org](mailto: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!*

### TODAY'S SHARE THE PLATE: THE CALL MICHELLE CHARITY

Call Michelle was established by our own Fran Peterson in memory of her beloved wife, Michelle Buteau, who died with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis in August of 2020. Michelle received excellent care while waiting for a lung transplant at Boston's Brigham and Women's Hospital. But, during this period when they were both out of work, the burden of paying for gas, parking, food, and housing near the hospital, on top of the ongoing expenses of life, weighed heavily on Fran. The Call Michelle Charity carries on Michelle's generous spirit by helping families in need who are waiting for an organ transplant at the Brigham. For more information, please visit [www.callmichellecharity.org](http://www.callmichellecharity.org).

To make your gift, please scan the QR code above; visit [tinyurl.com/GiveASC](https://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 to this lifesaving ministry!*

### OFFERTORY

Nothing Better ..... *Jung Yup Ahn (b.1977)*

Hyunju Jung, piano

### PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

#### \*HYMN 126

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing ..... text: *Rev. Robert Robinson (1735 – 1790)*  
& *Rev. Eugene B. Navias (1928 – 2014)*  
music: *John Wyeth, Repository of Sacred Music (1813)*

Come, thou fount of every blessing  
Tune our ears to sing thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing  
Call for songs of loudest praise  
While the hope of life's perfection  
Fills our hearts with joy and love  
Teach us ever to be faithful  
May we still thy goodness prove

Come, thou fount of every vision  
Lift our eyes to what may come  
See the lion and the lambkin  
Dwell together in thy home  
Hear the cries of war fall silent  
Feel our love glow like the sun  
When we all serve one another  
Then our heaven is begun

Come, thou fount of inspiration  
Turn our lives to higher ways  
Lift our gloom and desperation  
Show the promise of this day  
Help us bind ourselves in union  
Help our hands tell of our love  
With thine aid, O fount of justice  
Earth be fair as heaven above

## **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**

Come, Let Us Sing ..... *Danny Reed*  
Hyunju Jung, 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, bring your own (a minimum of two dozen flowers is perfect for our huge space), or a member of the staff will purchase them (~\$50). Please email our congregational administrator, Jess ([JAcosta@ASCBoston.org](mailto:JAcosta@ASCBoston.org)),

## 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*

**Andrew Stack** (*he/him*), *Baritone*

### Administration

**Jess Acosta** (*she/they*), *Congregational Administrator*

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