

# Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2017

*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**

Piano Sonata, K.310. II. Andante Cantabile

W. A. Mozart (1756 - 1791)

Xuan He, piano

## **\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 68**

Come, Ye Thankful People

## **WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING**

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

## **INTROIT**

No Longer Forward nor Behind

text: *John Greenleaf Whittier* (1807 - 1892)

music: *English Folk Melody*

Julie Metcalf, viola

No longer forward nor behind I look in hope or fear;  
But, grateful, take the good I find, the best of now and here.  
I break my pilgrim staff, I lay aside the toiling oar;  
The angel sought so far away I welcome at my door.

For all the jarring notes of life seem blending in a psalm,  
And all the angles of its strife slow rounding into calm.  
And so the shadows fall apart, and so the west winds play;  
And all the windows of my heart I open to the day.

## **\*GREETINGS**

## **\*HYMN 1010**

We Give Thanks

## **COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY**

Sanctuary ..... *John W. Thompson* and *Randy Scruggs* (b. 1953)

text adapted: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*

music arranged: *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.

## **\*SONG**

Only Thankfulness ..... *Zohar Tobi* (b. 1985)

I was born with all I needed  
Came to this world complete and whole  
Though I would journey long just to see it  
Those three letters of my soul  
Like the sea in late November  
My steady waves have seen the storm  
But further down I just might remember  
That slow peaceful way back home

### ***Chorus***

*When the years are all behind me,  
And my time has passed me by  
Only thankfulness will find me,  
I'll be grateful by and by*

I've had dreams and I've had visions  
Some came true by grace or chance  
I've known the sweetness of good fortune  
And I've seen it all slip through my hands

### ***Chorus***

You've felt the fire of my fury  
You've known my demons and my doubts  
But you see through my fear and worry  
Like the sun behind the clouds

### ***Chorus***

## **SERMON**

Grateful ..... Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

## **SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER**

## **ANTHEM**

How lovely are the messengers ..... text: *Romans 10:15,10:18*  
music: *Felix Mendelssohn* (1809 - 1847)

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace.  
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words,  
throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

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

## 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

Where Beauty Dwells ..... *Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873 - 1943)*  
arranged: *Earl Wild (1915 - 2010)*

Rodger Clinton Vine, piano

## PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

### \*HYMN 67

We Sing Now Together

### \*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

### \*RECESSIONAL *(sung twice; please join in!)*

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

*When you walk from here, When you walk from here,*

*Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, walk humbly in God's care.*

## POSTLUDE

Nun Danket Alle Gott ..... *Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877 - 1933)*

Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

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## Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

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For today's intergenerational worship, children and youth are invited to sit with their families or join Beth in the balcony to enjoy the service with sermon bingo, coloring, and some of our favorite stuffed animal friends. Kids will head up to the balcony as we sing We Give Thanks and return during our closing hymn, We Sing Now Together.

Allie and Lena are available in the nursery to care for babies and small children. To find the nursery, go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit and cross through the chapel. The nursery is on your left before the stairs.

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## November Share the Plate: Only a Child

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Only a Child, founded in Guatemala City in 1994 by Arlington Street member George Leger, maintains a shelter and carpentry shop and insures an education for street kids.

The shelter, housing up to a dozen guys at a time, is far more than a place to sleep; it provides a surrogate family in which the youth are taught responsibility and accountability and develop confidence and self-esteem.

All of them work, many in the on-site shop, where they learn carpentry skills and produce finely crafted cedar boxes they sell to support the program.

They also go to school. In a bid to maximize the kids' chances to leave the streets once and for all, we sponsor their tuition at high-quality independent schools and at university.

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## Welcome to Arlington Street Church

**TODAY – NOVEMBER 19, 2017**

Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. Simply drop it into the offering plate, or hand it to an usher after the service.

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone numbers** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Spouse/Partner** \_\_\_\_\_

**Children's Name(s) & Age(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

- I/we are visiting for the first time.
- I/we have been attending ASC for \_\_\_\_\_
- I/we would like a permanent name tag(s) for Sunday worship.  
(Name tags are placed on a rack in the vestibule.)
- How did you hear about Arlington Street?  
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**I prefer to be contacted by:**

- Mail     Phone     Email     No preference

**I would like to know more about:**

- Membership Classes/Joining ASC     Choir/Music
- Social Action     Children's Religious Education
- Adult Religious Education (Zen Center, The Wednesdays  
Literary Salon, Kundlini Yoga, Intersectional Book Group. etc.)
- Young Adult Group     Other \_\_\_\_\_

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