

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, APRIL 16TH, 2023

HAPPY BOSTON MARATHON WEEKEND!

GOOD LUCK TO ALL OUR MARATHONERS!

PRELUDE

Improvisation

Andrew Stack, piano

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

In Recognition of the 10th Anniversary of the Boston Marathon Bombing

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Senior Minister

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

INTROIT

You'll Never Walk Alone text: *Oscar Hammerstein II* (1895 – 1960)

from *Carousel*

music: *Richard Rodgers* (1902 – 1979)

Andrew Stack, baritone; Hyunju Jung, piano

When you walk through a storm
Hold your head up high
And don't be afraid of the dark.
At the end of the storm
Is a golden sky
And the sweet silver song of a lark.

Walk on through the wind,
Walk on through the rain,
Tho' your dreams be tossed and blown.
Walk on, walk on
With hope in your heart
And you'll never walk alone,
You'll never walk alone.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND GREETINGS

Rev. Kim and Marie O'Brien, Worship Coordinator

***HYMN 1064**

Blue Boat Home text: *Peter Mayer* (b. 1963)
music: *Roland Hugh Prichard* (1811 – 1887), adapted
arrangement: *Jason Shelton* (b. 1972)

Though below me, I feel no motion
Standing on these mountains and plains.
Far away from the rolling ocean
Still my dry land heart can say:
I've been sailing all my life now,
Never harbor or port have I known.
The wide universe is the ocean I travel
And the earth is my blue boat home.

Sun my sail and moon my rudder
As I ply the starry sea,
Leaning over the edge in wonder,
Casting questions into the deep.
Drifting here with my ship's companions,
All we kindred pilgrim souls,
Making our way by the lights of the heavens
In our beautiful blue boat home.

I give thanks to the waves upholding me,
Hail the great winds urging me on,
Greet the infinite sea before me,
Sing the sky my sailor's song:
I was born up on the fathoms,
Never harbor or port have I known.
The wide universe is the ocean I travel,
And the earth is my blue boat home.

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 348**

Guide My Feet *African American Spiritual*

Guide my feet while I run this race
Guide my feet while I run this race
Guide my feet while I run this race
For I don't want to run this race in vain!

Hold my hand...

Stand by me...

Search my heart...

Guide my feet...

THE BLESSING OF THE RUNNERS

SERMON

The Practice of Possibility Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Der Genesene an die Hoffnung music: *Hugo Wolf* (1860 – 1903)
(He who has recovered addresses hope) text: *Eduard Mörike* (1804 – 1875)
translation: *Richard Stokes*

Andrew Stack, baritone

Tödlich graute mir der Morgen:
Doch schon lag mein Haupt, wie süß!
Hoffnung, dir im Schoss verborgen,
Bis der Sieg gewonnen hiess.
Opfer bracht ich allen Göttern,
Doch vergessen warest du;
Seitwärts von den ewgen Rettern
Sahest du dem Feste zu.

O vergib, du Vielgetreue!
Tritt aus deinem Dämmerlicht,
Dass ich dir ins ewig neue,
Mondenhelle Angesicht
Einmal schaue,
recht von Herzen,
Wie ein Kind und sonder Harm;
Ach, nur einmal ohne Schmerzen
Schliesse mich in deinen Arm!

Day dawned deathly grey:
Yet my head lay, how sweetly!
O Hope, hidden in your lap,
Till victory was reckoned won.
I had made sacrifices to all the gods,
But you I had forgotten;
Aside from the eternal saviors
You gazed on at the feast.

Oh forgive, most true one!
Step forth from your twilight
That I, just once, might gaze
From my very heart
At your eternally new and
moonbright face,
Like a child and without sorrow;
Ah, just once, without pain,
Enfold me in your arms!

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
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 or by contacting Liz Teixeira at 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!

APRIL SHARE THE PLATE: SISTERS OF PERPETUAL INDULGENCE

The Boston Sisters are part of an international order of queer, clown nuns who pledge "to promulgate universal joy and eliminate stigmatic guilt." Their ministry is to serve through education, entertainment, and activism. Their creed says, "We love you. We adore you. We respect you. We protect you. We serve you. We are your Sisters."

To make your gift, please scan the QR code above; visit 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!*

A reminder that on Saturday, April 29th, from 7:00-9:00 pm, the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence will be in the Arlington Street Zoom room, hosting a benefit for Arlington Street and our work in the world! To join in an evening of Nuns'n'Fun, please visit <https://nunsnfun.eventbrite.com>



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OFFERTORY

Through the Night *Je Hwi* (b. 1996)
Hyunju Jung, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

***SONG**

Everything Possible *Rev. Fred Small* (b. 1952)

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

Cherry Blossom Ending *Beomjune Jang* (b. 1989)
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), to claim your date! *Thank you!*

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*

Laurinda O'Connor *(she/her), Publications*

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