

May Share the Plate

Many of us began our day together in Roxbury this morning, gathering behind the Arlington Street banner to walk in the 20th annual Mothers' Day Walk for Peace, sponsored by the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute.

Louis D. Brown was a 15-year-old who grew up in Roxbury with very big dreams: college, graduate school, a doctoral degree in aerodynamic engineering. Ultimately, Louis wanted to be the first African-American and youngest-ever President of the United States.

Louis said, "I want young people I went to school with and from my community to be active in government. However, if things don't change, I'll be alone in the White House, because by the time I become president, my peers will all be dead, addicted to drugs, or in jail." Setting out to improve his community and to be a role model to his peers, he joined Teens Against Gang Violence. That fall, on his way to a Teens Against Gang Violence meeting, Louis was killed in the crossfire of a gang shootout.

That was 1993. The next year, his extraordinary mother, Tina Chery, honored her son's dream by founding The Louis D. Brown Peace Institute. Dedicated to education in peacemaking and nonviolence, the institute also assists survivors of homicide victims. This morning, and throughout May, fifty percent of our gifts in the collection plate will be shared with the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute.

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

Arlington Street Church is an historic congregation (1729) with a progressive faith. Long on the cutting-edge of movements for social justice, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every being. All are welcome!

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church.

THE PRU MEMBERS ARE:

*Tina Rose (chair) / Art Nava (vice chair)
Rick Cresta / Alex Frost / Connie Scanlon
Dave Erbe / Eve Lauria / Kerry Marshall*

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

*Susie Nacco (treasurer) / Tori Bell & Gaby
Whitehouse (co-moderators) / Doc Kinne (clerk)*

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

FM amplification headsets are available from the ushers. Please do not remove them from the sanctuary. **Accessible** entry is via the ramp on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. **Braille** hymnals are available! Please ask an usher for assistance.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education begins every Sunday in the sanctuary. Children are sung out near the beginning of the service and gather downstairs for CRE. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service. Just off the Hunnewell Chapel is a nursery for fussy babies and their caregivers. The service is piped in, and a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. For information about our CRE program, please contact the church office or see our religious educator.

ALLELUIA!

At Arlington Street Church, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are available at the Welcome Table after worship. Additional parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist



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SUNDAY, MAY 15TH, 2016
COVENANT RENEWAL SUNDAY!

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

At Your Service:

- * If you would like a large print order of service or hymnal or a Braille hymnal
- * If you are having trouble hearing the service and would appreciate an assistive listening device
- * If you have mobility challenges and would like assistance

Any usher will be happy to help!

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, *John O'Connor*
Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*
Lead Greeter, *Jenn Britt*
Lead Usher, *Ellen Spencer*
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Urban Church Awareness

Remember to be mindful of your belongings, and throughout the week, please help to keep the outside doors to the church secure.

7 Unitarian Universalist PRINCIPLES

1. The inherent **WORTH** and **DIGNITY** of every being
2. **JUSTICE, EQUITY,** and **COMPASSION** in all relations
3. **ACCEPTANCE** of one another and encouragement of **SPIRITUAL GROWTH**
4. A free and responsible search for **TRUTH** and **MEANING**
5. The right of **CONSCIENCE** and the use of the **DEMOCRATIC** process
6. The goal of world community with **PEACE, LIBERTY,** and **JUSTICE** for all
7. **RESPECT** for the **INTERDEPENDENT WEB** of which we are a part

Arlington Street Church
Boston, Massachusetts
Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, MAY 15TH, 2016

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.

PRELUDE

Concerto No. 1 in D major, BWV 972 *J. S. Bach* (1685 - 1750)
(Transcription of Violin Concerto in D major)

Antonio Vivaldi (1678 - 1741)

- I. Allegro
- II. Larghetto
- III. Allegro

INTROIT

Holy and Beautiful text: *R. F. Leavens*, adapted
music: *Marguerite Shaw*

Holy and beautiful the custom which brings us together
to face our ideals, and to be enlightened.

Holy and beautiful the custom which brings us together
to give thanks and to be strengthened.

Through this quiet hour breathes the worship of the ages.

Through this quiet hour we hear the sacred music of history.

Three unseen guests attend: faith, hope and love.

Let all our hearts prepare a place.

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

COVENANT RENEWAL: #LEAP4ASC Queen Cheryl Thieret

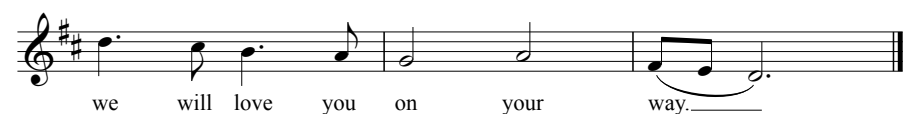
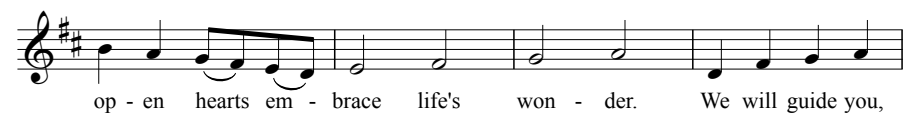
GREETINGS

*HYMN 1000

Morning Has Come

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction text: *Barbara Pescan*
music: *Bart Bradfield*



*At this time, all children are welcome to join
the Children's Religious Education program!*

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)

Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano

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 18

What Wondrous Love
Julie Metcalf, viola

SERMON

Whose Are You? Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Freedom Come *Ben Allaway* (b. 1958)

Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano
Daniel Rosensweig, tenor

Inside these walls, freedom come, freedom come.
Come for the healing; we will share the healing.
Come for the victory, we will share the victory. Hallelujah!

Come with your burden; we will share your burden.
Come with your sorrow; we will share your sorrow.
Sing it away, Hallelujah!

PROCESSION OF THE ARK OF THE COVENANT

Fanfare *Douglas Wagner* (b. 1952)

Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

COVENANT RENEWAL

Variations, from Organ Concerto Op. 4, No. 1

G. F. Handel (1685 - 1759)

At this time, you are invited to complete a Covenant Renewal card with your pledge of financial support for the coming year. When you are ready, please join in our celebration of generosity by bringing your card to the ark at the front of the sanctuary.

***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 287 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. ***Thank you for your stewardship and support!***

OFFERTORY

Home music and lyrics: *Drew Pearson* and *Greg Holden*

recorded by *Phillip Phillips* (b. 1990)

arranged by *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

Julie Metcalf, violin and vocals

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

FANFARE: THE ARK RETURNS

The announcement of today's pledge total!

*HYMN 1021

Lean on Me

*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, and with God's humble care.*

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune, from Suite in D Major *Charles Callahan* (b. 1951)

Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

If you have arrived with a baby or small child, welcome! There is 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.

Children and youth are discussing Covenant Renewal and the many ways they can covenant with Arlington Street Church

- Pre-schoolers: meet Allie in the Chapel
- Kindergarten-2nd graders: Spirit Play Group ~ meet Jessica and Lale in the Perkins Room
- 3rd-6th grader: UU Super Heroes Group ~ meet Sarah F. in the Carol Smith Room
- 7th grader and up: meet Tammy in the Parish Hall

At 1:00 pm the Our Whole Lives (OWL) group will meet in the Perkins Room and at 2:00 pm is the OWL party in the Parish Hall.