

# **Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist***

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, JUNE 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2011

DIVINE GIFTS ~

A FLOWER COMMUNION SERVICE

## **PRELUDE**

Cello Sonata No. 4, Largo ..... *Antonio Vivaldi* (1678-1741)

Cello Sonata No. 3, Sarabanda .... *Johann Ernst Galliard* (1687-1749)

Cello Suite No. 3, Bourree I and II

*Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685-1750)

Pablo Mahave-Veglia, baroque violoncello

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Kua Rongo ..... *Ngapo Wehi* (Maori, New Zealand)

*Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

I have heard the voice of welcome greeting me,

Welcoming me as part of the wider world,

Rise up, welcome, welcome!

**CHALICE LIGHTING** ..... Laura Evonne Steinman

## **WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS AND GREETINGS**

### **\*HYMN 188**

Come, Come, Whoever You Are

## **THE DEDICATION OF THEA JUNE MICKETT**

Daughter of Amity Femia and John Mickett

Grandaughter of Margaret and Rocco Femia

## **FLOWER COMMUNION**

Giving Divine Gifts ..... Rebecca Froom

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

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. After the service, Candle Cards are posted downstairs during coffee hour. You may also submit a candle by Saturday night at the church website, [ASCBoston.org](http://ASCBoston.org), by clicking on "Worship." As you feel called, please join us in singing the Meditation on Breathing.

Meditation on Breathing..... *Sarah Dan Jones*

When I breathe in, I breathe in peace

When I breathe out, I breathe out love

## **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 402**

From You I Receive

**STORY: SECRET GARDENS** ..... Laura Evonne Steinman

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### **HOMILY**

Composting ..... Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

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

### **OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**

Over 300 pledging members and friends support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Please consider a generous donation today! Contributions placed in an envelope will be credited toward your pledge or gift.

### **OFFERTORY**

Cello Suite No. 3, Allemande .... *Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685-1750)  
Pablo Mahave-Veglia, baroque cello

### **\*FLOWER COMMUNION**

Receiving Divine Gifts ..... Rebecca Froom  
Viens, Mallika, les lianes en fleurs  
“The Flower Duet” from *Lakmé*

*Clément P. Léo Delibes* (1836-1891)

Rachel Gitner, soprano; Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano

### **\*HYMN 118**

This Little Light of Mine

## **\*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION** *(sung twice; please join us!)*

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

When you walk from here, When you walk from here,  
Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, And with God's humble care.

**POSTLUDE**

Dance ..... *Dmitri Shostakovich (1906-1975)*

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

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**TODAY – June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

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**Children's Religious Education (CRE)**

Today is our multi-generational Flower Communion service and the CRE kidz get to stay for the whole service. Feel free to pick up a green little goodie bag to use in the service. If your baby gets fussy, you are welcome to listen to the piped-in service from the nursery.

**Thanks in advance to all the kidz who have helped to make today's service extra special.**

**Note:** Next Sunday will be our final day of CRE for the church year, but we'll be back together on September 11<sup>th</sup>!

**The Celebration of Flower Communion**

We welcome you today to Flower Communion, a Unitarian ritual designed by Rev. Norbert Capek. Rev. Capek was a minister in the former Czechoslovakia, who lost his life during the Holocaust. *¡Presente!*

