

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, JUNE 3RD, 2018

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candles Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candles Cards are collected until the end of greetings.

PRELUDE

Behold the Lamb *Martin Willett* (b. 1960)
Broken Together *Mark Hall* (b. 1969)
Canción Andaluza: El Pan de Ronda *Tradicional Mexicana*
arrangement: *Edward Kilenyi* (1884 - 1968)

Daniel Padgett, piano

INTROIT

Find a Stillness text: *Rev. Carl G. Seaburg* (1922 - 1998)
tune: *Transylvanian hymn*
arrangement: *Larry Phillips* (b. 1944)

Find a stillness, hold a stillness,
Let the stillness carry me.
Find the silence, hold the silence,
Let the silence carry me.
In the spirit, by the spirit,
With the spirit giving power,
I will find true harmony.
Seek the essence, hold the essence,
Let the essence carry me.
Let me flower, help me flower,
Watch me flower, carry me.
In the spirit, by the spirit,
With the spirit giving power,
I will find true harmony.

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

***HYMN 43 & PROCESSION OF THE FLOWERS**

The Morning, Noiseless

sung to the tune of Hymn 299 Make Channels for the Streams of Love

1 The morning, noiseless, flings its gold, and still is evening's pace; and
silently the earth is rolled amid the vast of space.

2 Night moves in silence round the pole, the stars sing on unheard;
their music pierces to the soul, yet borrows not a word.

3 In quietude the spirit grows, and deepens hour to hour; in calm
eternal onward flows its all-redeeming power.

4 Attend, O soul; and hear at length the spirit's silent voice; in stillness
labor; wait in strength; and, confident, rejoice.

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

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

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.
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*HYMN 391

Voice Still and Small

Voice still and small, deep inside all, I hear you call, singing. In storm and rain, sorrow and pain, still we'll remain singing. Calming my fears, quenching my tears, through all the years, singing.

SERMON

Silence Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Blessed Be the Flower That Triumphs

music: *Elizabeth Alexander (b. 1962)*

text: *Michael deVernon Boblett*, adapted by the composer

Blessed be the flower that triumphs
Over snows, over thorns, over withered stems,
Over windswept mountains, over deserts cruel and dry.
Blessed be the flower that triumphs.

Blessed be the flower that triumphs
Over wars, over change, over centuries,
Over barbed wire fences, over soldiers' heavy feet.
Blessed be the flower that triumphs.

Blessed be the flower that triumphs
Over well-meaning hands bent on gathering.
Over small closed rooms, with their vases hard and cold.
Blessed be the flower that triumphs.

Blessed be the flower that triumphs
Over vain words of priests and of poets' pens
And attempts to domesticate its wild, wild Truth.
Blessed be the flower that triumphs.

Blessed be the flower that triumphs
Over past, over death, over silences,
Enduring beyond iron and tears and severed roots,
And restoring to all things a joyful smallness.
Blessed be the flower that triumphs at last.

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 289 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

Flowers of the Forest

Traditional Scottish, arrangement: Metcalf/Buckles

Julie Metcalf, viola; Mark David Buckles, guitar

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

FLOWER COMMUNION Rev. Beth Robbins and Erica Long

*HYMN 396

I Know This Rose Will Open

arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

I know this rose will open. I know my fear will burn away.

I know my soul will unfurl its wings. I know this rose will open.

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

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

Where You Go *Shoshana Jedwab* (b. 1964)

choral 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

'Cause your people are my people

Your people are mine

Your people are my people

Your divine, my divine

POSTLUDE

Prelude No. 15 in G Major *Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685 - 1750)

from *The Well-Tempered Clavier, Book II*

Daniel Padgett, piano

Today in Family Ministry

For today's intergenerational worship, children and youth are invited to sit with their families or join Beth and Erica 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 *Voice Still and Small* and return during our closing hymn, *I Know This Rose Will Open*.

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.

June Share the Plate: Summer Camp

Each summer, our own Rev. George Whitehouse, Minister at Large, works with the Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry in partnership with the National Forest Service to get kids and youth off the city streets and into the woods. Our gifts today will be directed to support their life-changing work. *Thank you for your generosity!*