Welcome!

TO ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Whether you are a longtime member, a regular guest, or a first-time visitor, we warmly welcome you to this morning's service. The experience of worship in this congregation strives to create a *community of seekers*, celebrating and nurturing a broad diversity of personal spiritual journeys.

Unitarian Universalism is rooted in a rich, historic tradition that embraces the ancient foundations of Jewish and Christian teaching and the flowering of liberal religious thought in early New England. It also affirms the truths of all of humanity's sacred paths as inspirations for our spiritual growth. Through quiet prayer and meditation, beautiful music, the sharing of our sorrows and joys, and the message of the pulpit, we try to create a variety of textures and perspectives to speak to many different minds and hearts.

Most significantly, since its founding in 1729, Arlington Street Church has been "gathered in love and service for justice and peace." The ultimate meaning we can give to our experience here together is the challenge we take into our hearts to go forth from this place, working to transform and heal our lives and relationships, our community, and the world!

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OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH "We covenant to affirm and promote the goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all."

This is the sixth of the seven principles and purposes of Unitarian Universalism that our congregations covenant to affirm and promote. To read all seven, as well as the six sources of our free faith, please see the *Our Faith* brochure in the pew rack.

ALLELUIA!

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

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education classes are held during the 11:00 AM service downstairs in the Perkins Room. Infant care is provided in the nursery, right off the sanctuary. An usher will be happy to lead you and your children there. For further information about our Children's Religious Education program, please contact the church office.

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.

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."

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church. The members are: Tori Bell, Marilyn Castriotta, Doug Fiero, Danny Fournier, Carmen Griggs, Elizabeth Lindholm (Co-Chair), Mickey Randazza, Jenn Shaw, and Mark Watanabe. Officers of the Corporation are Herbert Gleason (moderator), Mary Ann Hardenbergh (vice-moderator), Karl Paulnack (Council Chair), and Carol Smith (clerk).

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SUNDAY, MAY 10TH, 2009 HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!

WE COVENANT TO AFFIRM AND PROMOTE

A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

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PRELUDE

Acht Menuette, KV 315a W. A. M. Molly Wood, piano

W. A. Mozart (1756 – 1791)

WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

CHALICE LIGHTING

Give Thanks to She

Nick Page (b. 1952)

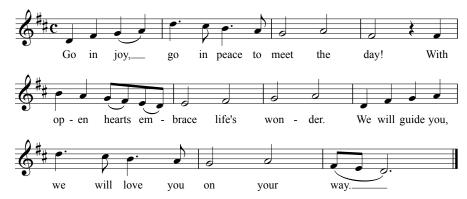
*HYMN 357

Bright Morning Stars

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Go In Joy

text: Barbara Pescan music: Bart Bradfield



The children are invited to leave for their classes with Erick DuPree. All children are welcome!

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW AND JOY Todd Rinehart

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, and clicking on "Worship."

We Pray text: Spiritual "Balm in Gilead" and *Nick Page Nick Page* (b. 1952)

J. Jacob Krause, baritone; Daniel Ross, tenor

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 21

For the Beauty of the Earth

SERMON Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

Are We There Yet?

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

We All Come from the Goddess

Zsuzsanna Budapest (b. 1940)

We all come from the Goddess and to her we will return Like a drop of rain flowing to the ocean.

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

Ave Maria J. S. Bach (1685 – 1750) and Daniel Ross, tenor Charles Gounod (1818 – 1893)

*Hymn

Oh Mama Bakudala Trad. Xhosa (South African)

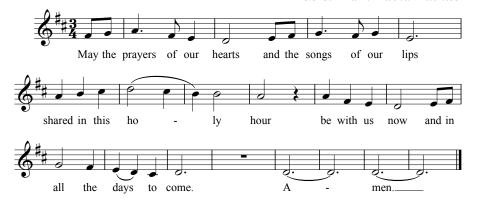
Oh Mama Bakudala Babe Thandaza Babe thandaza, Babe thandaza

"Our mothers and grandmothers used to pray."

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

May the Prayers of Our Hearts

text: Anonymous music: Mark David Buckles



*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

POSTLUDE

"O Beautiful May!", Op. 375 Johann Strauss (1825 – 1899) Molly Wood, piano

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

Please silence your cell phone. Thank you!

...and Service is Our Gift

Alma Antioniotti, Assistant Treasurer Gail Jennes, Assistant Treasurer Lois Hartsough, Lead Worship Coordinator Paul Babbit, Head Greeter Rob Cuddi, Head Usher Todd Rinehart, Candles Coordinator

