# Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22 ND, 2012

#### **PRELUDE**

Selections from Ballet Suites No. 1 & 3

Molly Wood, piano

Dmitri Shostakovich (1906-1975)

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

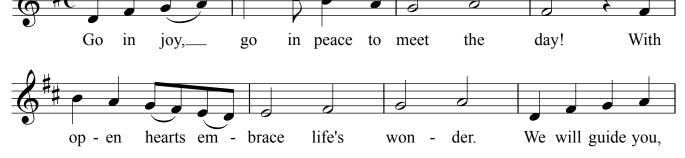
#### **CHALICE LIGHTING**

# WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS AND GREETINGS

from, In God's Name ...... text: Sandy Eisenberg Sasso illustrations: Phoebe Stone

## CHILDREN'S BLESSING

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





During the Children's Blessing, all children are always welcome to join us for Children's Religious Education!

# \*HYMN 23

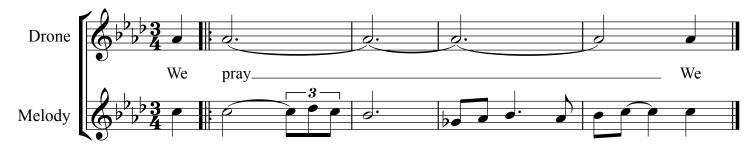
**Bring Many Names** 

# **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, by clicking on "Worship."

Some of us pray with our words, some of us pray through our actions, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and one another. As you feel called, please join us in singing the chorus of *Healing Prayer*.

Healing Prayer ...... music: Nick Page (b. 1952) text: African American Spiritual "Balm in Gilead" and Nick Page Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; J. Jacob Krause, baritone



#### 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,

El amor es el espíritu

de nuestra congregación

Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.

Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:

Convivir en paz,

To speak our truths in love, Hablar nuestras verdades con amor, And to help one another. Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

#### \*Hymn 8

Mother Spirit, Father Spirit

### **SERMON**

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

#### **ANTHEM**

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals; Joanna Lubkin, vocals

# 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**

#### \*HYMN 201

Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!

### \*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**

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

# **TODAY – January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012**

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

Today Laura, our Religious Educator/Artist in Residence is in Rochester, NY at the Unitarian Universalist church where she grew up. Laura's nephew, Ezra Walden Kirby, will be dedicated there this morning. She will be back next week and sends her love!

A big thanks to Claire for reading the story as part of the service and for JP, Isa, and parents for helping the children add details to their cardboard buildings in the Perkins Room. Come check out the Neighborhood!

**Note:** After the service next Sunday, there will be a Coming of Age meeting for our middle school youth. *Tending the Flame*, a group for parents and other children's "resident theologians," will be meeting, as well. All are welcome! And, if you would like to attend the Chinese New Year parade in Chinatown, Laura would love your company! Please contact her at LES@ASCBoston.org.