

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 24TH, 2021

PRELUDE

Bright Morning Stars *American Folk Song*; arrangement: *Bonjovi Verdejo*

Hope *Yiruma*, arrangement: *Shigeo Ida* (b. 1978)

Light of a Clear Blue Morning *Dolly Parton* (b. 1946)

Yulia Yun, piano

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

Rev. Joanna Lubkin, Affiliated Minister

We Hold Hope Close *Rev. Theresa Inés Soto*

In this community, we hold hope close.

We don't always know what comes next, but that cannot dissuade us.

We don't always know just what to do, but that will not mean
that we are lost in the wilderness.

We rely on the certainty beneath,
the foundation of our values and ethics.

We are the people who return to love like a North Star
and to the truth that we are greater together than we are alone.

Our hope does not live in some glimmer of an indistinct future.

Rather, we know the way to the world of which we dream,
and by covenant and the movement forward of one right action
and the next, we know that one day we will arrive at home.

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

INTROIT

Yonder Come Day *Traditional African-American Spiritual*

Ann-Marie Iacoviello, soprano

Yonder come day, day is a-breaking

Yonder come day, oh my soul

Yonder come day, day is a-breaking

Sun is a risin', in my soul

GREETINGS Patrick Cooleybeck, Worship Coordinator

HYMN 126

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing ... text: *Rev. Robert Robinson* (1735 – 1790)
& *Rev. Eugene B. Navias* (1928 – 2014)
music: *John Wyeth, Repository of Sacred Music* (1813)

Tevan Goldberg, piano and vocals

Come, thou fount of every blessing
Tune our ears to sing thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
While the hope of life's perfection
Fills our hearts with joy and love
Teach us ever to be faithful
May we still thy goodness prove

Come, thou fount of every vision
Lift our eyes to what may come
See the lion and the lambkin
Dwell together in thy home
Hear the cries of war fall silent
Feel our love glow like the sun
When we all serve one another
Then our heaven is begun

Come, thou fount of inspiration
Turn our lives to higher ways
Lift our gloom and desperation
Show the promise of this day
Help us bind ourselves in union
Help our hands tell of our love
With thine aid, O fount of justice
Earth be fair as heaven above

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

Hana Omori, piano and vocals; Kazuhiro Omori, guitar

To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service, please submit it in advance [here](#). During the service, candles are welcome in the Zoom chat.

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 124

Be That Guide text: *Carl Seaburg* (1922 – 1998)
music: *Thomas Benjamin* (b. 1940)

Tevan Goldberg, piano and vocals

Be that guide whom love sustains
Rise above the daily strife
Lift on high the good you find
Help to heal the hurts of life

Be that helper nothing daunts
Doubt of friend or taunt of foe
Ever strive for liberty
Show the path that life should go

Be that builder trusting good
Bitter though the test may be
Through all ages they are right
Though they build in agony

Be that teacher faith directs
Move beyond the old frontier
Though the frightened fear that faith
Be tomorrow's pioneer!

READING

A House Called Tomorrow *Alberto Ríos* (b. 1952)
Barbara Seidl

SERMON

A House Called Tomorrow Rev. Joanna Lubkin

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Blessed Unrest *Zo Tobi* (b. 1985)

Oh I am waking up to find my world
Between the dying and being reborn
I see what is and I see what could be
Can't close my eyes again and go back to sleep

Fill my days with blessed unrest
And my nights with dreams of justice
Make me a vessel for the turning of the tide

How can I change our course, just a lonely voice?
Wish I could lose myself in all the noise
But if we all would rise, a generation proud
Then with a mighty song, we turn this world around...

Fill my days with blessed unrest
And my nights with dreams of justice
Make me a vessel for the turning of the tide
Fill my days with blessed unrest
And my nights with dreams of justice
Make me a vessel for the turning of the tide

Ancestors all behind
And before me every child
I bring the power of a long unbroken line

So when our time is through, I want to know
We did what we came to do for the Future Ones
So in our darkest days, may we all be strong
And give our lives so life may go on

Fill my days with blessed unrest
And my nights with dreams of justice
Make me a vessel

Fill my days with blessed unrest
And my nights with dreams of justice
Make me a vessel for the turning of the tide

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY DURING THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC

Friends, these are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary generosity. Many income-generating events and church rentals have had to be cancelled or postponed, putting a huge strain on the church budget. **Our ministers and staff are continuing to work; our goal is to continue to pay them.** You can text the word GIVE to (617) 300-0509 or scan the QR code to give any amount you'd like. Even more helpful for cash flow would be to set up [automatic](#)



[payments](#) via bank transfer or credit card. Our treasurer, Liz Teixeira, (treasurer@ascboston.org) would be happy and grateful to assist you with this process! In addition, please consider making an extra gift to sustain Arlington Street this month. Together though apart, we can thrive! *Thank you for your steadfastness and support!*

OFFERTORY

We Shall Be Known *Karisha Longaker (b. 1976)*

Ann-Marie Iacoviello, soprano

We shall be known by the company we keep
By the ones who circle round to tend these fires
We shall be known by the ones who sow and reap
The seeds of change, alive from deep within the earth
It is time now, it is time now that we thrive
It is time we lead ourselves into the well
It is time now, and what a time to be alive
In this Great Turning, we shall learn to lead in love
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PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

SHARE THE PLATE: FRIDAY NIGHT SUPPER PROGRAM

From today through January 30th, our Share the Plate offering will be given to the Friday Night Supper Program. Established at Arlington Street Church



in 1984, they provide nutritious, home-cooked meals to Boston's hungry and unhoused people. In addition, they distribute warm clothing and outerwear throughout the winter. This month, we are grateful to Boston Healthcare for the Homeless, which will be providing free flu vaccines to our guests. *Thank you for your generosity!*

HYMN 1028

The Fire of Commitment text: *Rev. Mary Katherine Morn* (b. 1961)
music: *Rev. Jason Shelton* (b. 1972)

Daniel Rosensweig, piano and vocals

From the light of days remembered
Burns a beacon bright and clear
Guiding hands and hearts and spirits
Into faith set free from fear.

When the fire of commitment sets our mind and soul ablaze
When our hunger and our passion meet to call us on our way
When we live with deep assurance of the flame that burns within
Then our promise finds fulfillment and our future can begin

From the stories of our living
Rings a song both brave and free
Calling pilgrims still to witness
To the life of liberty

When the fire of commitment sets our mind and soul ablaze
When our hunger and our passion meet to call us on our way
When we live with deep assurance of the flame that burns within
Then our promise finds fulfillment and our future can begin

From the dreams of youthful vision
Comes a new, prophetic voice
Which demands a deeper justice
Built by our courageous choice

When the fire of commitment sets our mind and soul ablaze
When our hunger and our passion meet to call us on our way
When we live with deep assurance of the flame that burns within
Then our promise finds fulfillment and our future can begin

BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

For our benediction, you are invited to put your hands over your heart in Namaste

I bow to the Divine in You.

RECESSIONAL

Where You Go (I Will Go) *Shoshana Jedwab* (b. 1964)
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

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
For your people are my people
Your people are mine
Your people are my people
Your divine, my divine

POSTLUDE

We Shall Be Known *Karisha Longaker* (b. 1976)
arrangement: *R. J. Dhand*

Yulia Yun, organ



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