



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2023

PRELUDE

I Stand in Awe Before the Word..... *Seokjoo Yoo*

arrangement: *Soohwan Kim*

You Were Created to Receive the Greatest Love.....*Min Seob Lee*

Hyunju Jung, piano

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

John O'Connor

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

INTROIT

Oseh Shalom.....text: *Liturgy of the Kaddish*, adapted

music: *Joshua Bornfield* (b. 1980)

Oseh shalom bimromav
Hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu
V'al kol Yisrael
V'al kol ha'arets
V'imru, v'imeru: amein.

May he who makes peace in high places,
Make peace for us and for all Israel,
And for all the lands
And let us say: amen.

GREETINGSPatrick Cooleybeck, Worship Coordinator

***HYMN 1032**

Daoona Nayeesh..... text: *Samir Badri* (b. 1952)

music: *Ted Warmbrand* (b. 1943)

Daoona nayeesh beesalaam
Daoona nayeesh Beeamaan
Daoona nansij; Ahlaam
Daoona namoot beesalaam

Let us live in peace
Let us live in inner peace
Let us weave our dreams together
Let us die in peace

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

Samir Badri, a Muslim, and Ted Warmbrand, a Jew, were both featured at a peace rally in Arizona before the U.S. bombing of Iraq (1998) and then Afghanistan. Samir wrote this prayer, and Ted set it to music.

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary *John W. Thompson* (b. 1950) & *Randy Scruggs* (1953–2018)
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

*To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service,
please submit it in advance at ASCBoston.org.
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 out 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 159

A Song of Peace: A Patriotic Song.....text: *Lloyd Stone* (1912–1993)
("This is My Song") music: *Jean Sibelius* (1865–1957)

This is my song, O G*d of all the nations
A song of peace for lands afar and mine
This is my home, the country where my heart is
Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine
But other hearts in other lands are beating
With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean
And sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover
And skies are everywhere as blue as mine

O hear my song, thou G*d of all the nations
A song of peace for their land and for mine

SERMON

What's a UU to Do? John O'Connor

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

How Long..... text & music: *Pepper Choplin* (b. 1957)

How long, how long 'til this world is free from suffering?
How long, how long 'til blessed peace will reign?
How long, how long 'til the pow'r of love will come
And heaven's will be done? How long, how long?

How long, how long 'til every gun is silenced?
How long, how long 'til hate and war shall end;
'Til every battle's thunder will fade to blessed peace
And sounds of war will cease? How long, how long?

Press on, press on, let faith and hope sustain you.
Press on, press on, keep working for the day
When all of G*d's children will live in peace as one.
Until that new day comes, press on, press on.

Send me, send me to work for the kingdom.
Send me, send me to go and live for peace.
Until the love of heaven to earth shall descend
And peace will reign again, send me, send me.

Press on, we'll press on. We will sing a peaceful song!
But still we're praying on, how long, how long?

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Friends, these are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary generosity. Since 1729, the support of our community has allowed Arlington Street to thrive as a beacon of love, service, justice, and peace. This congregation is entirely self-supporting. In addition, we share each Sunday's collection with a partner in our vital mission. It's up to us to finance the beloved spiritual community we want to create! Today, we invite you to be part of Arlington Street's story of

devotion, innovation, and transformational generosity. Please consider making a special gift to this morning's offering.



WAYS TO GIVE

1. Scan the QR code
2. Visit tinyurl.com/GiveASC
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4. Text the word "GIVE" to (617) 300-0509
5. Mail a check to Arlington Street Church

If you're ready to give regularly, you can set up automatic payments at tinyurl.com/GiveASC or by contacting Liz Teixeira at Treasurer@ASCBoston.org. Rev. Kim, Rev. Beth, and many of our most devoted members and friends pledge 5-10% of their income each year. In addition, we encourage you to provide now for a future gift to Arlington Street by remembering the church in your will. Thank you for helping to ensure a robust future for our beloved spiritual community!

Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

OCTOBER SHARE THE PLATE:

LIBRARY AND LEARNING CENTER FOR TIBETAN REFUGEES

Ani Choyang was raised in central Tibet. When she was 18 years old, in the dark of night, she slipped across the border and spent 35 days walking across the frozen Himalaya to Nepal and then to India, seeking to escape the repressive Chinese government, attend school for the first time, and ordain as a nun with His Holiness the Dalai Lama. Ani-la did all these things and more, including teaching herself English, earning a doctorate in Buddhist philosophy, and winning a prestigious residency for the advanced study of science at Emory University. Today, she lives in Southern India, where she serves as the abbess at Jangchub Choeling Nunnery, in charge of the education and wellbeing of 285 nuns, ages 7 to 80 years old. Partnering with [The Tibet Fund](#), her next dream is to build a library and learning center so the nuns can complement their traditional studies with math, science, and computer science education.

This is an extraordinary opportunity to support Tibetan refugees and the advancement of women who have overcome unimaginable challenges to secure an education. To make your gift, please **scan the QR code** above; visit tinyurl.com/GiveASC; or **text** the amount you want to give and the word **SHARE** (ex. \$50 SHARE) to **(617) 300-0509**. *Thank you for your generosity!*

OFFERTORY

Let It Be Me..... *Emily Saliers* (b. 1963)

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

Bek Zehr, vocals

Sticks and stones, battle zones
A single light bulb on a single thread for the black
Sirens wail, history fails
Rose-colored glass begins to age and crack
While the politicians shadowbox the power ring
In an endless split decision never solve anything
From a neighbor's distant land,
I heard the strain of the common man

Let it be me (this is not a fighting song)
Let it be me (not a wrong for a wrong)
Let it be me
If the world is night, shine my life like a light

Well the world seems spent, and the president
Has no good idea of who the masses are
Well I'm one of them and I'm among friends
We're trying to see beyond the fences in our own backyards
I've seen the kingdoms blow like ashes in the winds of change
But the power of truth is the fuel for the flame
So the darker the ages get, there's a stronger beacon yet

Let it be me...

In the kind word you speak, in the turn of the cheek
When your vision stays clear in the face of your fear
Then you see turning out a light switch is their only power
When we stand like spotlights in a mighty tower
All for one and one for all, then we sing the common call

Let it be me...

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

***HYMN**

Peace, Salaam, Shalom..... *Pat Humphries* (b. 1960) & *Sandy Opatow*

BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

RECESSIONAL

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

Where you go I will go, beloved	For your people are my people
Where you go I will go	Your people are mine
Where you go I will go, beloved	Your people are my people
Where you go I will go	Your divine, my divine

POSTLUDE

Jacob's Blessing..... *Insik Kim*
Hyunju Jung, piano



** Out of respect for Arlington Street Church members and friends who are Jewish,
we follow the tradition of not spelling out G*d's name.*

Flowers on the High Pulpit

Would you like to make a gift of flowers for the entire congregation to enjoy on a Sunday morning? You can make your dedication in memory, in honor, or in celebration of someone or something you love.

You can have flowers delivered or bring your own (a minimum of two dozen flowers is perfect for our huge space). Please email office@ASCBoston.org to claim your date! *Thank you!*