

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1ST, 2013

PRELUDE

Prelude in A minor, from *The Well-Tempered Clavier Book 2*

J.S. Bach (1695-1750)

Intermezzo in A Major, Op. 118 No. 2

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Nick Place, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Hymn 223 Rock of Ages, Let Our Song

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

INTROIT

Come Ready and See Me *Richard Hundley* (b. 1931)

Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; Nick Place, piano

KINDLING THE CHANUKIAH Judah Leblang

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

Hope Ann Clarke, Post-Doctoral Intern Minister

DEDICATION OF AUGUST MELLO JAMES KNOWLTON

Milourdes Augustin and Michael Henry James Knowlton

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction text: *Barbara Pescan*

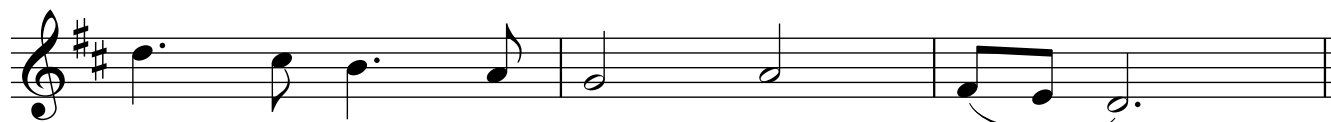
music: *Bart Bradfield*



Go in joy,— go in peace to meet the day! With



op - en hearts em - brace life's won - der. We will guide you,



we will love you on your way.

*At this time, all children are welcome to join
the Children's Religious Education program!*

*HYMN 40

The Morning Hangs a Signal

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.”

Spirit of Life (Hymn 123)

Spirit of Life, come unto me.	Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí.
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.	Y al corazón, cántale tu compasión.
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;	Sopla al volar, sube en la mar;
Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.	Hasta moldear la justicia de la vida
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;	Arráigame, libérame,
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.	Fuente de Amor, ven a mí, ven a mí.

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 86**

Blessed Spirit of My Life

SERMON

Your Wild and Precious Life Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

CANTICLE

Geistliches Wiegenlied, Op. 91 *Johannes Brahms* (1833-1897)

Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano

Rachel Kelly, violin

Nick Place, piano

You who hover around these palms in night and wind,
You holy angels, silence the treetops, my child is sleeping.
You palms of Bethlehem, in the roaring wind
How can you today bluster so angrily!
Oh roar not so!
Be still, bow softly and gently;
Silence the treetops! My child is sleeping.
The child of heaven endures the discomfort,
Oh, how tired he has become of earthly sorrow.
Oh, now in sleep, gently softened, his pain fades.
Silence the treetops! My child is sleeping.
Fierce cold comes rushing. How shall I cover the little child's limbs?
Oh, all you angels, winged ones, wandering in the wind.
Silence the treetops! My child is sleeping.

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

Sarabande, from Partita No. 1 in Bb Major ... *J.S. Bach* (1685-1750)
Nick Place, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 108

My Life Flows on in Endless Song

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

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

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

Étude in C# minor, Op. 10 No. 4 *Frédéric Chopin* (1810-1849)
Nick Place, piano

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

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Laura Evonne our religious educator/artist in residence is away this Sunday. Erica, our religious education assistant, is here along with our amazing volunteers as we return to our age-based groups.

- The K-2nd graders and Nancy are reading "One Candle" and learning about Chanukah
- The 2nd-5th graders and Sarah are beginning their study of Islam by reading "The Hundredth Name"
- Our 5th-8th graders and Art are discussing the origins of Unitarian Universalism

If you would like to learn more about CRE and how you can get involved, please email Erica at elong@ascboston.org.

Mark David Buckles and the choir are away this Sunday.
Today, we thank Nick Place, Glorivy Arroyo, and
Rachel Kelly for their beautiful music!