

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2ND, 2012

ADVENT 1 ~ HOPE

PRELUDE

Piano Sonata in C Major *Joseph Haydn* (1732-1809)
Molly Wood, piano

WELCOME

INTROIT

Our Doors Are Open *Herb Tyson* (b. 1951)
Herb Tyson, guitar and vocals

CHALICE LIGHTING *Ann & Nathaniel Clarke*

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

Hope *Catie Scudera, Intern Minister*

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!*

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

NEW MEMBER JOINING CEREMONY

Responsive Reading 468, "We Need One Another"

*HYMN 390

Gaudeamus Hodie (translation: "Let Us Rejoice Today")

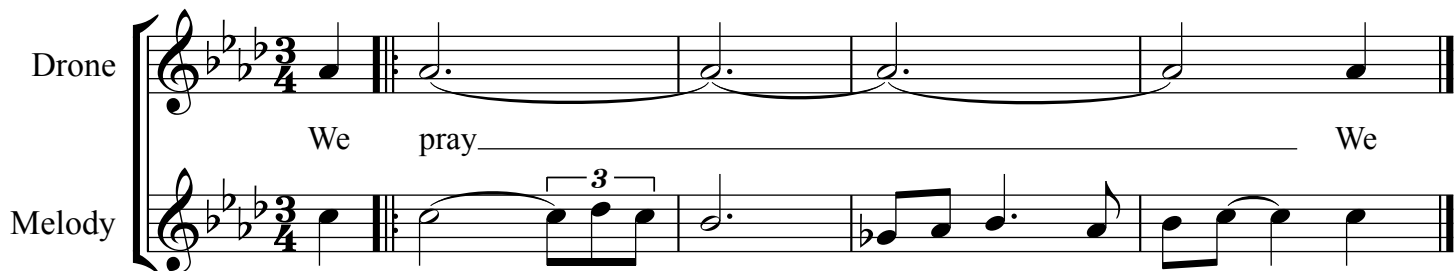
COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

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 words, some of us pray through action, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and to 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; Julie Gregorio, soprano



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 225**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

SERMON

Waiting Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

Sinfony, from *Messiah* *G. F. Handel* (1685-1759)
Molly Wood, piano

CANTICLE

Comfort Ye, from *Messiah* text: *Isaiah* 40: 1-4
Ev'ry Valley, from *Messiah* music: *G.F. Handel*
Jonathan Price, tenor; Molly Wood, piano

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

And the Glory of the Lord, from *Messiah* text: *Isaiah* 40: 5
music: *G.F. Handel*

***HYMN 226**

People, Look East

***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

Allegro in C major *Leopold Mozart (1719-1787)*
Molly Wood, piano

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

TODAY in CRE

Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Our theme for December is *Sleeping*. Today, we'll harvest veggies from our garden as we put it to bed for the winter. Then we can prep and package the herbs for our homes, for gifts, and to sell at the Holiday Bazaar.

Note: At 12:30 the youth group will meet in the Perkins room, and the parents group meets with Lisa Mobayed in the stage right room.

December 9th

We're having a holiday craft-making party from 12:30-2:00 in the parish hall! Come one, come all! Create bird feeders, cards, and scented oranges to sell at the Holiday Bazaar.