He rules the world with truth and grace, And make the nations prove The glories of his righteousness, And wonders of his love...

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

Christmas Meditation (adapted) by Rev. Christine C. Robinson Juliette Randazza, Jamie Crawford, Jessye Crawford, Anna Cooleybeck, Lena Pontes

*CHORAL BENEDICTION (please join us!)

We Wish You a Merry Christmas trad. 16th cent. English Carol

We wish you a Merry Christmas (x3) and a Happy New year.
Good tidings we bring to you and your kin.
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

POSTLUDE

SPECIAL THANKS TO

Bay Windows

Arlington Street Church staff, members, and friends

Arlington Street Youth ~ Anna Cooleybeck, Jamie Crawford, Jessye Crawford, Lena Pontes, and Juliette Randazza

Christmas Eve Extravaganza ~ Erin Frost, props; Mark David Buckles, music; Queen Cheryl, bubbles; and all the children

Holiday Pocket Cards ~ Laura Evonne Steinman

Lead Ushers ~ Dave Erbe, Greg Haig, Dan Moon, Philip Roberts, Ellen Spencer, and all of our ushers

Assistant Treasurers ~ Alma Antoniotti, Dave Erbe, Carol Fisher, Nancy George, Gail Jennes, Philip Roberts, Scott Schroeder, Ellen Spencer, and our Treasurer, Susie Nacco

Arlington Street Church Choir and Soloists

Polly Latham, Mickey Randazza, and Martin Anderson for the pointsettias and beautiful greenery

YOU, for your radiant presence here this evening!

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

Welcome Visitors!

Thank you for coming this evening! We invite you to return on Sunday mornings at 11:00 for a wonderful hour — the Soul of Sunday. We gather for beautiful music, singing and silence, and a sermon from Rev. Kim. Arlington Street is home to spiritual seekers of many diverse backgrounds and religious traditions. You are truly welcome in this beloved spiritual community!

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

"Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life."

This is the first of the six sources of Unitarian Universalism from which our living tradition draws. To read all six sources, as well as the seven principles of our free faith, please see the Our Faith brochure in the pew rack.

ALLELUIA!

At Arlington Street Church, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church.

THE MEMBERS ARE:

Art Nava & Deb Pontes (co-chairs)/ Carmen Griggs Richard Marshall / Shane McBride / Karl Paulnack Ellen Payzant / Harlow Robinson / Bob Sessions

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Dan Moon (council chair) / Samuel Gloyd & Diana Miller (co-moderators) / David McClain (clerk) / Susie Nacco (treasurer)

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

CRE begins every Sunday in the sanctuary. Children are sung out near the beginning of the service and gather downstairs in the Perkins Room for CRE. There is an adjacent toddler room for parents with children ages 1-5. Fussy babies and their parents are invited to the Nursery just off the Hunnewell Chapel, where a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service. For information about our Children's Religious Education program, please contact the church office or see the religious educator.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

FM amplification headsets are available from the ushers. Please do not remove them from the sanctuary. **Accessible** entry is via the ramp on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. **Braille** hymnals are available! Please ask an usher for assistance.

PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are available at the Welcome Table after worship. Additional parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, 2011
CHRISTMAS EVE BY CANDLELIGHT
5:00PM

And now,
let us allow Christmas
to overtake us
in all our haste
and unpreparedness
and renew the miracle of love
once again
in our lives

W.H. Auden, Christmas Oratorio, "For the Time Being"

Arlington Street Church Boston, Massachusetts Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist Boston, Massachusetts SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, 2011 Joe Della Penna, piano Molly Wood, organ

CHRISTMAS EVE BY CANDLELIGHT, 5 PM PRELUDE Selections of Christmas Carols and Songs arr. Joe Della Penna Selections from L'Organiste in C major César Franck (1822-1890) Introit Angels from the Realms of Glory ... arr. Mark David Buckles (b. 1980) text: James Montgomery (1771-1864), music: Henry Smart (1813-1879) *Processional Carol O Come, All Ye Faithful arr. Sir David Wilcocks (b. 1919) & Mark David Buckles (b. 1980) Maria Price and J. Jacob Krause, trumpets O come, all ye faithful, We, too, with gladness, joyful and triumphant, Thither bend our footsteps; O come ye, O come ye O come let us adore Him... to Bethlehem; Sing, choirs of angels, Come and adore Him, Sing in exultation, Born the King of angels; Sing, all ye citizens O come let us adore Him... of heaven above! Lo, humble shepherds, "Glory to God! hast'ning to His cradle, Glory in the Highest!' Leaving their flocks O come let us adore Him... in the fields, draw near. **CALL TO WORSHIP** Hark! The Herald Angels Sing arr. Mark David Buckles (b. 1980) text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), music: Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847) WELCOME AND GREETINGS Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie CHALICE LIGHTING The Truth About Reindeer Anna Cooleybeck, Jamie Crawford, Jessye Crawford, Lena Pontes, Juliette Randazza Rebecca Froom **CANTICLE** Happy Xmas (War Is Over), John Lennon (1940-1980) & Yoko Ono (b. 1933) Mark David Buckles, guitar arr. Mark David Buckles (b. 1980) War is over if you want it

from On the Night You Were Bor	
*Carol	, ,
Jingle Bells	
Dashing through the snow In a one horse open sleigh, O'er the fields we go Laughing all the way; Bells on bobtail ring, Making spirits bright; What fun it is to ride and sing A sleighing song tonight! CANTICLE O Magnum Mysterium	
Julie Gregorio, soprano; Emi Jonathan Price, tenor; J. Jaco	
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LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

A very merry Christmas And a happy New Year, Let's hope it's a good one, Without any fear.

War is over now.

All Hayle to the Days ... text: Thomas D'Urfey (1053-1723), & others music: Traditional English Carol, arr. Elizabeth Norton (b. 1959)

All hayle to the days That merite more praise Then all the rest of the year; And welcome the nights, That double delights As well for the far as the near: Good fortune attend Each merry man's friend That doth but the best that he may, Forgetting old wrongs

With Carrols and Songs

To drive the cold winter away.

Thus none will allow Of solitude now,

But merrily greets the time,

To make it appeare Of all the whole yeare

That this is accounted the Prime,

December is seene Apparel'd in greene And January, fresh as May, Comes dancing along With a cup or a Song

To drive the cold winter away.

This time of the yeare When Christmas tide Comes in like a Bride, Is spent in good cheare, Kind neighbours together to meet With Holly and Ivy clad, To sit by the fire, Twelve dayes in the yeare With friendly desire Much mirth and good cheare Each other in love to greet: In every household is had: Old grudges forgot The Countrey guise Is then to devise Are put in a pot, All sorrows aside they lay; Some gambols of Christmas play; The old and the young Whereas the yong men do Doth carrol this Song, Best that they can to

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

To drive the cold winter away.

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.

Drive the cold winter away.

OFFERTORY

O Tannenbaum Traditional German Carol Joe Della Penna, piano arr. Vince Guaraldi (1928-1978)

CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY AND CAROL

Silent Night, Holy Night

Silent Night, holy night All is calm, all is bright, Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child, Holy infant so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace...

Silent night, holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight, Glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia", Christ the Savior is Born!...

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light, Radiant beams from Thy holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord at Thy birth...

*CAROL

Joy to the World!

Joy to the world! The Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; Let every heart prepare him room And heaven and nature sing... Joy to the earth! The savior reigns: Let hearts their songs employ. While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains, Repeat the sounding joy...

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