

Silent night, holy night,  
Shepherds quake at the sight,  
Glories stream from heaven afar,  
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia,  
Christ the savior is born. (x2)

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. (x2)

**\*CAROL**

Joy to the World! ..... text: *Isaac Watts* (1674 – 1748)  
tune: *G.F. Handel* (1685 – 1759)  
music: *Lowell Mason* (1792 – 1872)

Joy to the world! The Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her king;  
Let every heart prepare him room  
And heaven and nature sing. (x3)  
Joy to the earth! The savior reigns!  
Let hearts their songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,  
Repeat the sounding joy. (x3)  
He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of his righteousness,  
And wonders of his love. (x3)

**\*BENEDICTION** .... Allie Dagg, Maya Cooleybeck, George Humphrey,  
Anna Cooleybeck, Jess Dagg, Lucy Humphrey  
Letter to a friend at Christmas (1513)  
*Giovanni Giocondo* (c. 1433 – 1515), adapted

**\*EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION** (please join in!)  
We Wish You a Merry Christmas ..... Trad. 16<sup>th</sup> Century  
*English Carol*

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

**POSTLUDE**

Prelude and Fugue on *Now is Born the Divine Christ Child*  
arranged: *David Lasky* (b. 1957)  
Xuan He, organ

**SPECIAL THANKS TO**

Rev. George G. Whitehouse, Minister at Large  
Our church bells, installed in 1861, had fallen silent by 1943.  
Over two and a half years, George repaired them, in secret,  
and played them for the first time on Christmas Eve, 1961.  
A plaque in George's honor was hung in the organ loft  
and dedicated this past Sunday, in celebration of his 80th birthday.

Arlington Street Church Youth  
Anna and Maya Cooleybeck, Jess and Allie Dagg, Lena and Maya Pontes,  
Lucy and George Humphrey, Nicholas Holt-Doucette

**Ushers**

Kevin Tyrrell (lead); Anna Jane Clutterbuck-Cook, Barb Seidl,  
Queen Cheryl, Deb Stein, John Engstrom, Michael Fisher, Mikey  
Patterson, Sam Jones, Stacey Sacks, Dave, Jess, & Allie Dagg

Art Nava, Our Treasurer

**Assistant Treasurers:**

Alma Antoniotti, Gail Jennes, Kevin Tyrrell, Nancy George,  
Nancy Perna, Paul Babbitt, Philip Roberts, Scott Schroeder

Arlington Street Church Choir and Soloists

Xuan He, organ

Julie Metcalf, violin and vocals

Joe Della Penna, piano

Robert Holley for the exquisite sanctuary decorations  
and to all of Santa Robert's Elves

Darrell and Rhonda Waters

for the fabulous outdoor seasonal greenery design

Sharon Gentges for producing our Christmas Eve Pop-Up Pageant with  
assistance from Dan Brotman, Rohn MacNulty, and Nancy Perna

Arlington Street Church staff, members, and friends

YOU, for your radiant presence here this evening!

**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; candles of sorrow and  
joy; and a sermon from Rev. Kim. Each Sunday offers programing  
for children and youth during the service, followed by lunch.  
Arlington Street is home to spiritual seekers  
of diverse backgrounds and religious traditions.  
You are truly welcome in this beloved spiritual community!

**Staff Directory**

**Parish Ministers**

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, *Senior Minister*  
Rev. George G. Whitehouse, *Minister at Large*  
Beth Robbins,  
*Interim Director of Family Ministry*

Erica Rose Long  
*Interim Assistant Director of Family Ministry*  
*Chaplain, Massachusetts General Hospital*

**Community Ministers**

Dr. Arthur Judge  
*Hospital Chaplain, retired*  
Rev. Clyde Grubbs  
*Spiritual Director*  
Rev. Fred Small  
*Minister for Climate Justice*

Rev. Joanna Lubkin  
*Chaplain, Wellesley College*

Rev. Vera O'Brien  
*Chaplain, Brigham and Women's Hospital*

**Intern Ministers**

Ali Jablonsky  
*Massachusetts General Hospital*  
Karlene Griffiths Sekou  
*Black Lives Matter, Boston*

Liz Weber  
*UU Church of Reading, Massachusetts*

**Music**

Mark David Buckles, *Director of Music*  
Xuan He, *Organist and Pianist*  
Rodger Clinton Vine, *Artist in Residence*

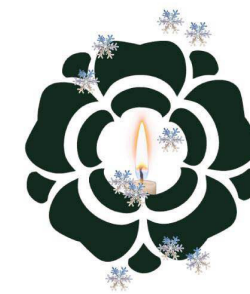
**Choir Section Leaders**

Katie Elledge, *Soprano*  
Katherine Maysek, *Alto*  
Daniel Rosensweig, *Tenor*

**Administration**

Jeffrey Bouchard, *Congregational Administrator*  
Adam Berman, *Bookkeeper*  
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Laurinda O'Connor, *Publications*

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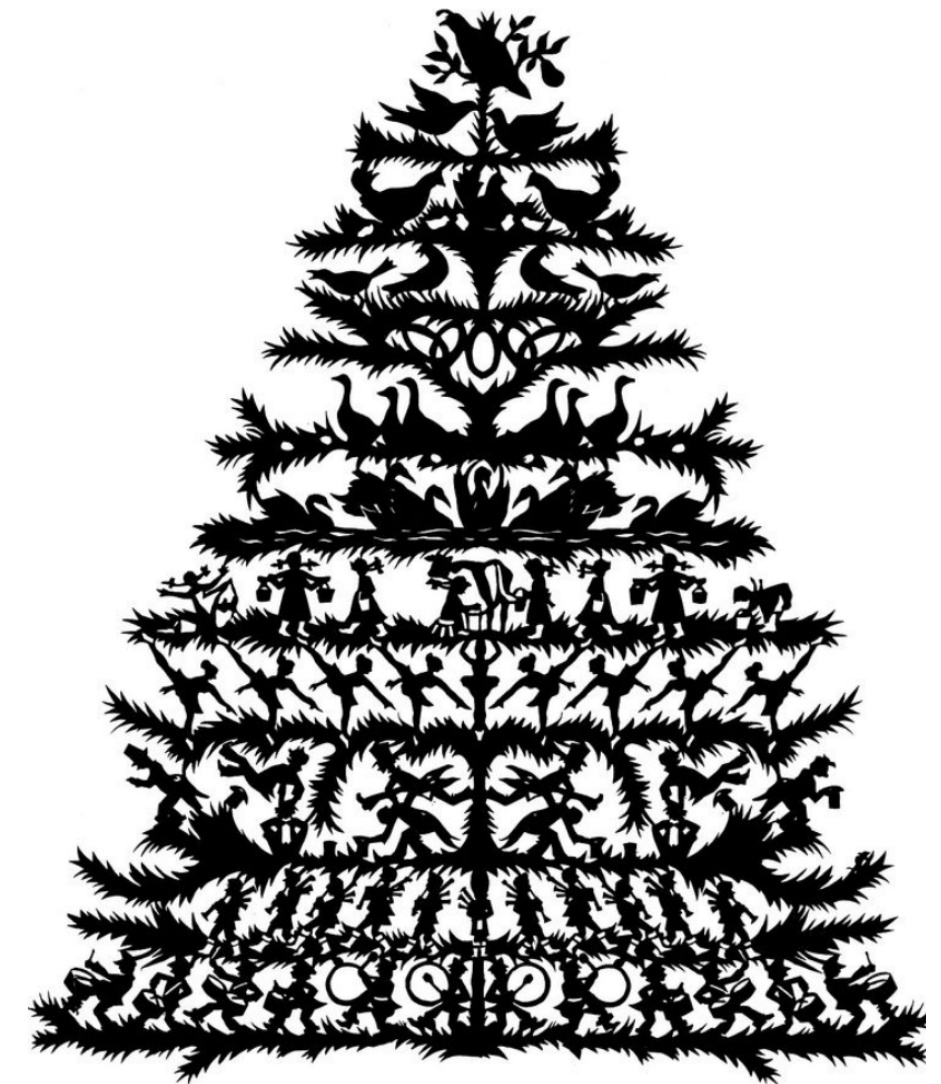


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STREET CHURCH**  
Unitarian Universalist

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## PRELUDE

Selection of Christmas Carols and Songs ..... arr. *Joe Della Penna*  
Joe Della Penna, piano

## INTROIT

Angels from the Realms of Glory ... text: *James Montgomery* (1771 – 1864)  
music: *Henry Smart* (1813 – 1879); arr. *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

## \*PROCESSIONAL CAROL

O Come, All Ye Faithful ..... arr. *Sir David Willcocks* (1919 – 2015)  
music and text attributed: *John Francis Wade* (1711 – 1786)

O come, all ye faithful,  
joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye  
to Bethlehem;  
Come and adore him,  
Born the king of angels;  
O come let us adore him (x3)  
Christ the Lord.

Lo, humble shepherds,  
hast'ning to his cradle,  
Leaving their flocks  
in the fields, draw near.

We, too, with gladness,  
Thither bend our footsteps;  
O come let us adore him (x3)  
Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels,  
Sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens  
of heaven above!

Glory to God!  
Glory in the Highest!  
O come let us adore him (x3)  
Christ the Lord.

**WELCOME AND GREETINGS** ..... Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

**CHALICE LIGHTING** ..... Allie Dagg, Jess Dagg,

George Humphrey, Lucy Humphrey,  
Maya Cooleybeck, Anna Cooleybeck

Christmas Is Subversive .... *Rev. Dr. Kendyl R. Gibbons* (b. 1955), adapted  
*The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.*

## \*CAROL

Go Tell It on the Mountain

**Chorus**  
*Go tell it on the mountain,  
Over the hills and everywhere;  
Go tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born!*

While shepherds kept their  
watching  
O'er silent flocks by night,  
Behold throughout the heavens  
There shone a holy light.

**Chorus**

The shepherds feared and trembled  
When lo! above the earth  
Rang out the angel chorus  
That hailed the baby's birth.

**Chorus**

Down in a lowly manger  
The humble babe was born,  
And God sent us salvation  
That blessed Christmas morn.

**Chorus**

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

## CHRISTMAS EVE POP-UP PAGEANT

Sharon Gentges, Beth Robbins,  
and a Cast of On-the-Spot Volunteer Children  
Nicholas Holt-Doucette, narrator

## CANTICLE

O Holy Night ..... text: *Placide Cappeau* (1808 – 1877)  
translation: *John S. Dwight* (1813 – 1893)  
music: *Adolphe C. Adam* (1803 – 1856)  
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Katie Elledge, soprano; Katherine Maysek, mezzo soprano

## SERMON

Wonder ..... Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

## CANTICLE

Canticle of the Turning  
*Gary Daigle, Rory Cooney, and Theresa Donohoo*

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals  
Julie Metcalf, violin and vocals  
Daniel Rosensweig, vocals

My soul cries out with a joyful shout  
that the God of my heart is great,  
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things  
that you bring to the one who waits.  
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight,  
and my weakness you did not spurn,  
So from east to west shall my name be blest.  
Could the world be about to turn?

## Chorus

*My heart shall sing of the day you bring.  
Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,  
And the world is about to turn.*

Though I am small, my God, my all,  
you work great things in me.  
And your mercy will last from the depths of the past  
to the end of the age to be.  
Your very name puts the proud to shame,  
and to those who would for you yearn,  
You will show your might, put the strong to flight,  
for the world is about to turn.

## Chorus

From the halls of power to the fortress tower,  
not a stone will be left on stone.  
Let the king beware for your justice tears  
every tyrant from his throne.  
The hungry poor shall weep no more,  
for the food they can never earn;  
There are tables spread, every mouth be fed,  
for the world is about to turn.

**Chorus**

Though the nations rage from age to age,  
we remember who holds us fast:  
God's mercy must deliver us  
from the conqueror's crushing grasp.  
This saving word that our forebears heard  
is the promise that holds us bound,  
'Til the spear and rod can be crushed by God,  
who is turning the world around.

## Chorus

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

## ANTHEM

There is No Rose of Such Virtue, from *A Ceremony of Carols*  
text: *Anonymous 15th century Middle English*  
music: *Benjamin Britten* (1913 – 1976)

There is no rose of such vertu  
As is the rose that bare Jesu.  
Alleluia,  
For in this rose containèd was  
Heaven and earth in litel space,  
Res miranda. [Thing of wonder]  
By that rose we may well see  
There be on God in persons three,  
Pares forma. [Equal in form]

The aungels sungen  
the shepherds to:  
Gloria in excelsis Deo,  
[Glory to God in the highest]  
Gaudeamus. [Let us rejoice]  
Leave we all this werldly mirth,  
And follow we this joyful birth:  
Transeamus. [Let us cross over]

## OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

You are invited to open your heart to the spirit of the season and practice gratitude through generosity. As we collect this evening's offering, please consider making a special gift in honor of Christmas. For 288 years, the generous support of this community has allowed Arlington Street Church to be a beacon of love, service, justice, and peace. As a convenient option, you may text the word GIVE to 617-300-0509 or scan this QR code. **Thank you for your stewardship and support!**



## OFFERTORY

Christmas Time Is Here ..... *Vince Guaraldi* (1928 – 1976)  
Joe Della Penna, piano

## \*CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY AND CAROL

Silent Night, Holy Night ..... text: *Josef Mohr* (1792 – 1848)  
translation: *John Freeman Young* (1820 – 1885)  
music: *Franz Gruber* (1787 – 1863)

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. (x2)

*continued on back*