

**Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist**

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2021

**PRELUDE**

A Song for All Seasons (Prayerful Hymn) ..... *Oliver Schroer* (1956 – 2008)

A Thousand Thank-Yous ..... *Oliver Schroer* (1956 – 2008)

Morning Star ..... *Oliver Schroer* (1956 – 2008)

Julie Metcalf, fiddle and viola

Mark David Buckles, piano

**WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING**

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Senior Minister

*The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.*

**INTROIT**

May Your Life Be As a Song ..... text: *Jim Scott* (b. 1946)

music: *Yuri Zaritsky*

Ann-Marie Iacoviello, soprano

May your life be as a song

Resounding with the dawn to sing awake the light

And softly serenade the stars

Ever dancing circles in the night

**GREETINGS** ..... Hala Hazar, Worship Coordinator

**HYMN 1068**

Rising Green ..... text & music: *Carolyn McDade* (b. 1935)

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

Julie Metcalf, viola

My blood doth rise in the roots of yon oak

Her sap doth run in my veins

Boundless my soul like the open sky

Where the stars forever have lain

Where the stars, where the stars

Where the stars forever have lain

My hands hold the weavings of time without end

My sight as deep as the sea

Beating, my heart sounds the measures of old

That of love's eternity

That of love, that of love  
That of love's eternity

I feel the tides as they answer the moon  
Rushing on a far distant sand  
Winging my song is the wind of my breast  
And my love blows over the land

And my love, and my love  
And my love blows over the land

My foot carries days of the old into new  
Our dreaming shows us the way  
Wondrous our faith settles deep in the earth  
Rising green to bring a new day

Rising green, rising green  
Rising green to bring a new day

### **COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY**

Sanctuary ..... *John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs (b. 1953)*  
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

Hana Omori, piano and vocals; Kazuhiro Omori, guitar

*To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service, please submit it in advance [here](#). 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 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.

### **HYMN**

Come Down, O Love Divine ..... text: *Bianco da Siena (c. 1350 – 1399)*  
translation: *Richard Frederick Littledale (1833 – 1890)*, alt.  
music: *Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872 – 1958)*

Daniel Rosensweig, piano and vocals

Come down, O Love divine  
Seek thou this soul of mine  
And visit it with thine own ardor glowing  
O Comforter, draw near  
Within my heart appear  
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing

O let it freely burn  
Till earthly passions turn  
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming  
And let its glorious light  
Shine ever on my sight  
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming

And so the glory strong  
For which the soul will long  
Shall far outpass the power of human telling  
For none can guess its grace  
Till we become the place  
Wherein the holy Spirit makes a dwelling

### **SERMON**

Do Good, Avoid Evil, Appreciate Your Lunacy, Pray for Help

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

### **SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER**

### **ANTHEM**

Tending the Spark ..... *Heather Houston*

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals  
Julie Metcalf, vocals

And we will care for each other  
As the world around us unravels  
And we will tend to the spark  
Of hope that lives within our grieving hearts

And we are here now in this present moment  
Lifting our voices and hearts  
And we are here now we have come together  
We are tending the spark

Of hope...  
Oh may it grow...

### **OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY DURING THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC**

Friends, these are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary generosity. Many income-generating events and church rentals have had to be cancelled or postponed, putting a huge strain on the church budget. **Our ministers and staff are continuing to work; our goal is to continue to pay them.** You can text the word GIVE to (617) 300-0509 or scan the QR code to give any amount you'd like. Even more helpful for cash flow would be to set up [automatic](#)



[payments](#) via bank transfer or credit card. Our treasurer, Liz Teixeira, ([treasurer@ascboston.org](mailto:treasurer@ascboston.org)) would be happy and grateful to assist you with this process! In addition, please consider making an extra gift to sustain Arlington Street this month. Together though apart, we can thrive! *Thank you for your steadfastness and support!*

## OFFERTORY

The Impossible Dream ..... text: *Joe Darion* (1911 – 2001)  
from *Man of La Mancha* music: *Mitch Leigh* (1928 – 2014)

Daniel Rosensweig, piano and vocals

To dream the impossible dream  
To fight the unbeatable foe  
To bear with unbearable sorrow  
To run where the brave dare not go

To right the unrightable wrong  
To love pure and chaste from afar  
To try when your arms are too weary  
To reach the unreachable star

This is my quest  
To follow that star  
No matter how hopeless  
No matter how far

To fight for the right  
Without question or pause  
To be willing to march  
Into hell for a heavenly cause

And I know if I'll only be true  
To this glorious quest  
That my heart will lie peaceful and calm  
When I'm laid to my rest

And the world will be better for this  
And one man, sore and covered with scars  
Still strove with his last ounce of courage  
To fight the unbeatable foe  
To reach the unreachable star

## PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

### FEBRUARY SHARE THE PLATE: RENEWAL HOUSE

For over forty years, Renewal House has provided temporary emergency shelter and advocacy services to individuals and families escaping domestic violence. Renewal House was one of the first domestic violence shelters in the state to provide shelter for male as well as female survivors and is sought out by other agencies for its expertise in attending to the spiritual needs of survivors. Renewal House works closely with other programs that serve the LGBTQ+ communities, as well as those that serve elders and individuals with disabilities, to support these under-served populations.



Among its many programs, Renewal House offers a 24-hour hotline, bilingual Spanish and English advocacy, support groups and pastoral counseling, English as a second language (ESL) classes and job training, and community outreach education. For more information, please visit the [Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry](#). *Thank you for your generosity!*

## **HYMN 205**

Amazing Grace ..... text: *John Newton* (1725 – 1807)  
tune: *Columbian Harmony* (1829)  
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

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

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a soul like me  
I once was lost but now am found  
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come  
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far  
And grace will lead me home

When we've been there ten thousand years  
Bright shining as the sun  
We've no less days to sing G\*d's praise  
Than when we'd first begun

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a soul like me  
I once was lost but now am found  
Was blind but now I see

## **BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

For our benediction, you are invited to put your hands over your heart in Namaste  
*I bow to the Divine in You.*

## **RECESSIONAL**

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

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals  
Julie Metcalf, percussion and vocals

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

## **POSTLUDE**

Sparkle of Starlight ..... *Rodney Miller* (b. 1962)

Julie Metcalf, fiddle

Mark David Buckles, guitar

*\* 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.*



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*This morning's pulpit flowers are a gift from the Richard Mattoli flower fund.  
Thank you, Richard!*