

# Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

*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 end of Greetings.*

## PRELUDE

Lyric Pieces, Op. 68 ..... *Edward Grieg* (1843 - 1907)

II. Grandmother's Minuet

III. At your feet

The Fair Hills Of Éiré, O!, Op. 91 ..... *Amy Beach* (1867 - 1944)

Kelly Lenahan, piano

## INTROIT

Here Together ..... *David Glasgow* (b. 1971)

We are here, here together,  
in this holy moment,  
and we're grateful for  
the winding road  
that brought us to this place.

## WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

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

## \*HYMN 389

Gathered Here

Gathered here in the mystery of the hour. Gathered here in one strong body. Gathered here in the struggle and the power. Spirit, draw near.

## CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Longtime Sun ..... *Mike Heron* (b. 1942)

from *A Very Cellular Song* .... arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

May the long - time\_ sun shine up - on\_ you,  
All\_\_\_\_\_ love sur - round you, And the pure\_\_\_\_\_  
light with - in\_ you guide\_\_\_\_\_ your way  
on, guide\_\_\_\_\_ your way on.

*At this time, all children are welcome to leave  
with Rev. Dave Egan!*

*Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie is away today  
and looks forward to being back with us next Sunday.*

## 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

### 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 1051

We Are ...  
For each child that's born, a morning star rises and sings to the  
universe who we are. For each child that's born, a morning star rises  
and sings to the universe who we are.

We are our grandmothers' prayers and we are our grandfathers'  
dreamings, we are the breath of our ancestors, we are the spirit of  
God. We are mothers of courage and fathers of time, we are daughters  
of dust and the sons of great visions, we're sisters of mercy and  
brothers of love, we are lovers of life and the builders of nations, we're  
seekers of truth and keepers of faith, we are makers of peace and the  
wisdom of ages.

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### SERMON

Being Good Ancestors ..... Rev. Joanna Lubkin

### SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

### ANTHEM

We Shall Be Known ..... *Karisha Longaker (b. 1976)*  
choral arrangement: *Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)*

We shall be known by the company we keep  
By the ones who circle round to tend these fires  
We shall be known by the ones who sow and reap  
The seeds of change, alive from deep within the earth  
It is time now, it is time now that we thrive  
It is time we lead ourselves into the well  
It is time now, and what a time to be alive  
In this Great Turning, we shall learn to lead in love  
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*\*You are invited to stand as you are willing and able.*

## OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 289 years, the abundant support of our community has allowed Arlington Street Church to remain a beacon for liberal religious values in downtown Boston. Your gifts in the Sunday plate sustain both the church and the larger community – half



of the offering is shared with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. As a convenient option, you may text the word GIVE to (617) 300-0509 (all texted gifts support church operations) or scan the QR code.

*Thank you for your stewardship and support!*

## OFFERTORY

May I Suggest ..... *Susan Werner (b. 1965)*

Rev. Joanna Lubkin and Mark David Buckles, vocals

May I suggest, may I suggest to you  
May I suggest this is the best part of your life  
May I suggest this time is blessed for you  
This time is blessed and shining almost blinding bright  
Just turn your head and you'll begin to see  
The thousand reasons that were just beyond your sight  
The reasons why, why I suggest to you  
Why I suggest this is the best part of your life  
  
There is a world that's been addressed to you  
Addressed to you, intended only for your eyes  
A secret world, a treasure chest to you  
Of private scenes and brilliant dreams that mesmerize  
A tender lover's smile, a tiny baby's hands,  
The million stars that fill the turning sky at night  
Oh I suggest, yes I suggest to you  
Yes I suggest this is the best part of your life  
  
There is a hope that's been expressed in you  
The hope of seven generations, maybe more  
This is the faith That they invest in you  
It's that you'll do one better than was done before  
Inside you know, inside you understand  
Inside you know what's yours to finally set right  
And I suggest, and I suggest to you  
And I suggest this is the best part of your life  
  
This is a song, comes from the west to you  
Comes from the west, comes from the slowly setting sun  
This is a song with a request of you  
To see how very short the endless days will run  
And when they're gone, and when the dark descends  
We'd give anything for one more hour of light  
May I suggest this is the best part of your life

## PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

### \*HYMN 1018

Come and Go With Me

1. Come and go with me to that land, Come and go with me to that land, Come and go with me to that land where I'm bound. (where I'm bound) Come and go with me to that land, Come and go with me to that land, Come and go with me to that land where I'm bound.
2. There'll be freedom in that land, There'll be freedom in that land, There'll be freedom in that land where I'm bound. (where I'm bound) There'll be freedom in that land, There'll be freedom in that land, There'll be freedom in that land where I'm bound.
3. There'll be justice in that land, There'll be justice in that land, There'll be justice in that land where I'm bound. (where I'm bound) There'll be justice in that land, there'll be justice in that land, There'll be justice in that land where I'm bound.
4. There'll be singin' in that land, There'll be singin' in that land, There'll be singin' in that land where I'm bound. (where I'm bound) There'll be singin' in that land, there'll be singin' in that land, There'll be singin' in that land where I'm bound.

### \*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

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

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

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  
'Cause your people are my people  
Your people are mine  
Your people are my people  
Your divine, my divine

### POSTLUDE

English Suite No. 3 in G minor, BWV 808 ..... *J.S. Bach* (1685 - 1750)  
VI. Gigue  
Kelly Lenahan, piano

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## Today in Family Ministry

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Today, after the Children's Blessing, Rev. Dave and our children will gather in the Perkins Room for a chalice lighting, a song, meditation, and joys and sorrows. Then they will continue their exploration of the Hebrew Bible with the story of Jonah and the Whale. The children will return to the sanctuary at the end of the service to join the Arlington Street Choir for the Recessional.

If you have arrived with a baby or small child who becomes restless, you are welcome to enjoy the nursery/playroom. Go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit and cross through the chapel. The nursery will be on your left before the stairs. The service is piped in for your listening pleasure!

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## **March Share the Plate: Rise Against Hunger**

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For the sixth year in a row, we are teaming up with Rise Against Hunger to advance their powerful mission of eradicating world hunger by 2030!

On the afternoon of May 5th, we are transforming the Parish Hall into an all-ages assembly line. In just a few hours, we will package rice, soy, dehydrated vegetables, and vitamins into an astonishing 20,088 meals. To be successful, this event requires our participation in packing the meals as well as a significant financial investment. Please give generously to ensure that we can meet our goal of sending love and nourishment to some of the world's most vulnerable people.

*Thank you for your generosity!*