

# Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2016

*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.*

## **PRELUDE**

The Planets ..... *Gustav Holst* (1874 - 1934)  
arranged: *Everard Sigal* (b. 1962)

II. Venus

IV. Jupiter

Nicholas Place, piano

## **INTROIT**

Seek Not Afar for Beauty ... text: *Minot Judson Savage* (1841 - 1918), adapt.  
music: *Cyril V. Taylor* (1907 - 1991)  
arranged: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Seek not afar for beauty. Lo! it glows  
In dew-wet grasses all about thy feet;  
In birds, in sunshine, childish faces sweet,  
In stars and mountain summits topped with snows.

Go not afar for happiness. For see,  
It is a flower blooming at thy door.  
Bring love and justice home, and then no more  
Wilt thou wonder in what dwelling joy may be.

In wonder workings, or some bush aflame,  
We look for love and fancy it concealed;  
But in Earth's common things, love stands revealed,  
While grass and flowers and stars spell out God's name.

## **WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS**

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

## **\*HYMN 1064**

Blue Boat Home

## **NEW MEMBER JOINING CEREMONY**

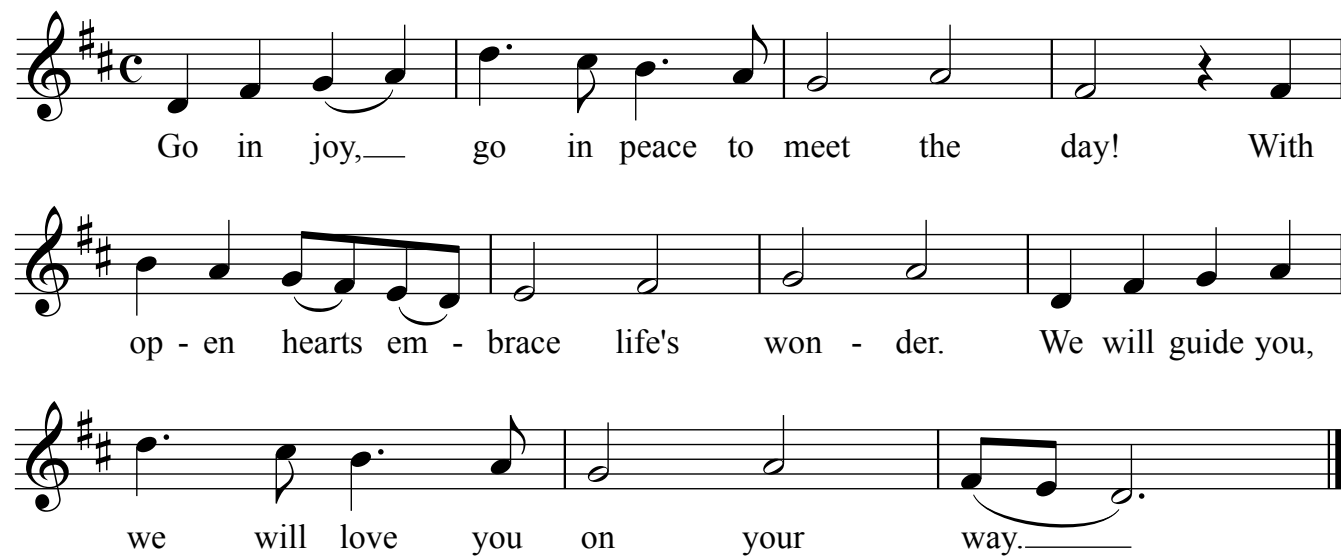
## **AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT**

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.

## 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!*

## COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary ..... *John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs* (b. 1953)  
text adapted: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*  
music arranged: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano

Open my heart to be a sanctuary  
All made holy, loved and true  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for you

## \*HYMN 273

Immortal, Invisible

## SERMON

Taking the Perspective of Awe ..... Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

## ANTHEM

Out of the Stars ..... text: *Rev. Robert Weston* (1899 - 1988)  
music: *David Beaubien* (b. 1952), adapted *Jason Shelton* (b. 1972)

Out of the stars in their flight,  
out of the dust of eternity,  
here have we come,  
Stardust and sunlight,  
mingling through time and through space.

Out of the stars have we come,  
up from time.

Time out of time before time  
in the vastness of space,  
earth spun to orbit the sun,  
Earth with the thunder of mountains newborn,  
the boiling of seas.

Earth warmed by sun, lit by sunlight;  
This is our home;  
Out of the stars have we come.

Mystery hidden in mystery,  
back through all time;  
Mystery rising from rocks  
in the storm and the sea.

Out of the stars, rising from rocks  
and the sea,  
kindled by sunlight on earth,  
arose life.

Ponder this thing in your heart,  
life up from sea:  
Eyes to behold, throats to sing,  
mates to love.

Life from the sea, warmed by sun,  
washed by rain,  
life from within, giving birth,  
rose to love.

This is the wonder of time;  
this is the marvel of space;  
out of the stars swung the earth;  
life upon earth rose to love.

This is the marvel of life,  
rising to see and to know;  
Out of your heart, cry wonder:  
sing that we live.

## **OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**

We share half of the morning's offering with a community partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. Over 300 pledging members and friends also support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

## **OFFERTORY**

Blue Lips ..... *Regina Spektor* (b. 1980)  
Nicholas Place, piano and vocals

He stumbled into faith and thought,  
"God, this is all there is."  
The pictures in his mind arose  
And began to breathe  
And all the gods and all the worlds  
Began colliding on a backdrop of blue

Blue lips, blue veins  
He took a step but then felt tired  
He said, "I'll rest a little while"  
But when he tried to walk again  
He wasn't a child  
And all the people hurried fast, real fast  
And no one ever smiled

Blue lips, blue veins  
Blue, the color of our planet  
From far, far away

He stumbled into faith and thought,  
"God, this is all there is."  
The pictures in his mind arose  
And began to breathe  
And no one saw and no one heard  
They just followed the lead  
The pictures in his mind awoke  
And began to breed

They started off beneath the knowledge tree  
And they chopped it down to make a picket fence  
And marching along the railroad tracks  
They smiled real wide for the camera lenses  
As they made it past the enemy lines  
Just to become enslaved in the assembly lines

Blue lips, blue veins  
Blue, the color of our planet  
From far, far away  
Blue, the most human color  
Blue lips, blue veins  
Blue, the color of our planet  
From far, far away

## **PARISH HIGHLIGHTS**

### **\*HYMN 29**

Joyful, Joyful

### **\*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

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

When You Walk From Here ..... text: *Linnea Good*  
music: *Tom Witt*, arranged: *Mark David Buckles*

*When you walk from here, when you walk from here,  
Walk with justice, walk with mercy, and with God's humble care.*

## **POSTLUDE**

Politik ..... *Coldplay: Chris Martin* (b. 1977), *Guy Berryman* (b. 1978)  
*Jonny Buckland* (b. 1977), and *Will Champion* (b. 1978)  
Nicholas Place, piano and vocals

Look at earth from outer space  
Everyone must find a place  
Give me time and give me space  
Give me real, don't give me fake  
Give me strength, reserve control  
Give me heart and give me soul  
Give me time, give us a kiss  
Tell me your own politik  
Open up your eyes  
Just open up your eyes  
Give me one, cause one is best  
In confusion, confidence  
Give me peace of mind and trust  
Don't forget the rest of us  
Give me strength, reserve control  
Give me heart and give me soul  
Wounds that heal and cracks that fix  
Tell me your own politik  
Open up your eyes  
Just open up your eyes  
And give me love over this

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

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## Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

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If you have arrived with a baby or small child, welcome! There is a nursery/playroom with the service piped in for your listening pleasure. 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.

- Pre-schoolers: meet Taan and Allie in the Hunnewell Chapel for a story about Space
- Kindergarten-2nd graders: Spirit Play Group ~ meet Jessica and Lale in the Perkins Room for a story about astronaut Kelly's return to Earth
- 3rd-6th graders: UU Superheroes Group ~ meet Carol in the Carol Smith Room to learn about Dorothea Dix
- 7th graders and up: meet Peter in the Parish Hall to hear about his trip to Cuba

OWL is meeting in the Perkins Room at 1:00 PM.

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### March Share the Plate Recipient: Only a Child

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Only a Child, founded in Guatemala City in 1993 by Arlington Street member George Leger, maintains a shelter and carpentry shop and ensures an education for street kids.

The shelter, housing up to a dozen young men at a time, is far more than a place to sleep; it provides a surrogate family in which the youth are taught responsibility and accountability and develop confidence and self-esteem.

All of them work, many of them in the on-site Only a Child carpentry shop, where they learn carpentry skills and produce finely crafted cedar boxes that they sell to support the program.

They also go to school. Arlington Street has supported the program from its inception. In a bid to maximize the kids' chances to leave the streets once and for all, we have sponsored their tuition at high-quality independent schools and at university.

**PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!**

#### **Service is Our Gift**

Candles Coordinator, *Liz Weber*

Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*

Lead Greeter, *Rachel Corey*

Lead Usher, *Philip Roberts*

Worship Coordinator, *Melissa Dlugolecki*

Assistant Treasurers, *Philip Roberts and Scott Schroeder*