

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD, 2017

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

The Emerald Valley

A Turn to Grace

Deep Heaven *David Nevue* (b. 1965)

Linli Wang, piano

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith

INTROIT

Our Great Covenant music: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

text: *Arlington Street Church's Affirmation and Covenant*

Lawson Daves, bass

*GREETINGS

*HYMN 44

We Sing of Golden Mornings

STORY IN THE SANCTUARY

No Planet B *Laura Evonne Steinman*

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Longtime Sun *Mike Heron* (b. 1942)

from *A Very Cellular Song* arranged: *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 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)*

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 298

Wake, Now, My Senses

SERMON

The Service Begins Erica Rose Long, Intern Community Minister

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Step By Step

text: *from the constitution of the United Mine Workers of America*
music: *Traditional Irish*
arranged: *Anne Louise White*

Step by step the longest march
Can be won, can be won
Many stones can form an arch
Singly none, singly none
And by union what we will
Can be accomplished still
Drops of water turn a mill
Singly none, singly none

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 288 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 or scan the QR code.

Thank you for your stewardship and support!

#FiredUp4ASC ~ Deb Pontes

OFFERTORY

Helplessness Blues *Robin Pecknold* (b. 1986)
Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals; Joanna Lubkin, vocals

I was raised up believing I was somehow unique
Like a snowflake distinct among snowflakes
Unique in each way you can see
And now after some thinking
I'd say I'd rather be
A functioning cog in some great machinery
Serving something beyond me

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN

The Tide is Rising *Rabbi Shoshana Meira Friedman* (b. 1982)
& *Yotam Schachter* (b. 1985)

The tide is rising and so are we
The tide is rising and so are we
The tide is rising and so are we
This is where we are called to be
This is where we are called to be

V.2 The task is mighty and so are we...

V.3 This land is holy and so are we...

V.4 The storm is raging and so are we...

V.5 The sun is shining and so are we...

V.6 The world is ready....

*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

Comptine d'un autre été: l'après-midi *Yann Tiersen* (b. 1970)
Linli Wang, piano

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

Children's Programming

The Children's Religious Education (CRE) program begins each Sunday in the sanctuary. After the opening hymn, children and youth are sung out to gather downstairs for age-appropriate CRE groups. Each group begins with a ritual of sharing sorrows and joys before their lesson. They will rejoin the larger community in the sanctuary to end the service together.

Next to the Hunnewell Chapel, there is a nursery for restless babies and their caregivers. This space offers a rocking chair, changing table with supplies, and a live audio feed of the service. For more information about children's programming at Arlington Street Church, please contact Laura Evonne Steinman, Director of CRE, at LES@ASCBoston.org.

Pre-K	Spirit Play	UU Super Heroes	Coming of Age (CoA)
(2- 5yrs)	(K-2nd grade)	(3rd-5th grade)	(6th-8th grade)
Hunnewell Chapel	Perkins Room/ Public Garden	Carol Smith Room	Parish Hall Stage
Read Earth Dance	Read Make Way for Ducklings in the Public Garden	Lifelong UU's from ASC: Dan Brotman and Barb Seidl	Special Guest: Lou and his love for music!

COA is meeting from 1:00 - 3:00 pm today in the Perkins Room with guest visitors Rev. Fred Small, youth Lena Pontes, and ASC Music Director Mark David Buckles sharing how music is a part of their spiritual practice.

April Share the Plate: Arlington Street's Boston Marathon Charity Runners

Congratulations to our own Nikki DeRome and Melissa Dlugolecki, who ran Boston on Monday!

Nikki is a member of Team Hoyt, founded by Dick and Rick Hoyt, the father-son wheelchair team that has inspired thousands of people, both disabled and able-bodied. Nikki crossed the finish line for The Hoyt Foundation, which aspires to build the individual character, self-confidence, and self-esteem of young people with disabilities through inclusion in all facets of daily life. Nikki runs in memory of her mother, Denise Derome.

Melissa brought it home for Team Leyden, raising funds for Boston Children's Hospital. Named in memory of Melissa's infant daughter, Team Leyden's mission is to positively impact others in the face of adversity and to help fuel research to prevent cases such as Leyden's while supporting the unmatched quality of care they provide.

The plate will be shared with The Hoyt Foundation and Team Leyden on April 2nd, 9th, 23rd, and 30th. Thank you for your generous support!