

**OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 287 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. *Thank you for your stewardship and support!*

**OFFERTORY**

Times Like This, from *Lucky Stiff* ..... text: *Lynn Ahrens* (b. 1948)  
music: *Stephen Flaherty* (b. 1960)

Julie Gregorio, soprano

**PARISH HIGHLIGHTS**

**ANIMAL PROMENADE & BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

Chant d'oiseaux ..... *Léon Vasseur* (1844 - 1917)

Linli Wang, piano

*Please come up the center aisle for the blessing  
and return to your pew via a side aisle.*

**\*HYMN 203**

All Creatures of the Earth and Sky

**\*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

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

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

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

**POSTLUDE**

Carillon de Longpont (1913) ..... *Louis Vierne* (1870 - 1937)  
Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

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

If you have arrived with a baby or small child, welcome! Feel free to slip out as needed to the nursery, where you'll find a rocking chair, changing table, and toys. To reach the nursery, go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit, cross through the chapel, and look for the door on your left before the stairs. The worship service is broadcast into the nursery for your listening pleasure!

CRE Group	Pre-K (3yrs - K)	Spirit Play (K-2nd)	UU Super Heroes (3rd-5th)	Coming of Age
Location	Chapel	Perkins Room	Carol Smith Room	Sanctuary

In addition to hanging out with our beloved animal friends, each group will share Joys and Sorrows and discuss the First Principle Project. Please be sure your children are registered for the CRE program this year. <https://goo.gl/forms/X1pHZBU8IeHprDpql>

**OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH**

Arlington Street Church is an historic congregation (1729) with a progressive faith. Long on the cutting-edge of movements for social justice, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every being. All are welcome!

**CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP**

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church.

**THE PRU MEMBERS ARE:**

*Tina Rose* (chair) / *Rick Cresta* (vice chair)  
*Dave Erbe* / *Lois Hartsough* / *Al Ingram* / *Eve Lawria* / *Art Nava* / *Ted Rudinsky* / *Connie Scanlon*

**OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:**

*Art Nava* (treasurer) / *Tori Bell* & *Gaby Whitehouse* (co-moderators) / *Doc Kinne* (clerk)

**SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS**

**FM amplification** headsets are available from the ushers. Please do not remove them from the sanctuary. **Accessible** entry is via the ramp on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. **Braille** hymnals are available! Please ask an usher for assistance.

**CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING**

Children's Religious Education begins every Sunday in the sanctuary. Children are sung out near the beginning of the service and gather downstairs for CRE. Children rejoice their families in the sanctuary to end the service. Just off the Hunnewell Chapel is a nursery for fussy babies and their caregivers. The service is piped in, and a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. For information about our CRE program, please contact the church office or see our religious educator.

**ALLELUIA!**

At Arlington Street Church, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

**PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH**

Parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are available at the Welcome Table after worship. Additional parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."

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**Church Office:**

Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**Urban Church Awareness**

Remember to be mindful of your belongings, and throughout the week, please help to keep the outside doors to the church secure.

**Service is Our Gift**

Candles Coordinator, *Michael Hollister*  
Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*  
Lead Greeter, *Queen Cheryl*  
Lead Usher, *Kevin Tyrrell*  
Worship Coordinator, *Rev. George G. Whitehouse and Beth Robbins*  
Assistant Treasurers, *Dave Erbe and Nancy George*



**ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH**  
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2016

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS!

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM  
PROMOTES SEVEN PRINCIPLES

~ THE FIRST PRINCIPLE ~

*We believe in the inherent worth  
and dignity of every being.*

*At our corporation meeting on 1/31/16, the following vote was moved and seconded: We, the members of Arlington Street Church, hereby call on the General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association to vote to replace the words "every person" with the words "every being" in Article II, Principles and Purposes, Section c-2.1 Principles, Line 12, UUA Bylaws*

Arlington Street Church  
Boston, Massachusetts  
Founded in 1729

*Gathered in love and service for justice and peace*

# Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2016

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

*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.*

*The flowers on the high pulpit today were generously given in celebration of the life of Woody O’Kane, by her neighbors at Beacon House.*

## PRELUDE

Miroirs ..... Maurice Ravel (1875 - 1937)

II. Oiseaux Triste

Trois Véritables préludes flasques, pour un chien

Erik Satie (1866 - 1925)

II. Seul à la maison

Le carnaval des animaux ..... Camille Saint-Saëns (1835 - 1921)

IV. Tortues

VII. Aquarium

Linli Wang, piano

## WELCOME TO ALL BEINGS

## CHALICE LIGHTING

PetPals volunteers: Randi and Beatrix; Gloria, Maggie, and Ella-Lena;

Laura Evonne, Jenna Belle, and Krowka

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

## SONG

Home on the Range ..... text: Brewster M. Higley (1823 - 1911)  
music: David W. Guion (1892 - 1981)

Oh give me a home where the buffalo roam,  
Where the deer and the antelope play,  
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word,  
And the skies are not cloudy all day.

### Chorus

*Home, home on the range,  
Where the deer and the antelope play,  
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word,  
And the skies are not cloudy all day.*

How often at night when the heavens are bright,  
With the light from the glittering stars,  
Have I stood there amazed and asked as I gazed,  
If their glory exceeds that of ours.

### Chorus

Oh give me a land where the bright diamond sand,  
Flows leisurely down in the stream;  
Where the graceful white swan goes gliding along,  
Like a maid in a heavenly dream.

### Chorus

## GREETINGS

## 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!*

## INVOCATION

The Seventh Principle ..... Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

*We believe in the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part. Amen.*

## \*HYMN

We Celebrate the Web of Life ..... text: Alicia S. Carpenter (1930 - 1990)  
music: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

1. We cel - le - brate the web of life, its  
2. A frag - ment of the per - fect whole, in  
3. Of an - cient dreams we are the sum; our  
4. Re - spect the wat - er, land, and air which

mag - ni - tude we sing; for we can see di -  
cac - tus and in quail, as much in ti - ny  
bones link stone to star, and bind our fu - ture  
gave all crea - tures birth; pro - tect the lives of

vin - i - ty in ev - ery liv - ing thing.  
bar - na - cle as in the great blue whale.  
worlds to come with worlds that were and are.  
all that share the glo - ry of the earth.

## COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

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

Julie Gregorio, soprano

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.

## \*HYMN 94

What is This Life, sung to the tune of “The Water is Wide”

Julie Metcalf, violin

## SERMON

Animal Lessons ..... Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

## ANTHEM

Now Let Us Sing! ..... music: Gwyneth Walker (b. 1947)  
text: Saint Francis of Assisi (c. 1181 - 1226), attributed  
and Traditional Spiritual, lyrics adapted by Gwyneth Walker

Now let us sing till the pow’r of the  
Lord comes down.  
Lift up your voice, be not afraid  
To sing till the pow’r of the Lord  
comes down.

The Lord said to Noah:  
“There’s gonna be a flood.”  
The Lord said to Noah:  
“Get your feet out of the mud!”  
The Lord said to Noah:  
“The animals coming too.”  
The Lord said to Noah: “You can see  
them lining up two by two.”

And they will sing till the pow’r  
of the Lord comes down.  
They lift their voices, they’re not afraid  
To sing till the pow’r of the Lord  
comes down.

All creatures that on earth do dwell,  
Lift up your voices, let them swell!  
The burning sun with golden beam,  
The silver moon with shimmering  
gleam,

The clouds that sail in heav’n along,  
The flowing water pure and clear  
Makes music for our list’ning ear,  
The fire so masterful and bright,  
Which brings to us both warmth  
and light,  
The rising morn in praise rejoice,  
The lights of evening find a voice, and  
Sing till the pow’r of the Lord  
comes down.  
They lift their voices, they’re not afraid  
To sing till the pow’r of the Lord  
comes down.

All creatures that on earth do dwell,  
Lift up your voices, let them swell!  
All we folk of tender heart,  
With lovingkindness take our part, and

Sing till the pow’r of the Lord  
comes down.  
We lift our voices, we’re not afraid  
To sing till the pow’r of the Lord  
comes down!