

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2018

If you have brought water today, please write down - in large, clear printing - where you gathered your water. Pens and paper are available from the ushers at the Great Doors. Please hold onto your container of water until it's time for the water communion!

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

Deep River, Op. 59 No. 10 *Samuel Coleridge-Taylor* (1875 - 1912)
Kelly Lenahan, piano

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN 361**

Enter, Rejoice, and Come In

arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

1 Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

2 Open your ears to the song. Open your ears to the song. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

3 Open your hearts ev'ryone. Open your hearts ev'ryone. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

***HYMN 354**

We Laugh, We Cry

1 We laugh, we cry, we live, we die; we dance, we sing our song. We need to feel there's something here to which we can belong. We need to feel the freedom just to have some time alone. But most of all we need close friends we can call our very own. And we believe in life, and in the strength of love; and we have found a need to be together. We have our hearts to give, we have our thoughts to receive; and we believe that sharing is an answer.

2 A child is born among us and we feel a special glow. We see time's endless journey as we watch the baby grow. We thrill to hear imagination freely running wild. We dedicate our minds and heart to the spirit of this child. And we believe in life, and in the strength of love; and we have found a time to be together. And with the grace of age, we share the wonder of youth, and we believe that growing is an answer.

3 Our lives are full of wonder and our time is very brief. The death of one among us fills us all with pain and grief. But as we live, so shall we die, and when our lives are done the memories we shared with friends, they will linger on and on. And we believe in life, and in the strength of love; and we have found a place to be together. We have the right to grow, we have the gift to believe that peace within our living is an answer.

4 We seek elusive answers to the questions of this life. We seek to put an end to all the waste of human strife. We search for truth, equality, and blessed peace of mind. And then, we come together here, to make sense of what we find. And we believe in life, and in the strength of love, and we have found a joy being together. And in our search for peace, maybe we'll finally see: even to question, truly is an answer.

WATER COMMUNION Dave Egan

Reflets dans l'eau (from *Images, Book I*) ... *Claude Debussy* (1862 - 1918)

Kelly Lenahan, piano

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.

***HYMN**

Swimming to the Other Side

text and music: *Pat Humphries* (b. 1960)

choral arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

Joanna Lubkin, vocals

Chorus

We are living 'neath the great Big Dipper

We are washed by the very same rain

We are swimming in the stream together

Some in power and some in pain

We can worship this ground we walk on

Cherishing the beings that we live beside

Loving spirits will live forever

We're all swimming to the other side

I am alone and I am searching,
Hungering for answers in my time
I am balanced at the brink of wisdom
I'm impatient to receive a sign
I move forward with my senses open
Imperfection, it be my crime
In humility, I will listen
We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

On this journey through thoughts and feelings
Binding intuition, my head, my heart
I am gathering the tools together.
I'm preparing to do my part
All of those who have come before me
Band together and be my guide
Loving lessons that I will follow,
We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

When we get there we'll discover
All of the gifts we've been given to share
Have been with us since life's beginning
And we never noticed they were there
We can balance at the brink of wisdom
Never recognizing that we've arrived
Loving spirits will live together
We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

Loving spirits will live forever
We're all swimming to the other side

SERMON

Reconnecting Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Down in the River to Pray *Traditional American Song*
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)
Ann-Marie Iacoviello, soprano

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!

OFFERTORY

By The Still Waters, Op. 114 *Amy Beach* (1867 - 1944)

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN

Life Calls Us On text: *Rev. Kendyl Gibbons* (b. 1955)
music: *Rev. Jason Shelton* (b. 1972)

See insert for lyrics

*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

Rigaudon (from *Le Tombeau de Couperin*) *Maurice Ravel* (1875 - 1937)
Kelly Lenahan, piano

Today in Family Ministry

Welcome back! Our children are staying with us in the sanctuary today for this intergenerational service. Children are welcome to sit with their families or join Erica and Dave in the box pews at the front right of the sanctuary.

If you have arrived with a baby or small child, 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.

After the service, let's get lunch at the Sandwich Board and eat together on the stage in the Parish Hall. Look for Dave!

Share the Plate: NEADS Service Dogs for Veterans

Based in Princeton, Massachusetts, NEADS (National Education for Assistance Dog Services) designed the Trauma Assistance Dog (TAD) program for veterans diagnosed with combat-related post-traumatic stress. Since 2006, NEADS has matched more than 100 highly skilled service dogs with United States veterans at no cost to veterans. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, *Patrick Cooleybeck*

Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*

Lead Greeter, *David Scanlon*

Lead Usher, *Mike Cournoyer*

Worship Coordinators, *Art Nava*

Assistant Treasurer, *Philip Roberts*

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.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!