



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025

HAPPY PASSOVER!

CHAG PESACH SAMEACH!

**PRELUDE**

Mission ..... *Kwonhee Lee*

The Time Penetrated ..... *Kanghyun Kim*

Hyunju Jung (she/her), piano

**WELCOME & GREETINGS** ..... Rev. Parisa Parsa (she/her)

Harry Kelso (he/him), Worship Coordinator

**\*HYMN 1000**

Morning Has Come ..... text and music: *Jason Shelton* (b. 1972)

Morning has come, arise and greet the day!  
Dance with joy and sing a song of gladness!  
The light of hope here shines upon each face  
May it bring faith to guide our journey home

A new day dawns, once more the gift is giv'n  
Wonder fills this moment shared together  
The light of peace here shines upon each face  
May it bring faith to guide our journey home

Open our eyes to see that life abounds  
Open hearts to welcome it among us  
The light of love here shines upon each face  
May it bring faith to guide our journey home

**OPENING WORDS & CHALICE LIGHTING**

Rev. Parisa Parsa & Rev. Beth Robbins

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

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

## INTROIT

Ozi v'Zimrat Yah ..... text: *Psalms 118:14, Exodus 15:2*  
music: *Rabbi Shefa Gold* (b. 1954)  
choral arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

My strength (balanced) with the song of G-d will be my salvation.

## COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary ..... *John W. Thompson* (b. 1950) & *Randy Scruggs* (1953–2018)  
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

*To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service,  
please submit it in advance at [tinyurl.com/ASCCandle](https://tinyurl.com/ASCCandle).  
During the service, candles are welcome in the Zoom chat.  
Our Pastoral Care Team can be reached at [Care@ASCBoston.org](mailto:Care@ASCBoston.org).*

## AFFIRMATION & 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.

## READING

This Fragile Moment: Breaking the Middle Matzah ..... *Cathleen Cohen* (b. 1953)

## \*HYMN 399

Vine and Fig Tree ..... text: *Micah 4:4, Isaiah 2:4*  
music: *Traditional Hebrew*

And ev'ry one 'neath a vine and fig tree  
Shall live in peace and unafraid

And into plowshares turn their swords  
Nations shall learn war no more

## SERMON

What Is Luminous Among Us ..... Rev. Parisa Parsa

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION & PRAYER

## ANTHEM

Chester ..... *William Billings* (1746–1800)

Let tyrants shake their iron rod  
And slav'ry clank her galling chains  
We fear them not, we trust in G-d  
New England's G-d forever reigns

The foe comes on with haughty stride  
Our troops advance with martial noise  
Their vet'rans flee before our youth  
And gen'ral's yield to beardless boys

What grateful off'ring shall we bring?  
What shall we render to the Lord?  
Loud Halleluiahs let us sing  
And praise his name on ev'ry chord

## COVENANT RENEWAL: ROOTED & THRIVING ..... Rev. Beth Robbins (she/her)



In this season of Covenant Renewal, we renew our commitment of love and service and make pledges of financial gifts to support Arlington Street and our work in the world. There's still time to make your pledge for 2025/26 at [tinyurl.com/CovenantRenewal](https://tinyurl.com/CovenantRenewal)

## OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

It's up to us to finance the beloved spiritual community we want to create! Today, we invite you to be part of Arlington Street's story of devotion, innovation, and transformative generosity.



## WAYS TO GIVE

1. Scan the QR code
2. Visit [tinyurl.com/GiveASC](https://tinyurl.com/GiveASC)
3. Search @ArlingtonStreet on Venmo (Charities)
4. Text the word "GIVE" to (617) 300-0509
5. Mail a check to Arlington Street Church

If you would like to give regularly, you can set up automatic payments at [tinyurl.com/GiveASC](https://tinyurl.com/GiveASC) or by contacting Liz Teixeira Treasurer@ASCBoston.org. We encourage you to provide now for a future gift to Arlington Street by remembering the church in your will. Thank you for helping to ensure a robust future for our beloved spiritual community!

## SHARE THE PLATE: MOTHERS' DAY WALK FOR PEACE



Generosity is a spiritual practice at Arlington Street Church. Because sharing our resources transforms both ourselves and our world, we share our Sunday offering with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace.

In 1993, Louis D. Brown was a 15-year-old 10th grader growing up in Roxbury with very big dreams: college, graduate school, a doctoral degree in aerodynamic engineering. Ultimately, Louis wanted to be the first African-American and youngest-ever President of the United States. That fall, on his way to a Teens Against Gang Violence meeting, Louis was killed in the crossfire of a gang shootout.

In 1994, his extraordinary mother, Tina Chéry, honored her son's dream by founding The Louis D. Brown Peace Institute. Dedicated to education in peacemaking and nonviolence, the institute also assists survivors of homicide victims. The Mother's Day Walk for Peace is a beloved, 29-year-long Boston tradition and an important fundraiser for the Peace Institute. The theme this year is Cultivating Cycles of Peace.

To make your gift, please scan the QR code above; visit [tinyurl.com/GiveASC](https://tinyurl.com/GiveASC); or text the amount you want to give and the word SHARE (ex. \$50 SHARE) to (617) 300-0509.

*Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!*

## OFFERTORY

The Lord is My Strength ..... text: *Exodus 15:2*

from *Israel in Egypt* ..... music: *G. F. Handel* (1685–1759)

Hannah Shanefield (she/her), soprano

Sé (Shea) Brown (they/them), soprano

Hyunju Jung (she/her), piano

### \*HYMN 116

I'm On My Way ..... *African American Spiritual*

I'm on my way to the freedom land

I'm on my way to the freedom land

I'm on my way to the freedom land

I'm on my way, great G-d, I'm on my way

I asked my neighbor to come and go with me (3x)

I'm on my way, great G-d, I'm on my way

If they say no, I'll go anyhow (3x)

I'm on my way, great G-d, I'm on my way

We're on our way and we won't turn back (3x)

We're on our way, great G-d, we're on our way

We're on our way to the freedom land (3x)

We're on our way, great G-d, we're on our way

### BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

### RECESSIONAL

Where You Go (I Will Go) ..... *Shoshana Jedwab* (b. 1964)

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

For your people are my people

Your people are mine

Your people are my people

Your divine, my divine

### POSTLUDE

Heart and Soul ..... *Wes Sutton* (b. 1955)

Hyunju Jung, piano



*Out of respect for Arlington Street Church members and friends who are Jewish,  
we follow the tradition of not spelling out G-d's name.*

*\*\* As part of our continuing commitment to offer an authentic, inclusive welcome, we have retired the recitation of the Spanish version of our Affirmation and Covenant. We honor its history in our community and look forward to new ways of building deeper relationships with our neighbors of many cultures.*

### Arlington Street Staff Directory

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### Arlington Street Prudential Committee

The Prudential Committee is Arlington Street's elected, governing board.  
"The Pru" is joined by Stephen Anable (Clerk) and Liz Teixeira (Treasurer)  
in conducting the business of the church.

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|-----------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Alan Kemp, Chair            | Rachel Corey  | Art Nava       |
| Sandy Dixon, Co-Chair       | Cathy DeMatto | Laura Pattison |
| Kelly Anne Weaver, Co-Chair | Hala Hazar    | Bob Sessions   |

The leadership welcomes your questions  
and suggestions at [Pru\\_Chair@ASCBoston.org](mailto:Pru_Chair@ASCBoston.org)



## This Week at Arlington Street ~ You Are Invited!

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 13**

11:00 am ~ Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Zoom)

12:00 pm ~ Coffee Hour & Potluck Lunch (Chapel & Zoom)

### **MONDAY, APRIL 14**

12:00 pm ~ Monday Mettā (Zoom)

4:00 pm ~ Poems to Go On (Zoom)

### **TUESDAY, APRIL 15**

6:00 pm ~ Prudential Committee Meeting (Zoom)

### **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16**

5:00 pm ~ Tea with the Ministers (Zoom)

*(Prompt: What is the nicest thing anyone's ever said to you?)*

6:00 pm ~ Kundalini Yoga (Zoom)

### **THURSDAY, APRIL 17**

5:00 pm ~ Arlington Street Writes (Zoom)

5:00 pm ~ Easter Dress Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### **SATURDAY, APRIL 19**

3:00 pm ~ Liz Derstine & GAIA Quartet Concert (Sanctuary)

6:30 pm ~ Ágora Presents: Cultural Crossroads with Hipstory (Parish Hall)

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 20**

11:00 am ~ Easter Service & the Blessing of the Runners (Sanctuary & Zoom)

12:00 pm ~ Coffee Hour (Chapel & Zoom)

For details and Zoom links for these events and more,  
please visit [ASCBoston.org](http://ASCBoston.org).



## Do you believe in magic?

Please join us  
for the Arlington Street Church  
2025 Annual Gala

**Saturday, May 17  
6pm**

Masterful magicians  
Alluring appetizers  
Charming cocktails  
Stupendous silent & live auctions

**tickets**  
\$100 per person



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