

FRIDAY, OCTOBER  $14^{\text{TH}}$ , 2022



Dearly beloved,

A huge shoutout to our own Margaret Femia, who has a portrait hanging in Boston's Museum of Fine Arts! In conjunction with the tour of Kehinde Wiley and Amy Sherald's portraits of President Barack Obama and former First Lady Michelle Obama, the MFA put out a community call for *Portraits of Leadership*. The response was more than 2,600 images by artists of all ages, from Dorchester to Seoul ... to Hudson, New Hampshire! If you're close enough to see it in person, you'll find Margaret's drawing featured next to none other than Anthony Fauci. Next week, I'll include a photo of her entry. *Congratulations, Margaret*!

Marianne Jacobbi called from *The Boston Globe Magazine* to talk with me, she said, about an article she was writing on healthy aging. But our conversation became a long, deep reflection on the power of regret in our lives. Her story, being published this weekend, is courageous and powerful. And Arlington Street gets some love! You can read it <u>here</u>.

This Sunday, Rev. Beth's sermon is called *Roe and Resistance*. Director of Music Mark David Buckles opens the service with John Legend's *If You're Out There*. Everyone will join in singing Batya Levine's *We Rise*:

We rise, humbly hearted Rise, we won't be divided Rise, with spirit to guide us Rise!

Mezzo soprano Bek Zehr solos with the Arlington Street Choir singing Andra Day and Jennifer Decilveo's *Rise Up* and is joined by soprano Eve Lauria and Natalia St. Jean in singing Milck's *Quiet*. Mark David and Julie Metcalf (violin) close the service, leading the congregation in Holly Near's *I Am Willing*: I am open and I am willing For to be hopeless would seem so strange It dishonors those who go before us So lift me up to the light of change

Amen!

## Faithfully yours, with love, Kim

p.s. Next Sunday afternoon, our own Judah Leblang will present his one-man show, *It's Now or Never: My Life in the Late Middle Ages*. If you can't attend in person at the Beacon Hill Friends House, you can stream the show online <u>here</u>. More information is at <u>judahleblang.com</u>. *Congratulations, Judah!* 



Brownstone to replace the Boylston Street stairs ... being mined in China! As always, our deepest gratitude to Restoration Committee Chair, Jon Andersen-Miller