

THURSDAY, APRIL 28th, 2022



Dear Ones,

Here comes May!

This week, we said goodbye to Joyce Kamau and welcomed our new church administrator, Jess Acosta (pronounced Ah-COAST-ah). Jess (she/they) will be the friendly voice on the other end of the phone when you call (617) 536-7050 and answering email you send to office@ASCBoston.org. A lawyer, Jess is making a career change: just graduating from the Boston University School of Theology and preparing for ministry in the United Church of Christ. If you're nearby, please plan to stop by the church office to say hello!

During virtual coffee hour this Sunday, Martha & Spencer Bonnie will be hosting the "Come From Away" breakout room. Martha writes (from Arizona!), "Are you Zooming in to Arlington Street Sunday services from out of state? Have you wondered who is Zooming in from across the country or around the world? Would you like to connect with them, or just enjoy the chance to chat with some friendly folks? If yes, send a chat to Kem/Tech Team that you'd like to join us in the Come From Away break out room immediately after the Sunday service. We hope to see you!" *Thank you*, Martha & Spencer!

But first.... Sunday's sermon opens with soprano Hannah Shanefield channeling Julie Andrews in *Camelot!* Joined by the Arlington Street Church Choir and pianist Cheng Cheng, they'll sing Director of Music Mark David Buckles' "The Lusty Month of May." Mark David sings REM's "Half a World Away" and leads us in singing Emma's Revolution's "Swimming to the Other Side" and Holly Near's "I Am Willing." The choir brings us a joyful piece from Aruba called "Balia di Sehú;" put on your dancing shoes! Rev. Beth joins me in the pulpit; my sermon is called "Divine Mistakes." Cheng closes the service playing Pachelbel on the organ.

This month marks the 18th anniversary of legal same-sex marriage in Massachusetts. Wherever St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church is located, we appreciate their sign (see below)!

Happy May!

Faithfully yours, with love, Kim

