



**ARLINGTON  
STREET CHURCH**  
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2009

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS  
THE FEAST DAY OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

**PRELUDE**

Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun, arr. for piano  
*Claude Debussy* (1862 – 1918)  
The Swan, from *The Carnival of the Animals*  
*Camille Saint-Saens* (1835 – 1921)  
The Trout, arr. for piano  
*Franz Schubert* (1797 – 1828)  
Molly Wood, piano

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

For the Mouse is a Creature of Great Personal Valour  
from *Rejoice in the Lamb*  
music: *Benjamin Britten* (1913 – 1976)  
text: *Christopher Smart* (1722 – 1771)  
Julia Mintzer, mezzo soprano

**CHALICE LIGHTING**

**WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS**

**\*HYMN 163**

For the Earth Forever Turning

**COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW AND JOY** Rob Cuddi

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 beginning of the first hymn. After the service, Candle Cards are posted downstairs during coffee hour. You may also submit a candle by Saturday night at the church website, ASCBoston.org, and clicking on “Worship.”

There Will Be a Light *Ben Harper* (b. 1969), arr. *Buckles*  
Valerie Estle, soprano; J. Jacob Krause, baritone

**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.
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**\*HYMN**

We Celebrate the Web of Life *(see below)*

**SERMON**

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

Good Dog!

**SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER**

**ANTHEM**

The Best of All Possible Worlds, from *Candide*  
music: *Leonard Bernstein* (1918 – 1990), arr. *Robert Page*  
text: *John La Touche* (1914 – 1956)

**ANIMAL PROMENADE & BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

Auf freiem Fusse, Op. 345 *Johann Strauss, Jr.* (1825 – 1899)  
Molly Wood, piano

**OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**

Over 300 pledging members and friends support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Please consider a generous donation today! Contributions placed in an envelope will be credited toward your pledge or gift.

**OFFERTORY**

Recitative and Aria *Joseph Haydn* (1732 – 1809)  
from *The Creation*  
J. Jacob Krause, baritone

And God said: Let the earth bring forth the living creatures after his kind.

*(Genesis 1:24)*

Straight opening her fertile womb, the earth obey'd  
the word,

and teem'd creatures numberless, in perfect forms and  
fully grown.

Cheerful, roaring, stands the tawny lion.

In sudden leaps the flexible tiger appears.

The nimble stag bears up his branching head.

With flying mane and fiery look, impatient neighs the  
sprightly steed.

The cattle in herds already seeks his food on fields and  
meadows green.

And oe'r the ground, as plants, are spread the fleecy, meek  
and bleating flock.

Unnumber'd as the sands in whirls arose the host of insects.  
In long dimension creeps with sinuous trace the worm.

**\*HYMN 203**

All Creatures of the Earth and Sky

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION**

*(sung twice; please join us!)*

When You Walk From Here text: *Linnea Good*

music: *Tom Witt*, arr. *Buckles*

When you walk from here, When you walk from here,

Walk with justice, Walk with mercy,

And with God's humble care.

**\*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

**POSTLUDE**

Tales from the Vienna Woods, Op. 325 *Strauss*  
Molly Wood, piano

Please silence your cell phone. Thank you!

**...and Service is Our Gift**

Desmond Ravenstone, Lead Worship Coordinator

Danny Fournier, Lead Greeter

Michael Orzech, Lead Worship Coordinator

Peter Lowber, Lead Usher

Philip Roberts, Assistant Treasurer

Rob Cuddi, Candles Coordinator

Scott Schroeder, Assistant Treasurer