



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6TH, 2009

PRELUDE

Selections from *Robert Schumann* (1810 – 1856)
Album für die Jugend
Molly Wood, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

Desh Indian Raga, arr. *Ethan Sperry*
sung in honor of our esteemed guest, Lama Surya Das

CHALICE LIGHTING

Dr. Doug Fiero

WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

***HYMN 226**

People, Look East

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

Rev. Yvonne Schumacher Strejcek

CHILDREN’S BLESSING

Go In Joy text: *Barbara Pescan*
music: *Bart Bradfield*

The children are invited to leave for their classes with Erick DuPree. All children are welcome!

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW AND JOY

John Markham O’Connor & Harlow Robinson, Candles Coordinators

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; Daniel Ross, tenor

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**

Filled With Loving Kindness

SERMON Rev. Kim Crawford Harvie and Lama Surya Das
Putting the Holy in Holiday

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTIPHON

Be Ye Lamps Unto Yourselves music: *Sarum Antiphonal*
text: *attributed as the last words of the Buddha*

Be ye lamps unto yourselves,
be your own confidence,
hold to the truth within yourselves
as to the only lamp.

ANTHEM

Cybele Laments music: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)
text: *François Mauriac* (1885 – 1970)

Commissioned for the Arlington Street Church Choir
In Memory of David Clarence McCammack Jr.

from “Plaintes de Cybèle” from *Le Sang d’Atys*

A line of sand, the dune’s upswelling rise,
A lip of foam and seaweed fringe: the sea...
The soft traces of lashes on your brown eyes
And by your vacant brow, the thick dark trees:
So like your eyes whose fire lights your face,
Stars in my night whose twin flames burn in space
Blaze on another world when you’re asleep.

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

Waltz in A flat Major (“L’adieu”) Op. 69 No. 1 Molly Wood, piano	<i>Frederic Chopin</i> (1810 – 1849)
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***HYMN 30**

Over My Head

***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

Wichtige Begebenheit (“A Great Event”) *Schumann*
from *Kinderszenen*
Molly Wood, piano

Please silence your cell phone. Thank you!
<p>At Your Service...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * If you would like a large print order of service and hymns, or Brailled hymns * If you are having trouble hearing the service and would appreciate an assistive listening device * If you have mobility challenges and would like assistance <p>... any usher will be happy to help!</p>
<p>Service is Our Gift</p> <p>Art Nava , Lead Greeter Dr. Doug Fiero, Prudential Committee Harlow Robinson, Assistant Candles Coordinator John Markham O’Connor, Candles Coordinator Michael Orzech, Lead Worship Coordinator Philip Roberts, Lead Usher and Assitant Treasurer Scott Schroeder, Assitant Treasurer</p>