

SPECIAL THANKS TO

Steven Forester

Steven celebrated the beauty of Christmas, the love of family, and the creative spirit of life. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family and friends, and give thanks for the generous gift given in his memory for tonight's candle light service.

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Boston Gay Men's Chorus

*Bay Windows*

Arlington Street Church staff, members, and friends

Anna Carson, Jamie Crawford, Jessye Crawford, and Juliette Randazza  
Arlington Street Church Youth

Rob Cuddi, Peter Lowber, Philip Roberts, and Ellen Spencer  
Lead Ushers, and all of our ushers

Alma Antoniotti, Carol Fisher, Nancy George, Gail Jennes, Philip Roberts  
Scott Schroeder, Ellen Spencer, Edward and Katharine Thomas  
Assistant Treasurers

Arlington Street Church Choir and soloists

Polly Latham, Mickey Randazza, and Martin Anderson  
for the beautiful greenery

YOU, for your radiant presence here this evening!  
You are always welcome!

### OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

**"We covenant to affirm and promote the goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all."**

This is the sixth of the seven principles and purposes of Unitarian Universalism that our congregations covenant to affirm and promote. To read all seven, as well as the six sources of our free faith, please see the Our Faith brochure in the pew rack.

### ALLELUIA!

At Arlington Street Church, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education classes are held during the 11:00 AM service downstairs in the Perkins Room. Infant care is provided in the nursery, right off the sanctuary. An usher will be happy to lead you and your children there. For further information about our Children's Religious Education program, please contact the church office.

### SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

FM amplification headsets are available from the ushers. Please do not remove them from the sanctuary. Accessible entry is via the ramp on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. Braille hymnals are available! Please ask an usher for assistance.

### PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are available at the Welcome Table after worship. Additional parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."

### CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church. The members are: Tori Bell, Marilyn Castriotta, Doug Fiero (vice chair), Danny Fournier, Carmen Griggs, Elizabeth Lindholm (chair), Karl Paulnack, Bob Sessions, and Mickey Randazza. Officers of the Corporation are Herbert Gleason (moderator), Rob Cotta (vice moderator), Mark MacDonnell (treasurer), Mark Watanabe (council chair), and Carol Smith (clerk).

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NB: To reach any staff member by phone, dial 617-536-7050. When prompted, enter \*8 and then their extension.

### At Your Service...

- \* 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

... any usher will be happy to help!

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# ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

## Unitarian Universalist

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2009  
CHRISTMAS EVE BY CANDLELIGHT

7:00 PM/9:00 PM

We covenant to affirm and promote • The inherent worth and dignity of every person • Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations • Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations • A free and responsible search for truth and meaning • The right of conscience • The right to a democratic and equitable process within our congregations and related organizations • A goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice • The interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part • The living tradition which we share draws from many sources • A transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the divine • The life of the world • Words and deeds of prophetic women and men which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love • Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life • Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving one another • Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit • Spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature • Grateful for the religious pluralism which enriches and ennobles our faith, we are inspired to deepen our understanding and expand our vision. As free congregations we enter into this covenant, promising to one another our mutual trust and support.

And now,  
let us allow Christmas  
to overtake us  
in all our haste  
and unpreparedness  
and renew the miracle of love  
once again  
in our lives

W. H. Auden, *Christmas Oratorio*, "For the Time Being"

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Founded in 1729

*Gathered in love and service for justice and peace*

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**PRELUDE**

Prelude from *Toccatà* *Dietrich Buxtehude* (1637 – 1707)  
in F Major  
Molly Wood, organ

**\*PROCESSIONAL CAROL**

O Come, All Ye Faithful *arr. Sir David Wilcocks* (b. 1919)  
and *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Kenny Smith and J. Jacob Krause, trumpets

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and adore Him,  
Born the King of angels;  
O come let us adore Him...

Lo, humble shepherds, hast'ning to His cradle,  
Leaving their flocks in the fields, draw near.  
We, too, with gladness,  
Thither bend our footsteps;  
O come let us adore Him...

Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
"Glory to God!  
Glory in the Highest!"  
O come let us adore Him...

**WELCOME AND GREETINGS**

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

**INTROIT**

Boston Gay Men's Chorus  
Mark David Buckles, conductor  
*Scott Henderson*

You're Home for the Holidays

**READING**

Luke 2:1 – 20  
7:00 PM Jamie Crawford  
9:00 PM Seanan Holland and  
Rev. Yvonne Schumacher-Strejcek

**ANTHEM**

Light the Legend *Michael Isaacson* (b. 1946)  
A Song for Chanukah

**SERMON**

Emmanuel Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

**ANTHEM**

Angels' Carol *John Rutter* (b. 1945)

**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**

Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas *Hugh Martin* and  
*Ralph Blane*  
Molly Wood, piano

**ANTHEM**

Nativity Carol *John Rutter*

**CANDLELIGHTING CAROL**

Silent Night, Holy Night  
Silent night, holy night,  
All is calm, all is bright,  
Round yon Virgin, mother and child,  
Holy infant so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace...  
Silent night, holy night,  
Shepherds quake at the sight,  
Glories stream from heaven afar,  
Heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia,"  
Christ the Savior is Born!...  
Silent night, holy night,  
Son of God, love's pure light,  
Radiant beams from thy holy face,  
With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord at thy birth...

**\*CAROL**

Joy to the World!

Joy to the world! The Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare him room  
and heaven and nature sing...

Joy to the earth! Now gladness reigns:  
let hearts their songs employ.  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,  
repeat the sounding joy...

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
and make the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness,  
and wonders of his love...

**\*BENEDICTION**

from "Night Has Fallen" by Rev. Tom Schade  
read by Anna Carson, Jamie Crawford, Jessye Crawford,  
Juliette Randazza

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE**

Everything Possible *Rev. Fred Small* (b. 1952)

**POSTLUDE**

Toccatà *Domenico Zipoli* (1688 – 1726)  
Molly Wood, organ



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