Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 2013

PRELUDE

Fables, Op. 21 and Diversions, Op. 23
Molly Wood, piano

Robert Muczynski (1929-2010)

WELCOME

CHALICE LIGHTING Lisa Mobayed

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

Introit

We believe in world community with peace, liberty, and justice. Amen.

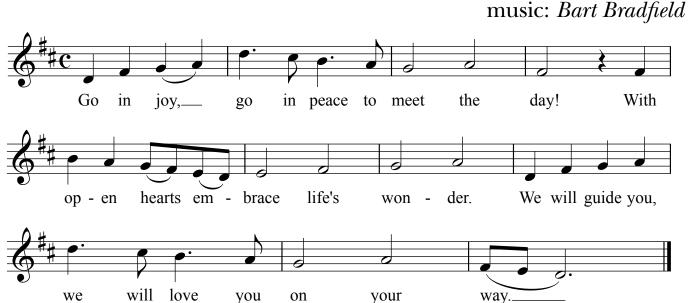
PARISH HIGHLIGHTS AND GREETINGS

*HYMN 1009 (in the teal hymnal)

Meditation on Breathing

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction text: Barbara Pescan



At this time, all children are welcome to join the Children's Religious Education program!

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

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, by clicking on "Worship."

Some of us pray with words, some of us pray through action, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and to one another. As you feel called, please join us in singing the chorus of *Healing Prayer*.

Healing Prayer music: Nick Page (b. 1952) text: African American Spiritual "Balm in Gilead" and Nick Page Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; Julie Gregorio, soprano



AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit El amor es el espíritu de nuestra congregación And service is our gift. Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.

This is our great covenant: Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:

To dwell together in peace, Convivir en paz,

To speak our truths in love, Hablar nuestras verdades con amor, And to help one another. Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

*HYMN 1031 (in the teal hymnal)

Filled with Loving Kindness text: *Traditional Buddhist Meditation* melody: Anonymous, arr. *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

SERMON

The Less Full of Ourselves We Are, The More Room There Is for Others Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Minister

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

The Tree of Peace text and music: Gwyneth Walker (b. 1947) text adapted from the poem "O Brother Man" by John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)

O, my sister and my brother, all who walk upon this earth, fold to your hearts each other.

Where mercy dwells, the peace of the Lord is there.

To live rightly is to love one another each kindness a gift, each deed a prayer.

Listen to one another.

Walk with reverence in the steps of those who have gone before, where forgiveness and wisdom has stood.

So shall the wide earth become a temple, each loving life a psalm of gratitude where forgiveness and wisdom has stood.

Listen to one another.

Then shall all shackles fall.

The violence of war over the earth shall cease.

Love shall tread out the fire of anger, and in its ashes plant a tree of peace.

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

*HYMN 131

Love Will Guide Us

Verses 1 and 2 in the hymnal

Verse 3

You are like no other being.

What you can give, no other can give

To the future of our precious children

To the future of the world where we live.

Verse 4

Share the song and share the silence; Share the shade and share the light With every friend, foe, neighbor, stranger On our journey through this life.

Verse 5

Love will guide us....

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*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.

POSTLUDE

Chicago Saturday Night Kevin Olson (b. 1970) Molly Wood, piano

*You are invited to stand as you are willing and able.

TODAY in CRE

Children's Religious Education (CRE)

We have transferred some amazing local animals onto BIG pieces of wood for our Arlington Street garden. Today, we will continue the transfers and work on coloring the animals.

We are also starting a group called *Digging Deeper*, which will meet

the last Sunday of each month during CRE. The group, primarily for older youth and any interested younger children, will take the time to further explore our CRE themes and topics. Sarah Cooleybeck will facilitate this Sunday's meeting, where our topic will be safe food and environments for our local animals.

Note: Friday, February 1st, Emma's Revolution is playing at the First Church Unitarian in Littleton MA at 8 PM. Laura would be happy to drive some of our high schoolers to the concert:)

Emma's Revolution is the duo of award-winning activist musicians, Pat Humphries & Sandy O. Called "Inspiring, gutsy, and rockin," the duo is celebrating the release of their third CD, "Revolutions Per Minute," an electrifying soundscape of "rousing and soulful" songs of social conscience, in settings from intimate acoustic to full-on funk. Tickets are \$18.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

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

Service is Our Gift

Assistant Treasurers, Nancy George and Dave Erbe Candles Coordinator, Liz Weber Lead Greeter, Queen Cheryl Lead Usher, Dave Erbe Worship Coordinator, John O'Connor