ANIMAL PROMENADE & BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

*HYMN 203

All Creatures of the Earth and Sky

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*Recessional (sung twice; please join in!)

When You Walk From Here text: Linnea Good music: Tom Witt, arranged by Buckles

When you walk from here, When you walk from here, Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, and with God's humble care.

POSTLUDE

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Happy Animal Blessing Sunday! After the second hymn, children, youth, family members, and their animals are gathering in the Perkins Room. CRE will be joined by Lori the wonder chicken and her mom, Myong Hunt. Dinny Fetcher, who will be visiting CRE in a few weeks to talk about vegetarianism, will help lead a discussion about the many ways we show our animals friends we love them. CRE will be back in the sanctuary for the animal promenade! All Beings welcome!

On Sunday, Oct. 11th CRE will be joining Bread & Puppet to march in the annual HONK! parade of activist street bands in Somerville and Cambridge. We are meeting at 11 AM at Herbert and Day Streets in Davis Square, wearing white. The parade starts promptly at 12 noon and will finish at Harvard Square by 1:15 PM. All children, families, youth, and friends of CRE are invited! Childcare will be provided for the service at Arlington Street Church for any children that are present.

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!

Service is Our Gift

Guest Celebrant, Father Alex Oneto, osf Candles Coordinator, Robert Holley Candles Chaplain, Art Judge Lead Greeter, Rachel Corey

Lead Usher, Philip Roberts

Worship Coordinator, Beth Robbins and Joanna Lubkin

 $Assistant\ Treasurers,\ Philip\ Roberts\ and\ Scott\ Schroeder$

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

Arlington Street Church is an historic congregation (1729) with a progressive faith. Long on the cutting edge of movements for social justice, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every being. All are welcome!

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church.

THE PRU MEMBERS ARE:

Tina Rose (chair) / Mary Marcel (vice chair) Rick Cresta / Alex Frost / Connie Scanlon Dave Erbe / Eve Lauria / Kerry Marshall / Thomas Simers

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Susie Nacco (treasurer) / Tori Bell & Desmond Ravenstone (co-moderators) / Doc Kinne (clerk) Thomas Simers (assistant clerk)

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.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education begins every Sunday in the sanctuary. Children are sung out near the beginning of the service and gather downstairs for CRE. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service. Just off the Hunnewell Chapel is a nursery for fussy babies and their caregivers. The service is piped in, and a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. For information about our CRE program, please contact the church office or see our religious educator.

ALLELUIA!

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

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."

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Urban Church Awareness

Remember to be mindful of your belongings, and throughout the week, please help to keep the outside doors to the church secure.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH, 2015
BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS!

THE 7 PRINCIPLES

- 1. The inherent worth and dignity of every being
- 2. Justice, equity, and compassion in all relations
- 3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement of spiritual growth
- 4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning
- 5. Democracy and the right of conscience within our community and throughout our world
- 6. World community with peace, liberty, and justice for all
- 7. The interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part

Arlington Street Church Boston, Massachusetts Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

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

Today's flowers are donated by Rich Abreu and Art Nava to celebrate their first day of marriage. We are very grateful for your friendship, support, and love.

PRELUDE

I. Marche royale du lion (Royal March of the Lion)

II. Poules et coqs (Hens and Roosters)

IV. Tortues (Tortoises)

V. L'éléphant (The Elephant)

VI. Kangourous (Kangaroos)

XI. Pianistes (Pianists)

XII. Fossiles (Fossils)

XIII. Le cygne (The Swan)

Nicholas Place, piano

WELCOME TO ALL BEINGS AND CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

SONG

Home on the Range text: *Brewster M. Higley* (1823 - 1911) music: *David W. Guion* (1892 - 1981)

Oh give me a home where the buffalo roam,

Where the deer and the antelope play,

Where seldom is heard a discouraging word,

And the skies are not cloudy all day.

Chorus

Home, home on the range, Where the deer and the antelope play, Where seldom is heard a discouraging word, And the skies are not cloudy all day.

How often at night when the heavens are bright, With the light from the glittering stars, Have I stood there amazed and asked as I gazed, If their glory exceeds that of ours.

Chorus

Oh give me a land where the bright diamond sand, Flows leisurely down in the stream; Where the graceful white swan goes gliding along, Like a maid in a heavenly dream.

Chorus

GREETINGS

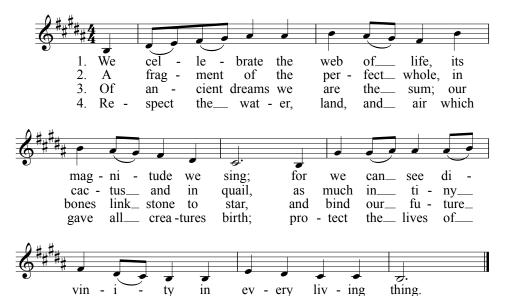
INVOCATION

We believe in the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part. Amen.

THE STORY OF ST FRANCIS Father Alex Oneto, osf

*Hymn

We Celebrate the Web of Life text: Alicia S. Carpenter (1930 - 1990) music: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)



During the hymn, all children are invited to follow Laura Evonne and Erica downstairs to the Perkins Room!

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COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

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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."

Sanctuary John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs (b. 1953) text adapted by Crawford Harvie / Buckles music arranged by Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

Open my heart to be a sanctuary All made holy, loved and true With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for you

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit

of this congregation,

And service is our gift.

This is our great covenant:

El amor es el espíritu

de nuestra congregación

Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.

Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:

dwell together in page

To dwell together in peace, Convivir en paz,

To speak our truths in love,
And to help one another.

Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,
Yayudarnos los unos a los otros.

*HYMN 15

The Lone Wild Bird

HOMILY

A Hummingbird, Lions, Tigers, A Bear, Elephants, A Dog, That Man, and UsRev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Animal Crackers, Vol. 1 text: Ogden Nash (1902 - 1971) music: Eric Whitacre (b. 1970)

I. The Panther
 The panther is like a leopard,
 Except it hasn't been peppered.
 Should you behold a panther crouch,
 Prepare to say Ouch.
 Better yet, if called by a panther,

Is something for which science has no name
I can think of nothing eerier
Than flying around with an unidentified glow on a person's posterior.

The firefly's flame

III.The Firefly

II. The Cow

Don't anther.

The cow is of bovine ilk; One end is moo, the other is milk.

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

We share half of the morning's offering with a community partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. Over 300 pledging members and friends also support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

OFFERTORY

Le Bestiaire Francis Poulenc (1899 - 1963)

I. Le dromadaire (The Dromedary)

II. Le chèvre du Thibet (The Goat from Tibet)

III. La sauterelle (The Grasshopper)

IV. Le dauphin (The Dolphin)

V. L'écrevisse (The Crab) VI. La carpe (The Carp)

Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano Nicholas Place, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

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