

# Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

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

## **PRELUDE**

Christmas Day in da Moarnin'/My Darling Asleep

*Traditional Scottish*

The Wexford Carol ..... *Traditional Irish*

Within a Mile of Dublin/The Morning Star/The Silver Spear

*Traditional Irish*

Karen Burciaga, fiddle

Daniel Meyers, uilleann pipes, whistle

Matthew Wright, bouzouki

## **INTROIT**

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

text: Anonymous, translation: *Theodore Baker* (1851 - 1934)

music: *Michael Praetorius* (1571 - 1621)

## **WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING**

*The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith*

**KINDLING THE CHANUKIAH** ..... The Lloyd-Farber Family

## **LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH ~ ADVENT 3**

Joy ..... The Tai-Dawson Family

## **GREETINGS**

### **\*HYMN 235**

Deck the Hall.....

### **\*DRESSING THE MITTEN TREE!**

Laura Evonne Steinman & Children's Religious Education program

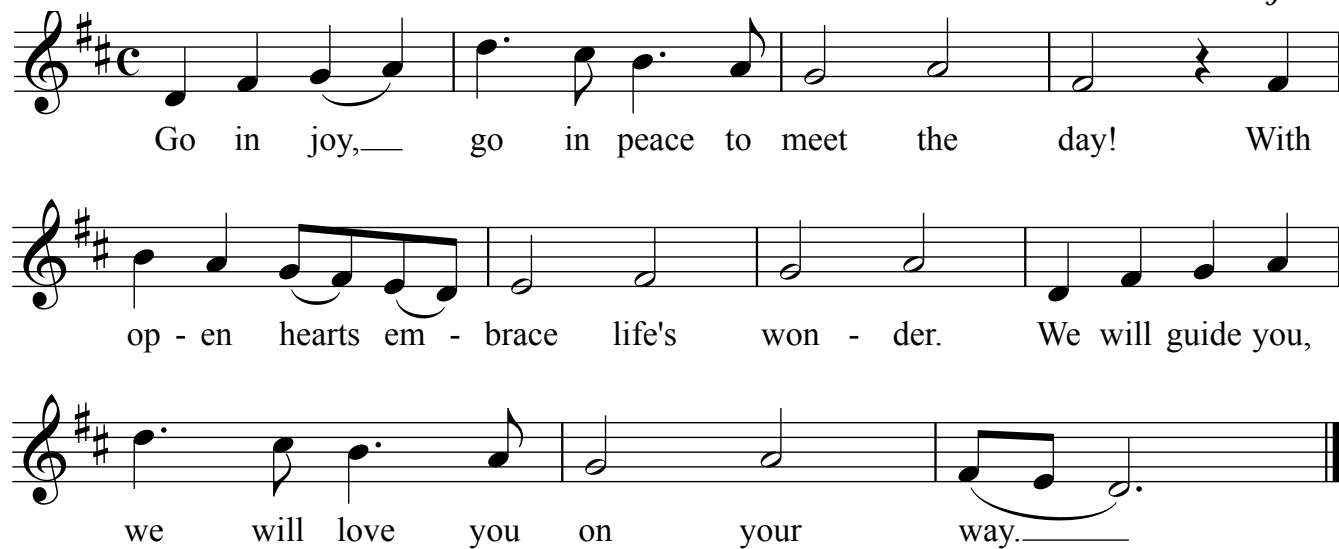
*All are welcome to bring their gifts to the Mitten Tree!*

Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree ..... *Johnny Marks* (1909 - 1985)

Nicholas Place, piano

## CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction ..... text: *Barbara Pescan*  
music: *Bart Bradfield*



Go in joy,— go in peace to meet the day! With  
op - en hearts em - brace life's won - der. We will guide you,  
we will love you on your way.

*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](http://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)

Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano

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:  
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.

## \*HYMN 225

O Come, O Come Emmanuel  
Julie Metcalf, violin

**SERMON** ..... Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie  
Making Room

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

## **ANTHEM**

Psallite, unigenito (Singt und klingt)

*Michael Praetorius (1571 - 1621)*

Karen Burciaga, violin

Daniel Meyers, recorder

Matthew Wright, lute

## **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. Thank you for your generosity!

## **OFFERTORY**

Gartan Mother's Lullaby ..... *Traditional Irish*

Fanny Power ..... *Turlough O'Carolan (1670 - 1738)*

Karen Burciaga, fiddle

Daniel Meyers, uilleann pipes, whistle

Matthew Wright, bouzouki

## **PARISH HIGHLIGHTS**

### **\*HYMN 226**

People Look East

### **\*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

### **\*RECESSIONAL** *(sung twice; please join in!)*

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**

The Piper in the Meadow Straying/Christmas Eve .... *Traditional Irish*

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## **Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)**

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If you have arrived today with a baby or small child, there is a nursery/playroom with the service piped in for your pleasure. Go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit, the room will be on your left before the stairs.

- Pre-schoolers: Meet Taan and Allie in the Hunnewell Chapel
- Kindergarten-2nd graders: Spirit Play Group ~ Festival of Lights  
Meet Lale and Jessica in the Perkins Room
- 3rd-6th graders: UU Superheros ~ Christmas Carols Meet with Sarah F. and Erica in the Carol Smith Room
- 7th graders and up: Youth Group ~ Friday Night Supper Painting  
Meet with Laura Evonne in the Parish Hall

If you are interested in volunteering with CRE or would like to learn more about our program, please email [cre@ascboston.org](mailto:cre@ascboston.org).