*CHORAL BENEDICTION (please join us!)

We Wish You a Merry Christmas trad. 16th cent. English Carol

We wish you a Merry Christmas (x3) and a Happy New year. Good tidings we bring to you and your kin.

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POSTLUDE

Christmas Don't Be Late Ross Bagdasarian (1919-1972) Molly Wood, piano

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

SPECIAL THANKS TO

Bay Windows

Arlington Street Church staff, members, and friends

Arlington Street Youth ~ Jamie Crawford, Jessye Crawford, Jess Dagg, Anna Cooleybeck, and Allie Dagg

Christmas Eve Extravaganza Costumes ~ Erin Frost, Deb Pontes, Laura Evonne Steinman, all the children and youth

Jingle Bells ~ Arlington Street Church Staff

Lead Ushers ~ Dave Erbe, Greg Haig, Dan Ivey, Philip Roberts, Ellen Spencer, and all of our ushers

Assistant Treasurers ~ Alma Antoniotti, Dave Erbe, Carol Fisher, Nancy George, Gail Jennes, Philip Roberts, Scott Schroeder, Ellen Spencer, and our Treasurer, Susie Nacco

Arlington Street Church Choir and Soloists

Polly Latham, Mickey Randazza, Martin Anderson for the pointsettias and beautiful greenery, and David Schuman for the exquisite pulpit wreath

YOU, for your radiant presence here this evening!

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

Welcome Visitors!

Thank you for coming this evening! We invite you to return on Sunday mornings at 11:00 for a wonderful hour — the Soul of Sunday. We gather for beautiful music, singing and silence, and a sermon from Rev. Kim. Arlington Street is home to spiritual seekers of many diverse backgrounds and religious traditions. You are truly welcome in this beloved spiritual community!

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 MEMBERS ARE:

Art Nava (chair) / Shane McBride (vice-chair)
Christine Curtiss / Greg Haig / Richard Marshall
Dan Moon / Deb Pontes / Ellen Payzant
Harlow Robinson

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Samuel Gloyd & Karl Paulnack (co-moderators) David McClain (clerk) / Susie Nacco (treasurer)

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 in the Perkins Room for CRE. There is an adjacent toddler room for parents with children ages 1-5. Fussy babies and their parents are invited to the Nursery just off the Hunnewell Chapel, where a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service.

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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MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, 2012

CHRISTMAS EVE BY CANDLELIGHT
5:00PM

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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Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, 2012

CHRISTMAS EVE BY CANDLELIGHT, 5:00 PM

PRELUDE

| Selections of Christmas Carols and Songs arr. Joe Della Penna |
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| Joe Della Penna, piano |
| Meditation, Op. 1 |
| Molly Wood, organ |

Introit

Angels from the Realms of Glory ... arr. *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980) text: *James Montgomery* (1771-1864); music: *Henry Smart* (1813-1879)

*PROCESSIONAL CAROL

O Come, All Ye Faithful arr. *Sir David Wilcocks* (b. 1919) O come, all ye faithful, We, too, with gladness,

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

CHALICE LIGHTING

Shine Out Upon the World adapted from *Rev. Elaine Beth Peresluha* Jamie Crawford, Jessye Crawford, Jess Dagg, Anna Cooleybeck, and Allie Dagg

*CAROL

We Three Kings text and music: Rev. John Henry Hopkins (1820-1891) arr. *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Verse One

We three kings of Orient are Bearing gifts we traverse afar. Field and fountain, moor and mountain, Following yonder star.

Chorus:

O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright, Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect Light.

Verse Two

Born a king on Bethlehem's plain, Gold I bring to crown Him again, King forever, ceasing never Over us all to reign.

Chorus

Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and Sacrifice. Alleluia, alleluia! Sounds through the earth and skies.

Chorus

CHRISTMAS EVE EXTRAVAGANZA

The Three Wise Guys Laura Evonne Steinman & the Children

*CAROL

Jingle Bells

Jingle bells! Jingle bells! Dashing through the snow Jingle all the way! In a one horse open sleigh, Oh, what fun it is to ride O'er the fields we go In a one horse open sleigh! Laughing all the way; Jingle bells! jingle bells! Bells on bobtail ring, Jingle all the way Making spirits bright; Oh, what fun it is to ride What fun it is to ride and sing A sleighing song tonight! In a one horse open sleigh

CANTICLE

O Holy Night music: Adolphe C. Adam (1803-1856) text: Placide Cappeau (1808-1877); arr. Mark David Buckles (b.1980) trans. John S. Dwight (1685-1759) Julie Gregorio, soprano; Emily Marvosh, mezzo-soprano

CHORAL RESPONSE

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing text: *Charles Wesley* (1707-1788) music: *Felix Mendelssohn* (1809-1847); arr. *Mark D. Buckles* (b. 1980)

SERMON

And Suddenly Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

Anthem

In the Lonely Midnight music: Elizabeth Alexander (b. 1962) text: Rev. Theodore Chickering Williams (1855-1915)

In the lonely midnight on the wintry hill, Shepherds heard the angels singing, "Peace, good will." Listen, O ye weary, to the angels' song, Unto to you the tidings of great joy belong.

Though in David's city angels sing no more, Love makes angel music on earth's darkest shore; Though no heavenly glory meet your wondering eyes, Love can make your dwelling bright as paradise. Though the Child of Mary, sent from heaven on high, In His manger cradle may no longer lie, Love is King forever, though the proud world scorn; If ye truly seek Him, Christ your King is born.

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

CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY AND 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! The savior 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

And wonders of his love...

The glories of his righteousness,

*Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice

Let Me Not Keep Christmas adapted from *Linda Felve*r Anna Cooleybeck, Jessye Crawford, Jess Dagg, Jamie Crawford, and Allie Dagg

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