

**Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist**

Boston, Massachusetts

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2022

7:00 PM & 9:00 PM

**PRELUDE**

See, Amid the Winter's Snow ..... *Edward Caswall* (1814 – 1878)

arrangement: *Noel Rawsthorne* (1929 – 2019)

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming ..... *Michael Praetorius* (1571 – 1621)

arrangement: *Diane Bish* (b. 1941)

A Shepherd's Lullaby ..... *Charles Callahan* (b. 1951)

from A Christmas Suite

Noel Anglais ..... *James Woodman* (b. 1957)

(Variations on "Greensleeves")

Mary Had a Baby ..... *Traditional*

arrangement: *Noel Rawsthorne* (1929 – 2019)

Noel X: Grand Jeu et Duo ..... *Louis-Claude Daquin* (1694 – 1772)

final variation: *Clarence Watters* (1902 – 1986)

Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

**\*PROCESSIONAL CAROL**

O Come, All Ye Faithful

music & text attributed: *John Francis Wade* (1711 – 1786)

Hyunju Jung, organ

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, O come let us adore him,  
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

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, O come let us adore him,  
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to G\*d! Glory in the Highest!  
O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him,  
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

**INTROIT** ..... Boston Gay Men’s Chorus  
Joy! ..... text & music: *Chad Weirick* (b. 1961)

Johnny Nichols Jr., conductor  
Yuhang Li, accompanist

**WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING**

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Senior Minister  
Rev. Beth Robbins, Executive Minister

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

**ANTHEM**

Sing We Now of Christmas ..... music: *Traditional French Carol*  
arrangement: *Mark Hayes* (b. 1953)

**READING**

Luke 2:1 - 20 ..... Jamie Crawford (7:00)  
Rev. Beth Robbins (9:00)

**CANTICLE ~ FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE**

Carol of the Bells ..... music: *Mykola Leontovych* (1877 – 1921)  
arrangement: *Heather Sorenson*  
text: *Peter J. Wilhousky* (1902 – 1978)

*Note: Written in 1914, based on the Ukrainian folk chant "Shchedryk," "Carol of the Bells" is traditionally sung by Ukrainians in celebration of the New Year. This is a beautiful piece with a complicated history. While Peter Wilhousky, a Ukrainian-American, helped to preserve this beloved tune at another time in history when Ukraine was under threat, he also profited from the copywriting and distribution of a piece of music that he did not write.*

**SERMON**

Joyful and Triumphant ..... Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

**SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER**

**ANTHEM**

Winter Song ..... *Sara Bareilles* (b. 1979) & *Ingrid Michaelson* (b. 1979)

Mark David Buckles, piano and vocals  
Julie Metcalf, violin and vocals

This is my winter song to you  
The storm is coming soon  
It rolls in from the sea  
My voice: a beacon in the night  
My words will be your light  
To carry you to me

Is love alive?  
Is love alive?  
Is love alive?

They say that things just cannot grow  
Beneath the winter snow  
Or so I have been told  
They say we're buried far  
Just like a distant star  
I simply cannot hold

Is love alive?  
Is love alive?  
Is love alive?

This is my winter song  
December never felt so wrong  
'Cause you're not where you belong  
Inside my arms

I still believe in summer days  
The seasons always change  
And life will find a way  
I'll be your harvester of light  
And send it out tonight  
So we can start again

Is love alive?  
Is love alive?  
Is love alive?

This is my winter song  
December never felt so wrong  
Because you're not where you belong  
Inside my arms

This is my winter song to you  
The storm is coming soon  
It rolls in from the sea  
My love: a beacon in the night  
My words will be your light  
To carry you to me

Is love alive? Is love alive?  
Is love alive? Is love alive?  
Love is alive, love is alive...  
Love is alive, love is alive...

## CHRISTMAS OFFERING

In the spirit of the season, please consider making a special gift tonight. Members of the Prudential Committee, Arlington Street's governing board, have seeded the Christmas offering with generous leadership gifts. Rev. Beth and Rev. Kim have both given \$500. Your contribution of any amount will be deeply appreciated, ensuring that Arlington Street Church continues to thrive in these extraordinary times. Thank you for your generosity! *Merry Christmas!*

### Ways to Give



1. Scan the QR code
2. Visit [tinyurl.com/GiveASC](https://tinyurl.com/GiveASC)
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4. Text the word "GIVE" to (617) 300-0509
5. Mail a check to Arlington Street Church  
351 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116

## OFFERTORY

Sisi Ni Moja (We Are One) ..... text & music: *Jacob Narverud* (b. 1986)

## CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY

Silent Night, Holy Night ..... text: *Josef Mohr* (1792 – 1848)  
translation: *John Freeman Young* (1820 – 1885)  
music: *Franz Gruber* (1787 – 1863)

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,  
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,  
Christ the savior is born.

Silent night, holy night,  
Son of G\*d, love's pure light,  
Radiant beams from thy holy face, and  
With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord at thy birth,  
Jesus, Lord at thy birth.

**\*CAROL**

Joy to the World! ..... text: *Isaac Watts* (1674 – 1748)  
tune: *G.F. Handel* (1685 – 1759)  
music: *Lowell Mason* (1792 – 1872)

Joy to the world! The Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her king;  
Let every heart prepare him room  
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven, 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, repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

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

**\*BENEDICTION**

The Work of Christmas ..... *Rev. Howard Thurman* (1899 – 1981), adapted

**CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Everything Possible ..... *Rev. Fred Small* (b. 1952)  
arrangement: *Willi Zwozdesky* (b. 1955)

**POSTLUDE**

Fugue in D Major, BWV 532 ..... *J.S. Bach* (1685 – 1750)  
Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

*\* Out of respect for Arlington Street Church members and friends who are Jewish,  
we follow the tradition of not spelling out G\*d's name*

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**WELCOME TO ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH**

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We're thrilled to welcome you to our Christmas Eve candle lighting service!  
Arlington Street opens its doors to all spiritual seekers of good heart.  
Every Sunday morning, we gather at 11:00 for beautiful music and an inspiring  
message from Rev. Kim. We hope you'll come back again soon!

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## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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As we gather this evening, we acknowledge that Arlington Street Church occupies the ancestral homeland of the Massachusett. By making this land acknowledgement, we recognize, honor, and affirm the sovereignty of all first nations people.

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## SPECIAL THANKS

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Boston Gay Men's Chorus  
Johnny Nichols Jr., Conductor  
Yuhang Li, Accompanist

Mark David Buckles, Director of Music  
Rodger Clinton Vine, Organist in Residence  
Hyunju Jung, Collaborative Pianist and Organist  
Julie Metcalf, Violin

Tech Team

Art Nava, Frank Lee, Kem Morehead, Kevin Tyrrell,  
Michael Fisher, Rich Abreu, Sandy Dixon

Philip Roberts, Bill Briggs, and their team of ushers and greeters

Liz Teixeira, Treasurer

Rev. George Whitehouse and the team of bell ringers

Robert Holley, for creating the exquisite sanctuary decorations

Kevin Tyrrell, Lead Elf, and a host of elves for "bringing in the greens"

Jon Andersen-Miller, Darrell Waters, and Queen Cheryl for beautification

Judy Chambliss and Queen Cheryl for preparing tonight's candles

Bruce Dallaire and Tom Anderson

for packaging and mailing candles to our Zoomers

Arlington Street Church staff, members, and friends

**You, for your radiant presence here this evening!**