

**Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist**

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2022

ADVENT II. PEACE

**PRELUDE**

Long Long Ago ..... *Yuriko Nakamura* (b. 1958)

He Is Our Peace ..... *Kandela Groves*

Hyunju Jung, piano

**WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Senior Minister

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

**INTROIT**

Love Is the Spirit ..... music: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

text: *Arlington Street Church's Affirmation and Covenant*

Daniel Rosensweig, tenor

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.

**GREETINGS** ..... Rebecca Reid, Worship Coordinator

**KINDLING THE ADVENT WREATH ~ ADVENT II. PEACE**

The Peace of Wild Things ..... *Wendell Berry* (b. 1934)

**\*HYMN 235**

Deck the Hall ..... text: *Thomas Oliphant* (1799 – 1873)

music: *16th Century Welsh Carol*

*~ in honor of Elf Jefe (aka Kevin Tyrrell) and his elves ~*

Deck the halls with boughs of holly

Fa la la la la, la la la la

'Tis the season to be jolly

Fa la la la la, la la la la

Don we now our gay apparel

Fa la la la la, la la la la

Troll the ancient Yuletide carol

Fa la la la la, la la la la

See the blazing yule before us  
Fa la la la la, la la la la  
Strike the harp and join the chorus  
Fa la la la la, la la la la  
Follow me in merry measure  
Fa la la la la, la la la la  
While I tell of Yuletide treasure  
Fa la la la la, la la la la

Fast away the old year passes  
Fa la la la la, la la la la  
Hail the new, and raise your glasses  
Fa la la la la, la la la la  
Sing we joyous all together  
Fa la la la la, la la la la  
Heedless of the wind and weather  
Fa la la la la, la la la la

### **COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY**

Sanctuary ..... *John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs (b. 1953)*  
adaptation: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*  
arrangement: *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

*To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service, please submit it in advance [here](#). During the service, candles are welcome in the Zoom chat.*

### **AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT**

Love is the spirit	El amor es el espíritu
of this congregation,	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**

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

May I be filled with loving kindness. May I be well.  
May I be peaceful, and at ease, and may I be happy.

May you...

May we...

May all...

## SERMON

Enlightenment to Follow ..... Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

## ANTHEM

Ubi Caritas ..... text: *Paulinus II of Aquileia*, attrib. (c. 726 – 802)  
music: *Ola Gjeilo* (b. 1978)

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est  
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor  
Exsulemus, et in ipso jucundemur  
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum  
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero

Where charity and love are, there is G\*d  
The love of Christ has gathered us into one  
Let us exult in him and be joyful  
Let us revere and let us love the living G\*d  
And from a sincere heart let us love each other

## OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

These are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary generosity. At the top of the pandemic, we shut down the sanctuary and committed to continue to pay our staff ... with no idea when we might reopen. Without missing a beat, our Tech Team pivoted to a virtual format — and so did we all. As the virus raged, we nourished a dream of the day when we might once again reopen the Great Doors and made wildly expensive upgrades to our sound system, purchased technology to support a hybrid service format, and readily agreed to make it available to the community partners who share our mission and this beautiful space. And all the while, Arlington Street members and friends have given with open, grateful hands.

Today, we invite you to be part of Arlington Street's pandemic story — a story of devotion, innovation, and transformational generosity. To make your gift,



please scan the QR code; visit [www.tinyurl.com/GiveASC](http://www.tinyurl.com/GiveASC); or text the word GIVE to (617) 300-0509. If you're ready to give regularly, Liz Teixeira ([treasurer@ascboston.org](mailto:treasurer@ascboston.org)) would be delighted to assist you with setting up automatic payments. We are so grateful! *Thank you!*

## DECEMBER'S SHARE THE PLATE: EVERYTOWN FOR GUN SAFETY

Everytown For Gun Safety ([Everytown.org](http://Everytown.org)) is the largest gun violence prevention organization in the United States. A coalition comprising Mayors Against Illegal Guns, Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, and survivors of gun violence, Everytown advocates for increased penalties for gun trafficking, education on responsible gun ownership, and closing legislative loopholes that allow gun sales without background checks. In addition, they lobby for gun control legislation on state and federal levels and provide support services to survivors of gun violence. To make your gift, please scan the QR code above; visit [www.tinyurl.com/GiveASC](http://www.tinyurl.com/GiveASC); or text the word SHARE to (617) 300-0509. *Thank you for your generosity!*

## OFFERTORY

Songbird ..... *Christine McVie (1943 – 2022)*  
from *Fleetwood Mac*

Hannah Shanefield, soprano

~ Christine McVie: *Presente!* ~

For you, there'll be no more crying  
For you, the sun will be shining  
And I feel that when I'm with you  
It's alright, I know it's right

To you, I'll give the world  
To you, I'll never be cold  
'Cause I feel that when I'm with you  
It's alright, I know it's right

And the songbirds are singing,  
Like they know the score  
And I love you, I love you, I love you  
Like never before

And I wish you all the love in the world  
But most of all, I wish it from myself

And the songbirds keep singing  
Like they know the score  
And I love you, I love you, I love you  
Like never before, like never before,  
Like never before

## PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

### \*HYMN

Try a Little Kindness ..... *Curt Sapaugh and Bobby Austin (1933 – 2002)*  
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)*

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

If you see your sibling standing by the road  
With a heavy load from the seeds they sowed  
And if you see your kindred falling by the way  
Just stop and say, "You're going the wrong way"

You've got to try a little kindness  
Show a little kindness  
Shine your light for everyone to see  
And if you try a little kindness  
Then you'll overlook the blindness  
Of narrow-minded people on their narrow-minded streets

Don't walk around the down and out  
Lend a helping hand instead of doubt  
And the kindness that you show every day  
Will help someone along their way

You've got to try a little kindness  
Show a little kindness  
Shine your light for everyone to see  
And if you try a little kindness  
Then you'll overlook the blindness  
Of narrow-minded people on their narrow-minded streets

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

For our benediction, you are invited to put your hands over your heart in Namaste

*I bow to the Divine in You.*

### **RECESSIONAL**

Where You Go (I Will Go) ..... *Shoshana Jedwab* (b. 1964)  
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Where you go I will go, beloved  
Where you go I will go  
Where you go I will go, beloved  
Where you go I will go  
For your people are my people  
Your people are mine  
Your people are my people  
Your divine, my divine

### **POSTLUDE**

Happiness ..... *Kyungmin Son*

Hyunju Jung, piano

\* 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



#### **Flowers on the High Pulpit**

Would you like to make a gift of flowers for the entire congregation to enjoy on a Sunday morning? You can make your dedication in memory, in honor, or in celebration of someone or something you love. You can have flowers delivered, bring your own (a minimum of two dozen flowers is perfect for our huge space), or a member of the staff will purchase them (~\$50). Please email our congregational administrator, Jess ([JAcosta@ASCBoston.org](mailto:JAcosta@ASCBoston.org)), to claim your date! *Thank you!*