

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, 2014

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

PRELUDE

Introduction and Passacaglia *Max Reger* (1873-1916)
Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, organ

INTROIT

Angels from the Realms of Glory

text: *James Montgomery* (1771-1864)

music: *Henry Smart* (1813-1879)

arr. *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH ~ ADVENT 2: PEACE

Peace Is *Dan and Eteline Brotman*

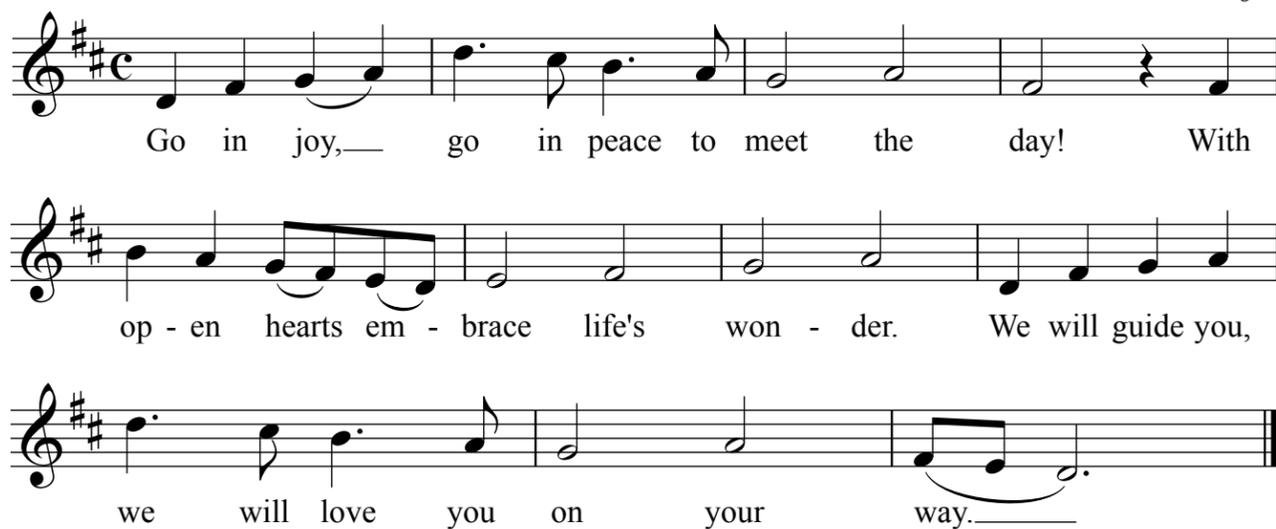
*HYMN 226

People, Look East

GREETINGS

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 welcomed to
Children's Religious Education!*

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, by clicking on "Worship."

Some of us pray with words, some of us pray through action, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and to one another. As you feel called, please join us in singing the chorus of *Healing Prayer*.

Healing Prayer music: *Nick Page* (b. 1952)

text: *African American Spiritual "Balm in Gilead"* and *Nick Page*
Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; Julie Gregorio, soprano

The image shows musical notation for the song 'Healing Prayer'. It consists of two staves: 'Drone' and 'Melody'. Both staves are in 3/4 time and have a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The Drone staff contains a single melodic line with a long note value. The Melody staff contains a more complex line with a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics 'We pray We' are written below the Drone staff, with a long line connecting 'We' and 'We'.

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 236

O Thou Joyful Day arr. *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

SERMON Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie
Telling Secrets

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Jesus, bleibet meine Freude (Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring)

Chorale from Advent Cantata BWV 147

text: *Martin Janus* (1620-1682)

music: *Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685-1750)

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

O die vrolike (O Thou Joyful Day)

Johann Gottfried Herders (1744 -1803)

Berg River Choir

Sherlock Fortuin, conductor

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

Tiffany Stained Glass Window Campaign Polly Latham

*HYMN 235

Deck the Hall

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*CHORAL BENEDICTION *(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

Fantasia in F Major *Giovanni Battista Polleri (1855-1923)*
Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, organ

*Following this morning's service, Rev. Kim looks forward to greeting you
at the great doors. Mark David Buckles invites those interested
to join him in listening to the postlude.*

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Today, children and youth will be gathering in the Perkins Room to make scarves for the Mitten Tree. Next Sunday, we will decorate our mitten tree with gifts of woolens for our Friday Night Supper Program guests.

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