

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD, 2014

PRELUDE

Clair de lune *Claude Debussy* (1862-1918)

Fantaisie-Impromptu *Frédéric Chopin* (1810-1849)

Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, piano

INTROIT

The First Principle *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

We believe in the inherent worth and dignity of every being.

Marco Jordao, tenor; Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

GREETINGS

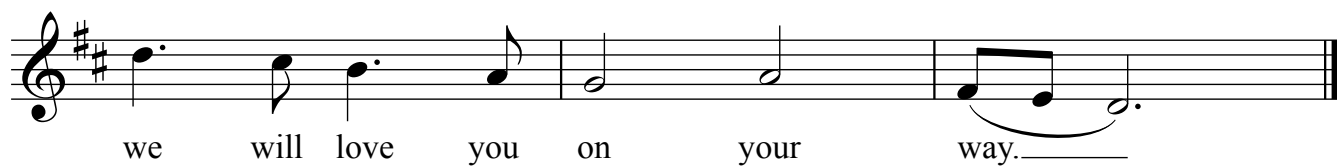
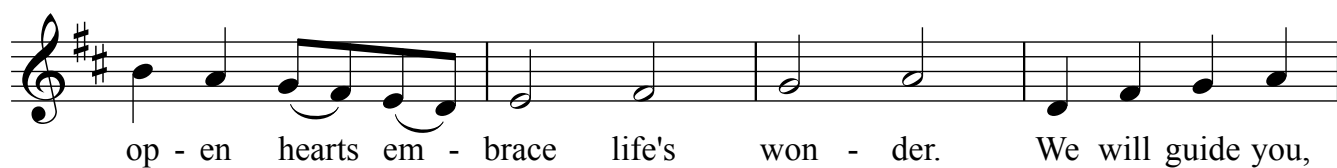
*HYMN 153

Oh, I Woke Up This Morning

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction text: *Barbara Pescan*

music: *Bart Bradfield*



*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, 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; Marco A. Jordao, tenor

The image shows a musical score for 'Healing Prayer'. It consists of two staves. The top staff is labeled 'Drone' and the bottom staff is labeled '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 series of quarter notes: B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat. The Melody staff contains a series of notes: B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat. The lyrics 'We pray' are written under the Drone staff, and 'We' is written under the Melody staff.

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 159**

This Is My Song

SERMON Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie
Personal Best

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks text: *Psalms 42:1-3*
music: *Herbert Howells* (1892-1983)

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

Prelude in E-flat Major (1916) *Julius Chaloff* (1892-1979)
Rodger Clinton Vine, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

***HYMN 348**

Guide My Feet

***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

Finale from Fantasia (1977) *John Weaver* (b. 1937)
Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

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

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Today, all age groups will meet together in the Perkins Room. We will all be working on a Broadway-themed project for Indulge, Arlington Street's annual fundraising gala on March 1st.

If you are new to Arlington Street and would like to learn more about how you or your family can become involved with CRE, let's all eat lunch together in the Perkins Room after the service! You can also email Erica at elong@ascboston.org for more information about the program, and to receive the weekly CRE email newsletter.

Share the Plate

We have begun a new spiritual practice of generosity at Arlington Street: *Share the Plate!* Fifty percent of the money in the collection plate this morning will go to Renewal House, our Urban Ministry's shelter for women and children escaping domestic violence.

Mark David Buckles is in India on a Unitarian Universalist choir pilgrimage! Today, we thank Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, Marco Jordao, and Rodger Clinton Vine for their beautiful music!