

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH, 2017

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 end of greetings.

PRELUDE

Dream of the Forgotten Child *David Lanz* (b. 1950)

Our Prayer, from *The Color Purple* *Brenda Russell* (b. 1949),
Allee Willis (b. 1947), and *Stephen Bray* (b. 1956)

Linli Wang, piano

INTROIT

Ozi v'Zimrat Yah text: *Psalms 118:14, Exodus 15:2*
music: *Rabbi Shefa Gold*

Rev. Joanna Lubkin, mezzo soprano

Ozi v'zimrat Yah; Vay'hi li liy'shua.

My strength (balanced) with the Song of God will be my salvation.

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith

*HYMN 1000

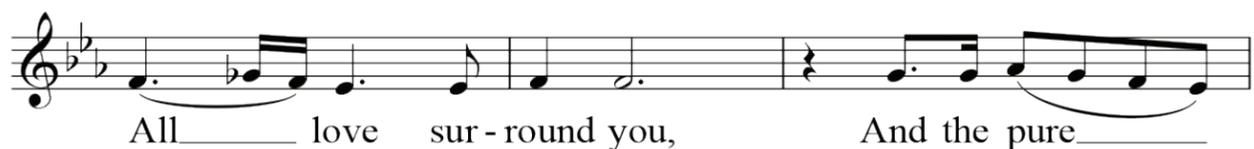
Morning Has Come

*GREETINGS

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Longtime Sun *Mike Heron* (b. 1942)

from *A Very Cellular Song* arranged: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)



*At this time, all children are welcome to join
the Children's Religious Education program!*

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary *John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs* (b. 1953)
text adapted: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*
music arranged: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano

Open my heart to be a sanctuary
All made holy, loved and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you

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.
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*HYMN 1002

Comfort Me

SERMON

Strengthening Our Spirits Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

How Long text and music: *Pepper Choplin* (b. 1957)

How long, how long 'til this world is free from suffering?
How long, how long 'til blessed peace will reign?
How long, how long 'til the pow'r of love will come
And heaven's will be done? How long, how long?

How long, how long 'til every gun is silenced?
How long, how long 'til hate and war shall end;
'Til every battle's thunder will fade to blessed peace
And sounds of war will cease? How long, how long?

Press on, press on, let faith and hope sustain you.
Press on, press on, keep working for the day
When all of God's children will live in peace as one.
Until that new day comes, press on, press on.

Send me, send me to work for the kingdom.
Send me, send me to go and live for peace.
Until the love of heaven to earth shall descend
And peace will reign again, send me, send me.

Press on, we'll press on. We will sing a peaceful song!
But still we're praying on, how long, how long?

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

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 288 years, the abundant support of our community has allowed Arlington Street Church to remain a beacon for liberal religious values in downtown Boston. Your gifts in the Sunday plate sustain both the church and the



larger community – half of the offering is shared with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. As a convenient option, you may text the word GIVE to 617-300-0509 or scan the QR code.

Thank you for your stewardship and support!

OFFERTORY

Beautiful Dawn *Ruth Moody (b. 1975)*

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

Julie Metcalf, violin and vocals

Take me to the breaking of a beautiful dawn
Take me to the place where we came from
Take me to the end so I can see the start
There's only one way to mend a broken heart

Take me to the place where I don't feel so small
Take me where I don't need to stand so tall
Take me to the edge so I can fall apart
There's only one way to mend a broken heart

Take me where love isn't up for sale
Take me where our hearts are not so frail
Take me where the fire still owns its spark
There's only one way to mend a broken heart

Teach me how to see when I close my eyes
Teach me to forgive and to apologize
Show me how to love in the darkest dark
There's only one way to mend a broken heart

Take me where the angels are close on hand
Take me where the ocean meets the sky and the land
Show me to the wisdom of the evening star
There's only one way to mend a broken heart

Take me to the place where I feel no shame
Take me where the courage doesn't need a name
Learning how to cry is the hardest part
There's only one way to mend a broken heart

Take me to the place where I don't feel so small
Take me where I don't need to stand so tall
Take me to the edge so I can fall apart
There's only one way to mend a broken heart

Take me to the breaking of a beautiful dawn
Take me to the place where we came from
Take me to the end so I can see the start
There's only one way to mend a broken heart

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN

Life Calls Us On text: *Rev. Kendyl Gibbons* (b. 1955)
music: *Rev. Jason Shelton* (b. 1972)



1. Here in rev - 'rence now we ga - ther _____ For the bles - sings we have
2. Words and deeds of those be - fore us _____ Wa - ken here to keep us
3. Loy - al guides in love and du - ty _____ Lead us with a trust - ed
4. We have shared a ra - diant hour _____ When the truth has made us



known, _____ With a pledge to one an - o - ther _____
strong; _____ Blend our voi - ces in the chor - us _____
light; _____ Blest are they whose in - ward beau - ty _____
free, _____ And the spir - it's gra - cious pow - er _____



That we jour - ney not a - lone. _____ Joy and sor - row make us
Of cre - a - tion's liv - ing song. _____ Cour - age bids us lift our
Shows the path of truth and right. _____ Hon - or is their earth - ly
Dreamed of good that yet shall be. _____ Bright the path be - fore us



wise, _____ Kin to all that lives and dies; Love calls us
eyes _____ Up - ward to the shin - ing skies; Hope calls us
prize; _____ By their work we re - a - lize, Faith calls us
lies _____ Joy - ful pil - grims now we rise; Life calls us



on, _____ Love calls us _____ on. _____
on, _____ Hope calls us _____ on. _____
on, _____ Faith calls us _____ on. _____
on! _____ Life calls us _____ on! _____

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*RECESSIONAL (sung twice; please join in!)

When You Walk From Here text: *Linnea Good*
music: *Tom Witt*, arranged: *Mark David Buckles*

*When you walk from here, When you walk from here,
Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, and with God's humble care.*

POSTLUDE

Light *David Nevue* (b. 1965)
Linli Wang, piano

(continued)

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, *Robert Holley*
Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*
Lead Greeter, *Queen Cheryl*
Lead Usher, *Kevin Tyrrell*
Worship Coordinator, *Melissa Dlugolecki*
Assistant Treasurers, *Nancy George & Kevin Tyrrel*

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

If you have arrived with a baby or small child, welcome! There is a nursery/playroom with the service piped in for your listening pleasure. Go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit and cross through the chapel. The nursery is on your left before the stairs.

Each Sunday, CRE groups begin with the sharing of sorrows and joys.

CRE Group	Pre-K (2- 5yrs)	Spirit Play (K-2nd grade)	UU Super Heroes (3rd-5th grade)
Location	Hunnewell Chapel	Perkins Room	Carol Smith Room
Lesson	<i>The Very Hungry Caterpillar</i>	Fast From, Feast On	Ash Wednesday

Coming of Age (COA) and older youth are welcome to help in CRE or stay in the service for Rev. Kim's sermon.

February Share the Plate: Renewal House

Renewal House, a program of the Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry, has provided temporary emergency shelter and advocacy services to more than 1,000 individuals and families escaping domestic violence since 1980. Renewal House was one of the first domestic violence shelters in the state to provide shelter for male as well as female survivors and is sought out by other agencies for its expertise in attending to the spiritual needs of survivors. Renewal House works closely with other programs that serve the LGBTQI communities, as well as those that serve elders and individuals with disabilities, to support these under-served populations.

Among its many programs, Renewal House offers a 24-hour hotline, bilingual support groups and pastoral counseling, English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, job training, and community outreach education. Thank you for your generous support!

Urban Church Awareness

Remember to be mindful of your belongings, and throughout the week, please help to keep the outside doors to the church secure.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

All staff members may be reached through the church office

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